

18 Georgia Court of Ordinary Sept
Franklin County Term 1842

Personally appeared
in open Court Robert A. Reddick and
John M. Bagwell who being duly sworn
deposeth & saith that they saw the witness
named Benjamin Harrison sign
and seal the within will for the purpose
ofes therein mentioned when in his
proper mind that they deponents
Subscribed the same as witnesses and
Saw Thomas King do so likewise
Sworn to in open Court

5th Sept 1842

Robert Reddick

Test

J. M. M. Bagwell

Thomas King

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Georgia In the name of God amen
Franklin County, Elizabeth Payne of the County
and State aforesaid, being weak in body but of
perfect mind and memory, and knowing that
it is appointed for all to die, do make and
ordain the following to be my last will and
Testament. First of all I recommend my
soul to God who gave it and my body to the
earth from whence it came to be buried
in a decent Christian burial at the discretion
of my Executors and friends.

Secondly I give and bequeath unto my Brother David Payne
all the lands I may be possessed of at my death
out of which he is to pay all the demands
(if any) he or any of his family may have
against me at that time.

Thirdly I give and bequeath unto my three nieces

to wife Rutha Ann Chatham, Mary Amanda
Chatham, and Nancy Mills, daughters of two
of my sisters but Rutha & Polly Chatham &
of my Sister Nancy Bennett, one bed and
furniture each including Sheets and Curtains
the said Rutha & Chatham to have Choice of
said beds & furniture, This is in addition to
what I give them here after —
Worthy. It is my will that my sister Nancy Bennett
(provided she is in life at my decease if not
her daughters) and the daughters of my late
sisters Rutha & Polly Chatham shall have
all the balance of my wearing and Household
Clothing of every description whatever, to be
equally divided between them —
It is my will that my negroes together with
all the balance of my estate of every description
(not otherwise disposed of) be sold at
public sale by my Executors, upon such Credit
as they may deem most advisable, and when
the money is collected, to be divided among
my Brothers and Sisters and their heirs as
follows — To my Brother Mayfield H Payne
one fifth part. To the Children of two Sisters
Rutha & Polly Chatham ~~see~~^{each} one fifth
part — To the Children of my Brother Thomas
Payne toward, John H Payne, William Payne
Caroline Wheler, & Anna Fegers & Gary ann
etgros one tenth part, and the other two
toward Oliver J Payne & Zeb a dish & Payne
one tenth part, the part coming to the two
last named Children to be paid my Brother
Thomas Payne in trust for them (provided
he is in life at that time, if not the seven
last named Children are to have the
one fifth part to be equally divided
between them ~~and~~ ^{to} the Children of

79 my Sister & Nancy Bennett one fifth part
except one hundred dollars which is to be
paid by my Executors to my Said Sister & Nancy
Bennett at such times as they may think her
meritress may most require aid, this one
hundred dollars to be free from the care
or benefit in any way of her Husband Cooper
Bennett, and if she should die before she
receives the above sum it is to go to the Children
equally. It is my will that when the amount of the
legacies as stated in the foregoing section
shall amount to the sum of Two hundred
and fifty dollars each, that my Brothers
David Payne shall come in for an equal
share for all over that amount —
Lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my two
Brothers Mansfield A. Payne & David Payne
Executors of this my last will and Testament,
In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my
hand and seal this 30th day of April 1839
Signed sealed & acknowledged
in presence of

Thos King

Elizabeth Payne

Robert A. Retal

Garrison Freeman

Georgia County of Ordinary & Town Term 1842
From this County Personally appeared in open Court
Robert A. Retal who being duly sworn deposeth and
saith that he saw the within named Elizabeth Payne
now deceased sign & seal the within as her last will & Testament
when in her proper mind & that he deponent subscribed
the same as a witness and saw Thomas King &
Garrison Freeman do so likewise
Sworn to this 3. J. Town 1842

Thos King B.C.O.

R. A. Retal

Recorded 10th Nov 1842