

Georgia I John Burton of the State of Franklin County aforesaid being in a low State of health but in sound mind and memory do make Constitution and ordain this my last will and Testament in manner and form to wit

First I command my soul to God who gave it and my body to a decent burial at the discretion of my friends and as to my Estate both Real and Personal to be disposed of as follows

Item 1<sup>st</sup> I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Mary Burton five Negroes, viz, James, Lue, Solomon, Mary & Billy also the house and plantation on which I now reside with all the woodland belonging to the said tract containing four hundred acres more or less three choice horses with the wagon and yoke of oxen and stock of all kinds the plantation tools house hold and kitchen furniture together with the corn and fodder and stock of provisions that may be on hand at my death and the next year Crop of corn &c to have and enjoy during her natural life and at her death to be disposed of as my other property which is as follows

Item second After all my just debts are paid the remainder of my property both real and personal to be equally divided among my children & grand children in the following manner

Item third I Give and bequeath unto my grand son Benjamin O' Burton his Father's distributive share an equal part with the rest of my Children

Item fourth I Give and bequeath unto the heirs of Phoebe Ayres her distributive share an equal part with the rest of my Children to be equally divided among the heirs of her body

Item 5 I give and bequeath to the heirs of Mary Burton  
Pinson her distributive share an equal part  
with the Rest of my Children to be equally  
divided among the heirs of her body

Item 6 I Give and bequeath to Susan A. adderhead  
her distributive share an equal part with  
my other Children to be equally divided among  
the heirs of her body at her death

Item 7 I Give and bequeath to the heirs of Sarah Isabell  
her distributive share an equal part with  
the Rest of my Children to be equally divided  
among the Heirs of her body

Item 8 I Give and bequeath to John H. Burton one  
half of his distributive share with the Rest  
of my Children and his daughter Evelina E.  
Harrison the other half making in all  
an equal part

Item 9 I Give and bequeath to Abraham Burton his  
distributive share an equal part with the  
Rest of my Children

Item 10 I Give and bequeath to Peter E. Burton  
his distributive share an equal part with  
the Rest of my Children

Item 11 I Give and bequeath to Martha A. Burton  
her distributive share an equal part with  
the Rest of my Children to be equally divided  
among the heirs of her body at her death

Lastly I nominate and appoint my son  
Peter E. Burton my sole Executor & Mary Burton  
my wife my sole Executrix to this my last will  
and testament

Signed Sealed and acknowledged

in presence of  
Bartholomew Burton  
Robeson Adams  
H. S. Chandler

John Burton 

Franklin County  
Court of Ordinary July Term 1842

Personally appeared in open  
Court Barshaba Burton who being duly  
Sworn deposeth and saith that she saw the  
within named John Burton sign & seal  
the within will for the purposes therein mentioned  
when in his proper mind and that the  
Appointee subscribed the same as a witness  
and saw Robeson Adams and Henry  
St. Chandler do so likewise

Sworn to this 4<sup>th</sup> July 1842

Shelby Co

Barshaba <sup>for</sup>  
Burton  
mark

Benjamin Garrison  
Will

State of Georgia I the Name of God Amen  
Franklin County I Benjamin Garrison of the  
County & State aforesaid  
being sick and weak of body but of sound  
mind and disposing memory and know  
that it is appointed for all men once  
to die do make and ordain the following  
my last will and testament that is to  
say first of all I command 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