

State of Georgia. } In the name of God
 Gilmer County. } Amen:

I, Josiah J. Whitrow,
 of said State 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, do therefore
 make this my last will and Testament, hereby
 revoking all others heretofore made by me,

1st Item:-

I desire and direct that my body be buried
 in a decent and Christianlike manner, suitable
 to my circumstances and condition in life; my
 soul I trust shall return to rest with God
 who gave it, as I hope for eternal salvation
 through the merits of the blessed Lord and
 Saviour Jesus Christ: whose I have professed
 and as I humbly trust, enjoyed for twenty seven
 years.

2nd Item:-

I desire and direct that all my just debts
 be paid by my Executor hereinafter appointed.

3rd Item:-

I desire and direct that my Executor shall
 sell a sufficient amount of my personal property
 to pay off my debts, and further direct that
 should there be a surplus of personal property
 after paying my debts, that my Executor shall
 sell the same for the use of my wife and minor
 children.

4th Item:-

I give and bequeath to my beloved wife
 Sarah L. for and during her natural life
 and widowhood, only my home place, it
 being part of No. 254.-10 Dist. & Sec. and part of
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~~with~~ what perishable property there may be on
the place with one bed each, provided they
remain on the place and support their mother,
and should they not do so, I then direct that
they only have a Child's part in the personal
property, at the decease of my wife, and I
further direct that the balance of the House-
hold goods, at death of my wife, be divided
equally between my Daughters, Catharine Cole,
Margaret Meece, Sarah M. Withrow, and my
Daughter Nancy's Child-Robert Lee, I further
direct my Executor to rent or lease and man-
age my other lands, which is part of No. 4, in
the 26th Dist 2nd Sec, and 32- 26th Dist & 2nd Sec,
and part of No. 5, in the 26th Dist 2nd Sec, also
part of No. 4, in the 10- 2. Sec, and that my
Executor pay to my wife, for the benefit of
the family, the amount of the rents, after
paying taxes and expenses, and I further direct
my executor, if it should be necessary to pay
my debts in full, to sell $\frac{1}{2}$ of lot of land,
No. 32 x 26 x 2nd Sec, and apply so much as may
be necessary to payment of debts provided the
surplus personal property should be suffi-
cient, and I further direct that the balance
of the land herein described last, shall be
equally divided at the death of my wife
to my sons and Daughters as follows:-

John W. - Catharine Cole, Margaret Meece,
Sarah M. Withrow, and Robert Lee - son of
my daughter Nancy, and I direct that if
my wife should die, before the Children come
of age, that my son John W. - act as their
Guardian, 5th Item:-

I hereby appoint and constitute my

son John W. - and A. J. Cole as Guardian
for Wm. Gates a minor heir of John Gates
deceased, I also hereby appoint my son
John to wind up the unfinished business
where I was acting under power of Attorney
in collecting the outstanding debts of the
Parks Estate, And I hereby constitute
and appoint my beloved son John W.
Executor of this my last will and testament.
This March 29th 1877.

A. L. Osborn.

W. F. Hill.

S. C. Osborn.

J. T. Crawford.

J. J. Withrow.

Gilmer Court of Ordinary, July Term, 1877.

The will of Josiah J. Withrow, being produced in open
Court, for probate by the Executor, who has filed his petition
to prove the same, and the witnesses to said will; A. L.
Osborn, W. F. Hill, S. C. Osborn, and J. T. Crawford, having
subscribed the following Affidavit, indorsed on said
will: July Term 1877, of Gilmer Court of
Ordinary came into open Court, at this regular Term
of the Court, A. L. Osborn, W. F. Hill, S. C. Osborn and J. T.
Crawford, and being duly sworn, depose that they saw
Josiah J. Withrow, sign and publish the within, as his last
will and testament, while of sound and disposing mind; That
they witnessed the same for him at his request, and in his presence
and of each other and that the same was executed voluntarily by
him, on the day it purports to have been executed.

Sworn to and subscribed before me
this the 4th day July 1877.

