

Test Foreword

mind whatever within the knowledge of
Witness. Testator's mind was clear and his in-
creasing good when the will was executed. Witness
and Testator several times, some time after the
will was executed, and at times found Testat-
or's mind wandering & flights, were temporary
affirming and passing away almost in a mo-
ment, and even this was perhaps some months
after the will was executed.

Witnessed and attested at ~~Hamden~~ ^{Hamden} N. J. Will
and described before

us at Camp McDowell

Barb County Georgia

April 4th 1862

Amey C. Kellogg Comm. Seal
J. C. McHenry Comm. Seal

Having been of ordinary May Term 1862
the last Will and Testament of Almon
Hutchins, having been procured by Nathan
& Hutchins one of the nominated Executors and
promised in solemn form, it is ordered that the same
be Recorded by the Clerk of this Court.

A. Barker Ordinary

Witness M. J. Will.

State of Georgia } In the name of God
Forsyth County } Amey C. Kellogg

I William J. Merritt, of
Said County and State, Being now about
to leave Said County and State as a volun-
teer in defence of my Country the Conf-
ederate States of America, I deem it right
and proper both as respects myself and
kindred that I should make a disposition
of the property with which kind Providence
has blessed me Do therefore make this

Brought forward

my last will and Testament revoking all
all others heretofore made by me.

1st I desire and direct; Should I fall at the hands
of the enemy or die a natural death while
absent; that my body be brought back to Forsyth
County Ga and entered at Outlook Church near
my Father's residence; in a Christian like and
decent manner in accordance with my circum-
stances;

2^d I desire and direct that all my just debts
be paid immediately by my Executor herein after
named

3^d I will and bequeath all my property to my
beloved parents Josiah & Elizabeth Merritt during
their and either of their natural life; and then to be
equally and legally divided between the general heirs
my Brothers and Sisters; if in life if not their gen-
eral and legal heirs;

4th I constitute and appoint my beloved Brother
John W Merritt my Executor of this my last will
and Testament; This March 7th 1862.

William G. Merritt

Signed Sealed and published by the said
William G. Merritt as his last will and testament
in presence of us the subscribers who subscrib-
ed our names hereto in presence of said
testator at his special instance and request
March 7th 1862.

Young P. Pool
Thos J. Pilgrism
Charles R. Davis
William D. Bently

We do solemnly swear that this writing contains the
true last will of the within named William G. Mer-
ritt deceased so far as I know or believe and
that I will well and truly execute the same

Brought forward

praying first the debts and then the leg-
acies contained in the said will as far as
his goods and chattels will therunto extend
and the Law charge me and that I will make
a true and perfect Inventory of all such goods
and chattels so help me God

John M. Merrieto

Sworn to and subscribed in open court.
12th January 1863.

The Barker Ordinary

Mills Wm E Will

State of Georgia In the presence of gods Amen
Joseph County

I William E. Mills of said County
and State, being now about to leave the home
for the purpose of going into the service of my
Country, the Confederate States of America as a
Soldier, and knowing I will be subject to death
both by cause of Nature and at the hands of
the Enemy; deem it right and proper both as
respects myself and Kindred, that I make a
Disposition of the Property which I do possess
me. Be it known that I

I hereby make this my last will and Testa-
ment, revoking all others heretofore made
by me;

Item 1. I desire and Direct that if I should
fall upon the Battle field or die of natu-
al death, that my body be brought back
to Joseph County, Ga. and interred at the
White Memorial Baptist Church in said
County, and I Direct that Christian like
Funeral services be given to my circumstances;

Item 2. I Desire and Direct That all my Just
Debts be paid immediately by my Executors
hereafter named and appointed.

Brought forward

I the Testator made in his presence I saw A. H. Brown and A. H. Christ sign the will also in the presence and at the request of the Testator, and I considered the Testator to be of sound mind and disposing memory at the time.

Due to duty I do not know anything more in regard to the matter than I have already stated.
J. M. Brown

Probate of Mary Minette's Will

Georgia
Forsyth County } Clerk of Superior Court
January 1864

Thomas J. Polgier Charles B. Davis and William D. Bentley three of subscribing witnesses to the last Will and Testament of William J. Bennett late of said County Deceased dated 7th March 1863, being P. Cool the other witness not being present, came and appeared in open Court and being duly sworn say that they and each of them said William J. Bennett on the day aforesaid signed said Will and declared said instrument to be his last Will and Testament that they and each of them subscribed the same as witnesses at the same time in his presence and at his request, and in the presence of each other, and they further say that said Testator was at the time of said disposing mind and memory and well knew what he was doing and doing the same of his own will, without any undue influence or coercion.

Thomas J. Polgier
Charles B. Davis
William D. Bentley
in open Court 12 January 1864.