

George

In the name of God Amen

Petalb County

I Theredith Collier of the County and State of Ga. being sound in mind though feeble in body and knowing that it is appointed unto man once to die and feeling it to be my duty to make disposition of the property which a kind providence has blessed me with do make publish and declare this to be my last will and Testament

- 1st It is my will and desire that my body be buried in a decent Christian like manner my soul I surrender up to God who save it trusting that it shall live in immortal glory
- 2nd It is my will & desire that all my just debts paid out of the money that may be left on hand at my death
- 3rd I Give and bequeath to my beloved son George W Collier one Feather Bed & common bedding & bedstead and one Cow and calf
- 4th I Give and bequeath to my beloved son Andrew J Collier my home below one Feather Bed & Bedding & Bedstead one Cow & calf one Sow and Pigs and one Rifle Gun
- 5th I give and bequeath to my beloved son Theredith Collier my Horse still one Feather Bed & Bedding & bedstead one Cow & calf one Sow and pigs & one Shot Gun
- 6th I Give and bequeath to my Grand Daughter Mary Elizabeth Collier daughter of James M Collier one Feather Bed & Bedding & one bedstead
- 7th I Give and bequeath to my beloved wife Elizabeth Collier during her natural life and at her death to be sold and the proceeds Equally divided amongst all my children the following property to wit: A black & grey man and his wife Mary and her child Catharine and Nathan a boy about sixteen years old Two Mules (White & black) Two Good Cows & Cries one good horse & one mare one Carry Bay Carh all my iron tools & kitchen furniture what have in before disposal of Cotton Gin Gin Sowing Machine and four set of blacksmith tools turning lathe one Carriage Sow & Pigs Fitting hay & cow shed for one year one year provisions and a life estate in the lands and their appurtenances that I have conveyed to Andrew J Collier and in which I have reserved to my wife a life Estate also Two sea Stands
- 8th It is my will and desire that the residue of my Estate to wit: Lands & negroes and slaves be sold at Public out cry also that my State Bonds be sold at the same time & place and that the proceeds arising from such sale as well as the money on hand at my death (after paying my just debts) and the money that may be due me be sold to be Equally divided amongst all my legates
- 9th I hereby constitute nominate and appoint my son John

declared by me to be my last will and Testament this 25th day
of June 1863
in presence of us
Solomon H. Pace
Henry H. By
Perry Johnson
and

Meredith Collier Seal

Georgia Fulton County
Where as I Meredith Collier of said County did on the
Twentyfifth day of June Eighteen hundred and fifty three in
Make publish and declare my last will and Testament and
had the same attested by Solomon H. Pace Henry H. By and
Perry Johnson and where as I am desirous of changing certain
portions of said will do make publish and declare the
following as a Codicil to said last will and Testament.
It is my will and desire that the fifth item of said will
be and the same is hereby revoked as the property thereby given
has already been given to my (now deceased) son Meredith
Collier Jr

It is my will and desire that the seventh and eighth items
of said original will be and the same is hereby revoked insofar
as the distributional of my deceased son Meredith Collier Jr
only is concerned he having already received more than a full
share of property from me

I hereby will and bequeath to my Grand son Henry Collier
the only child of my deceased son Meredith Collier Jr one hundred
dollars in cash to be paid his legally constituted Executive within
one year after my death Item 11 I hereby constitute Martin H.
and appoint my son G. W. Collier one of my Executors in this
my last will and Testament in the event and stand of said
Collier hereby appointed

Meredith Collier Seal

The above and foregoing Codicil signed sealed attested
and declared by the said Meredith Collier to be and from
part of his said last will and Testament in the presence of us
the subscribing witnesses who hereby attest the same by our
signatures in the presence of said Testator and at his request
and in the presence of each other this 11th day of February 1863

M. H. Collier

As the Testator

Witness

Georgia
Fulton County } I John Collier do solemnly swear that this
Writing contains the true last will and Testament of the said
Meredith Collier as above declared and that I will see that the
same be executed in the same manner as the debts and then the Legacies
contained in said will as far as the goods and chattels will
thereunto extend and the law requires and that

I will execute and perfect execution of all such goods and chattels as they
me had.

Subscribed in Open Court this 6th day of April 1863

John Collier

R E Mangum ors

State of Georgia, Court of Ordinary for said County April Term
Fulton County 3/1863 In person appeared before me R E Mangum
Ordinary for said County Salomon St Pace who being duly sworn
deposed & said that he signed the within will as witness and he
saw Henry Bobb & Perry Johnson do likewise at the special instance
and request of Meredith Collier the Testator and in his presence
and the presence of each other and we each saw Meredith Collier
sign seal and declare and publish the same as his last will and
Testaments and that the Testator was of sound mind and disposing
memory at the time of closing do and was not influenced to do
so by any other person or persons what ever but did the same
from his own free will and accord as far as I know or believe
I know or believe

before me this 6th day of
April 1863

S. St Pace

R E Mangum ors

State of Georgia, Court of Ordinary for said County
Fulton County 3 April Term 1863 In person appeared
before me R E Mangum Ordinary for said County. I is
St Pace who being duly sworn deposed & said that he
signed the Codicil to the within will at the special instance
and request of Meredith Collier the Testator and we
saw Jas Smith & W. W. Morgan the other do likewise
at the special instance and request of Meredith Collier the Testator
and in his presence and the presence of
each other and that the Testator was of sound mind and
disposing memory at the time of signing the same and
was not influenced to do so by any other person or persons but
did the same from his own free will and accord as far as I
know or believe

I know or believe

before me in Open Court

6th April 1863

S. St Pace

R E Mangum ors

Recorded April 16th 1863

R E Mangum