J. C. Allen.

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I William Nelson of
said State and County, being of advanced age
but of sound mind and memory, knowing that
I must shortly depart this life, deem it right
and proper both as respects my family and my
self, that I should make a disposition of the prop-
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blessed me, & so therefore make this my
last will and testament, hereby revoking
and annulling all others by me heretofore
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buried in a decent and Christian like man-
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to rest with God who gave it, and I hope for
salvation through the merits and atonement of
the blessed Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

2nd I desire and direct that all my just debts
be paid.

3rd I give, bequeath, and devise to my be-
loved wife Sarah Nelson, the town lots
in Ellijay in said State and County, which
I now reside on, with all the rights, mem-
bers appurtenances to said lots of land in
any-wise belonging, free from all charge
and limitation whatever, to her own
proper use benefit and behoof forever
during her natural life, I also give
and bequeath to my beloved wife, in the
same manner, all other property that
I now am possessed of.

4th I give and bequeath to my daughter
Hester Ann Hyatt, wife of W. D. Hyatt,
my town lots of land in Ellijay in
said State and County, on which I
now reside, after the death of my

beloved wife Sarah Nelson.

5th I hereby appoint and constitute my
son in law W. J. R. Hyatt, Executor
of this my last will and Testament
This March 5th 1877.

William Nelson 

Signed, Sealed, Declared and published
by William Nelson, in the presence of
us the undersigned, who subscribed our
names hereto, in the presence of said
Testator, at his special instance, and
request, and in the presence of each other.
This March 5th 1877.

B. Wilson.
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John E. P. Smith,
David Garren, J. P.

Georgia } Before me came on the 2nd day of July at a reg-
Gilmer County. } ular Term, for the purpose of proving the last will
and testament of William Nelson, one of the wit-
nesses to said will, viz: Barnett Wilson, and the said will having
been before that time, brought before me for probate, by the Executor
William J. R. Hyatt, who has filed a petition for probate of the same, he
the said witness deposes of the same, that he saw the said William
Nelson, sign and publish the same, as his last will, on the
day and year there stated, as executed by him; that he
witnessed the same at his request, in his presence; that
the same was voluntarily executed by him, while he was
of sound and disposing mind and memory.

Sworn to and subscribed before me

This the 2nd day of July 1877. Barnett Wilson.

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The State of South Carolina
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In the name
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the said County and State, being in good
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mind and memory, and being desirous to
settle my worldly affairs while I have
strength and capacity so to do, do make, or-
dain and publish this my last will and
testament, hereby revoking and making void
all former wills by me at any time heretofore
made, I commit my soul into the hands of my
creator who gave it, and my body to the earth
to be interred at the direction of my executors,
hereinafter named, And as to such worldly es-
tate wherewith it has pleased God to intrust me,
I dispose of the same as follows.

First. I will and direct that all of my just debts
be paid, and to that end, as well as for the accom-
plishment of the purposes in the next succeeding
clause of this my will to be mentioned and
declared, I do hereby authorize and empower
my Executors and Executors or such of them
as may qualify, hereon and assume the burden
of executing this my last will and Testament.
If they shall judge expedient, to sell and convey
for such prices as they shall deem proper
in fee simple, or for any less estate, all or any
part of my lands, wherever the same may be
situated, as well such part or parts of my
personal property, as in their judgment may
be advisable or necessary for said purposes, and
the whole proceeds of such sale or sales, or any
part thereof or the interest and income thereof
after the payment of my just debts, and inci-
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to retain and keep in their own hands, and
the same to invest in Bank or other stock,

or put out at interest on good security, and the interest and income thereof annually and in such proportions, as they shall seem expedient, and such portions of the principal, as may be necessary to appropriate to the purposes mentioned, in the said clause, provided that it is my will and desire, that the homestead whereon I now live be retained if possible as a homestead for my family, at least until the final division of my estate.

Second: I give devise and bequeath the whole of my estate, of every description whatsoever to my affectionate ~~and~~ faithful wife, Mathe J. Dorn, for and during the term of her natural life, for the following uses and purposes to wit: (1) for the thorough education of my children, and for the support and maintenance of my wife and children as one family, until the youngest child comes of age, or until the death of my wife, whatever event happens first, and (2) my wife with the advice and consent of her associate, executors and their counsel to give off to my children as they respectively attain to their majority, whatever she may in her discretion desire to give them, always taking care that hereafter the full share of each child be given and the amount so given to be charged properly in a book to be kept for that purpose.

