

Georgia } In the Name of God, Amen.
Forsyth County } I, Balus Mayfield, of said and County, being of advanced age,
and knowing that I must shortly depart this life, deem it right
and proper, both as respects my family and myself, that I should make
a disposition of the property with which a kind Providence has blessed me,
so therefore make this my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all
others heretofore made by me.

Item 1. I desire and direct, that my body be buried in a decent and Christian-
like manner, suitable to my circumstances and condition in life.
My soul, I trust shall return to rest with God who gave it, and hope for
eternal salvation through the merits and atonement of the Blessed
Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, whose religion I have professed and as
firmly trust I have enjoyed for a number of years.

Item 2. I desire and direct, that all my just debts be paid without delay
by my Executors hereinafter appointed, as I am unwilling my cred-
itors should be delayed in their rights - especially as there is no
necessity for delay.

Item 3. I desire and direct, that all moneys arising from the sale of
surplus crops and from the collection of debts, be applied to the
payment of my just debts, and if said money be insufficient,
for the payment of my said debts, then my Executors are authorized
to dispose of such real estate, at private sale, as they may think
proper to raise sufficient money for the payment of said debts.

Item 4. I desire and direct, that all my remaining property be left to
my beloved wife, Harriet W. during her natural life or widowhood,
and in ~~the~~ event of her intermarriage or of her natural death,
that my remaining property be divided among my children then liv-
ing, after deducting the amounts each has received.

Item 5. I desire and direct, that the amount of two hundred dollars
(\$200⁰⁰) be deducted from my son James H. share, none of my other
children having received any thing.

Item 6. I hereby constitute and appoint my beloved wife, Harriet W.
Executrix and my worthy friend, Andrew L. Keith executor of this
my last will and Testament. This July 14th 1882.

(Signed)

Balus Mayfield

Signed, sealed, declared and published by Balus Mayfield
as his last Will and Testament, in the presence of

Subscribers, who subscribed our names hereto, in the presence of
said Testator and each other. This July 14th 1882.

(Signed)

J. Coleman Mingo
W. E. Mabry
J. H. Crow
J. S. Conner

Filed in office for Probate in Common form Oct 2^d 1882
(Signed) H. M. Hawkins

Georgia }
Forsyth County } Court of Ordinary October Term 1882. Ordinary

Personally came into open Court at the October
Term thereof 1882. Harriet W. Mayfield and Andrew L. Rieth,
who produce in open Court the within Will and depose and
say, that to the best of their knowledge and belief it is the true
last Will and Testament of Valus Mayfield deceased
Sworn to and subscribed before me.

in open Court October 2^d 1882. } (Signed) A. L. Rieth

(Signed) H. M. Hawkins Only } " C. H. Mayfield
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Georgia } Court of Ordinary November Term 1882.

Forsyth County } Personally appeared in open Court, W. E. Mabry, witness to the
within will, who being duly sworn says that he saw Valus
Mayfield the Testator sign the within Will, that deponent, J. Coleman Mingo,
J. H. Crow, and J. S. Conner signed said Will as subscribing witnesses with
deponent, all in the presence of each other, and in the presence, and
at the request of the Testator, and that at the time of signing the same
the Testator was of sound and disposing ^{memory}, and freely and voluntarily
executed said Will. Sworn to and subscribed in open Court
Nov 6th 1882. (Signed) H. M. Hawkins;

Ordry & Wigned W. E. Mabry

Georgia } I do solemnly swear that this writing contains the true last will
Forsyth County } of the within named Valus Mayfield decd. so far as I know or
believe, and that I will well and truly execute the same in ac-
cordance with the Laws of said State. So help me God.

Sworn to and subscribed in open

Court November 6th 1882.

(Signed) C. H. Rieth

Witness H. M. Hawkins Ordinary

" Harriet W. Mayfield