Third: It is my will and I desire that as soon as my beloved wife dies then my estate be sold or partitioned, and equally divided among all my children share and share alike, each child to account for what he or she may have received from his or her mother at any time therefore.

Fourth: I desire my wife to use her discretion prudently in advancing property to my

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principles of fidelity to his mother.
Fifth: I hereby nominate constitute and appoint
my affectionate and faithful wife Mattie J.
Dorn Executrix and my esteemed friends John R.
Ahney and Robert A. Turner Executors of this my
last will and testament.

Signed Sealed published and declared by
the above named William B. Dorn, as and
for his last will and testament, this the fifth
day of September Anno Domini Eighteen hundred
and Seventy six in the presence of us, who at his
request, and in his presence, and in the presence
of each other have subscribed our names as wit-
nesses Thereunto.

Signed H. A. Gray
S. H. Mangel
Horace Parker.

Signed Wm B. Dorn.

The State of South Carolina
Edgefield County,

By S. Charlton Esq. Judge
of Probate of said County.

Personally appeared before
me Horace Parker, who being duly sworn, made oath
and said that he saw William B. Dorn, sign Seal, pub-
lish, pronounce and declare the annexed instrument
of writing, bearing date the fifth day of September
1876, to be and contain his last will and testament,
that he the said William B. Dorn was then of sound and
disposing mind and memory, and understanding, accord-
ing to the best of Deponent's knowledge and belief, and
that the said H. Parker, H. A. Gray, and S. H. Mangel at the
request of the Testator, in his presence, and in the presence of
each other, witnessed the due execution thereof.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 20th day
of January A.D. 1877.

S. Charlton.

H. Parker.

Judge of Probate.

The State of South Carolina }
 Edgefield County. } Executrix's Qualification.

I Mattie J. Dorn.
 Do solemnly swear, that
 the annexed writing contains the last true,
 Will and testament of the within named,
 William B. Dorn deceased. So far as I know
 or believe and that I will well and truly,
 execute the same, saving always my rights
 of Dower and Homestead Exemptions, against
 said Will, if its provisions include said rights
 of Dower and Homestead Exemptions, by paying
 first the debts and then the legacies, contained in
 the said Will, as far as his goods and Chattels,
 will therunto extend. (My rights of Dower and
 Homestead Exemptions not included of course
 in said goods and Chattels) and the law
 charge, and that I will make a true
 and perfect Inventory of all such goods and
 Chattels, and return the same into the
 Office of the Clerk of the Probate Court,
 when therunto required. And further, swear
 that to the best of my knowledge and belief
 the total value of the personal estate
 left by him does not exceed in value Five
 hundred Dollars. Sworn to and subscribed before
 me, this the 20th day of

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Mattie J. Dorn,

State of South Carolina }
 County of Edgefield } J. L. Charlton, Judge of
 Probate for Edgefield County,
 in the State aforesaid, and

Officer and Clerk of said Court, do hereby certify, that
 the foregoing are full true and perfect copies of
 the last Will and testament of Wm B. Dorn, deceased.
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 of our Lord, one thousand, eight hundred, and
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 second year of the Sovereignty and Inde-
 pendence of the United States of America.



L. Charlton,
 Judge of the Probate Court E.C.
 August 28th 1877.

Georgia Gilmer County.

I hereby certify that the
 transcript of the aforesaid proceedings appears
 above in full, except the Letter Testamentary,
 which are recorded in Book of Letters,
 Sept. 5th 1877.

J. C. Allen,
 Ordinary.

Charlton, Judge of
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State of Georgia } In the name of God. Amen: -
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 religion I have professed and I truly trust
 enjoyed for years.

Item 2nd I give bequeath and devise to
 my beloved wife Sophia Emeline with whom
 I have lived in the strictest quiet for twenty
 two years Lot of land No. Two hundred and
 fifty also lot No Two hundred and forty nine,
 both of the 12th district and 2nd Section of Gilmer
 County, containing one hundred and sixty acres
 each, with all the rights members and appurtenances
 to said lots of land in anywise belonging to her own
 proper use benefit and behoof, during her natural
 life or widowhood. If she marries then said land
 to be sold and divided equal with her and all my
 children. If she remains a widow until her death
 then to be equally divided with all my children.

I also give and bequeath to my beloved wife, Lots
 of land Nos. Two hundred and fifty one, and Two
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for the raising of my children until the youngest
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of my other property, money and notes, to have and
to hold for the benefit of raising my children,
until my youngest daughter Missouri Gustine
becomes of age, giving her the authority to give
all of my boys, a horse a piece as they come of
age, then the remainder to be sold and equally
divided with all my children, with the exceptions
of two beds, bedsteads and clothing for the same
and Sewing Machine, which she will keep
during her lifetime, then to be divided with my
children. I hereby constitute and appoint my
beloved wife Sophia Caroline Executrix and my
worthy friend James K. P. Russell Executor of my last
will and testament. This July 2nd 1877.

William Tatum, (Seal).

Signed Sealed declared and published by
William Tatum as his last will and testament, in
the presence of us the subscribers, who subscribed
our names hereto, in the presence of said testator
and at his special instance and request, and of
each other. This July 2nd 1877.

Lebens Hope McArthur
John Senard Lively,
Calvin Bradley.

Georgia Before me came on the 17th
Gilmer County 3 day of January 1878, at Chambers
3 for the purpose of proving the
last will and testament of W^m Tatum,
L. A. McArthur of the subscribing witnesses
to said will. The said will being this day
filed in this office by the Executors Sophia E
Tatum and J. K. P. Russell. After said

witness deposes and says that he said. *Wm. Tatum* sign and publish the same as his last will and testament, on the day and year then stated, as executed by him, that he with *Le. Bradley* and *J. E. Sively* witnessed the same at his request and in the presence of each other, that the same was voluntarily executed by him, while he was of sound and disposing mind and memory.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, This day 17th 1878.
J. C. Allen, Ord. 3 *P. H. M. Arthur,*
Gilmer Co. 3

State of Georgia } *D. William S. Charleston* of
 Hamlin County } said state and County:-

I am now laboring under a disease which is liable to take my mortal from this time. I deem it right and proper, both as respects my family and myself, that I should make a disposition of my property, and therefore make this my last will and testament.

Item 1st I give bequeath and devise to my three youngest sons of my first wife to wit: *Sabrina*, *Malissa* *Aphron*, and *William S.* twenty acres more or less of lot of land No. one hundred and sixty three in the Eleventh district and second section of Gilmer County, State of Georgia, including all of the land of said lot lying west of the Cross fence now standing, with the dwelling house and orchard to have and to hold in common, and equal interest jointly forever, only to be severed with and by consent of each of them, and in case one or two of them or the one or two living to have the whole.

Item 2nd I bequeath give and devise to my daughter *Anna* *Vianna* *Sorrell* wife of *David* *Sorrell* and all her children free from the disposition of her present or any,

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known. Said bequest being now occupied by said
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Item 3rd I give bequest and Devise to my daughter
Mary Adeline Padget, wife of Rufus Padget
and all her children, free from the disposi-
tion of her present or any future husband,
twenty two and one half acres more or less,
of the remaining east portion of lot of land
No. One hundred and sixty three, of the 11th dist.
and second section Gilmer County, which is
lined laid off and designated and pointed out
to said daughter.

Item 4th I give bequest and Devise to my
son Calloway A, twenty two and one half
acres more or less of the remaining east
portion of lot of land No. One hundred and
sixty three in the Eleventh district and second
section of Gilmer County, State of Georgia,
which land is lined, laid off, and designated,
and pointed out to said son.

Item 5th I give bequest and Devise to
my daughter Alti M. Cornet wife of
Mr. H. Cornet and all her children free from
the disposition of her present or any future
husband, twenty two and one half acres,
more or less of the remaining east portion
of lot of land No. One hundred and sixty three
of the Eleventh district and second section of
Gilmer County, Georgia, which land is
lined laid off, designated and pointed out,
to said daughter.

Item 6th I give bequest and Devise to my
present wife Margaret Delila, and her
child Margaret Felitha which is my legit-
imate offspring, Seventy acres more or less
of lot of land No. One hundred and six of the

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Sixth District and first Section of Hamms
County, Georgia to have and to hold to their
benefit and behoof for and during their nat-
ural life and at the death of the wife, Tourit
Margaret Delila Chastain the interest of
her to avert to her child above named, and
in case of the death of the child, its interest
to avert proportionably to my several heirs. And
I appoint my trusty and worthy son, William
Silvester Chastain Trustee of the interest
of my minor child in said property as requested
and given to my present wife Margaret
Delila Chastain and said minor child.

This August, 26th day 1878.

W^m E. Chastain (S.S.).

Signed sealed and published by W^m E.
Chastain as his last will and testament,
in the presence of us the subscribers, who
subscribed our names hereto in the presence
of said testator (at his special instance and
request) and of each other, this August the
26th 1878.

Robert P. Woody,
Henry C. M^d Daniel,
Cornelius J. Stover,
William F. Powell,

Gilmer Court of Ordinary.

We taken Term 1878.

Came into open Court at this
regular Term of the Court, Henry C.
M^d Daniel and after being duly sworn
deposes and says that he saw W^m E. Chastain
sign and publish the within as his last will
and testament, while of sound and disposing
mind and memory and that he (deponent) and
Robert P. Woody, Cornelius J. Stover and W^m F.
Powell witnessed the same for him at his
request and in his presence and in the
presence of each other. The said subscribers

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Samuel M. Young, Jane A. Henderson,
 Nancy E. Bramblett, and Peggy Ann Kelly de-
 ceased heirs they only receiving their mother's
 share, Mary E. Ralston and Laura S. Maulester,
 all my other land, property, money or
 effects, that I may be possessed of at my
 death, to be divided or equally interested in
 after my just debts are paid, except Samuel
 M. Young having received \$275.⁰⁰ Two
 hundred and seventy five dollars, Nancy E.
 Bramblett rec'd \$100.⁰⁰ One hundred dollars,
 Mary E. Ralston rec'd \$125.⁰⁰ One hundred
 and twenty five dollars. Now if my effects
 are not sufficient to make my daughters
 all equal with Samuel M. Young, without
 the land they are to be made equal out of
 the land and then the land is to be equally
 divided among the six heirs without selling
 the same. All to be free from the interference
 of their husbands. I further bequeath equally
 to all my heirs all mine & minerals or lands
 reserved by me, heretofore that I have sold,
 I hereby ordain and appoint William Simmons
 as my executor of this my last will and tes-
 tament, in testimony whereof I have here-
 unto set my hand and seal, and published
 and declared this to be my last will and testament
 in the presence of the witnesses, below.
 May 5th 1877. John D. Houts (ES)

Signed sealed published and declared
 by the said John D. Houts, as and for his last will and
 testament, in the presence of us, who at his request,
 and in his presence, of each other has subscribed and
 named as witnesses hereto.

John L. Kester (ES)
 J. H. Hatis (ES)
 G. A. Griffin (ES)
 E. P. Watson (ES)

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E. Chastain
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(deponent) and
and W.E.
or him at his
and in the
said subscribing

witnesses to said will and that the same
was executed by him. The said W.E. Chastain
voluntarily on the day it purports to have been
executed, sworn to and subscribed before me
in open court, October Term 1878,

J. C. Allen, } Henry C. M. Daniel,
Ordinary

Ordered that the Will
aforesaid be admitted to record as satisfac-
torily proven in Common Pleas

Gilmer County of Ordinary } J. C. Allen
Oct Term 1878. } Ordinary,

Georgia I know all men by these presents,
Gilmer County } that I, John P. Houts, of the County
and State aforesaid being of sound
mind and memory do make, and publish this my
last will & testament, hereby revoking all others
heretofore made by me, as follows:-
Item 1st I give and bequeath to my two sons
Jas P Houts and Mrs S. Houts, equally, lots of land
Nos. (77) seventy seven and (68) sixty eight and sixty
acres of lot No (69) sixty nine, all lying and
being in the 12th Dist & 2nd Section of said
County. Known as the Syle's Plantation, and
all that appertains thereto, My wife Elizabeth
Houts to have full control of the house and kitchen
and all that appertains thereto, and her and
Mrs S Houts to control the farming land, and
rents to belong to the use and benefit of my said
wife during her life time then to go to my two
sons as above named, The household and kitchen
furniture to be divided equally in six parts to my
five daughters, and three grand children heirs, of
my daughter Peggy Ann Kelly deceased,
I further direct and bequeath to my five
daughters and three grand children to wit

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g. Jane A. Henderson,
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only receiving their mother's
Laura S. Mauldin,
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received \$275.⁰⁰ Two
fifty five dollars, Nancy E
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and \$125.⁰⁰ One hundred
dollars. Now if my effects
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in share without selling
be free from the interference
I further bequeath equally
my mine minerals or lands
before that I have sold,
and appoint William Simmons
of this my last will and tes-
mony whereof I have here-
to and seal, and published
to be my last will and testament
the witnesses below.

John P. Houts. (S)
do published and declared
to, as and for his last will and
force of me, who at his request,
each other has subscribed and
counts. John S. Keeter (S)
J. H. Yates (S)
G. A. Griffin (S)
E. P. Watson (S)

Gilmer Court of Ordinary.

February Term 1879.

The last will and testament of John P.
Houts deceased late of said County, having been
filed in this Office by Wm Simmons, named
therein as Executor, and who prays the Probate
of the same in solemn form, but refuses to act
as Executor, being this day exhibited in open
Court and satisfactory proof made that all the
next of kin and legatees of said deceased, have
had due and legal notice of said application
the witnesses to said last will after being
orally examined have subscribed the following
affidavit.

February Term 1879. of Gilmer Court of
Ordinary. Came into open Court. Came in
open Court. John S. Keeter, J. H. Yates G. A.
Griffin and E. P. Watson, and being duly
sworn depose and say that they saw John P.
Houts sign and publish the annexed and within
will as his last will and testament, while of
sound and disposing mind and memory, that
they witnessed the same for him, at his request
and in his presence and in the presence of
each other, and that the same was executed
voluntarily by him, on the day it purports to
have been executed. Sworn to and subscribed
before me, this 5th day of February 1879.

I do declare }
Ordinary }

John S. Keeter
J. H. Yates
G. A. Griffin

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State of Georgia In the name of God. Amen:

Gilmer County, I, Abner Waters of said state

and county, being of advanced age but of sound and disposing mind and memory; 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, I therefore make this my last will and testament hereby revoking and annulling all others by me heretofore made, First: I desire and direct that my body be buried in a decent and Christianlike manner suitable to my circumstances and condition in life, my soul I trust shall return to rest with God who gave it, and I hope for salvation through the merits and atonement of the blessed Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Secondly: I desire and direct that all my just debts be paid without delay by my executors hereinafter named and appointed.

Thirdly: I give bequeath and devise to my beloved wife Jane Waters, one half of lot of land lying and being in the state and county aforesaid and in the (26) district and second section known by number (3.) containing 160 acres more or less, with all the rights, incidents, and appurtenances to said half of lot of land in anywise belonging free from all charge and limitation whatsoever, to her own proper use benefit and behoof for ever with full power to dispose of the same by will or otherwise as she may deem proper, I also give and bequeath to my beloved wife in the same unreserved manner the farming utensils used on, and belonging to the farm where I now reside, and two cows and calves such as she may choose, also ten head of sheep and ten head of hogs, and all my house hold and kitchen furniture (except one bed)

in name of God. Amen:
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 my beloved wife in the
 use the farming utensils
 to the farm where I
 now and calves such
 as Ten head of sheep
 and all my house
 furniture (except one bed)

and my two horse wagon, all without limitation
 or reserve, Fourthly; I give bequeath and devise to
 my daughter Ann C. Pence, widow of Leroy Pence,
 for her sole and separate use, one bed known as her
 mother's bed, Fifthly; I give bequeath and devise
 to my two sons John R. and Joseph H. and my daugh
 ter Alice, lot of land number (2) two (26) District and
 second section of Gilmer County Georgia with all the
 rights members and appurtenances to said lot of land
 in on lease belonging forever in fee simple, also I
 give bequeath and devise to John R. one horse, and
 one horse to Joseph H. such as shall be selected
 of my stock for them by my beloved wife Jane,
 Sixthly; The residue of my property both real and per
 sonal wherever and whatever it may be, I will
 that it shall be sold and equally divided between
 my beloved wife Jane, and my sons Samuel, and
 John R. and Joseph H. and my daughters Ann C. Pence
 widow of Leroy Pence, and Alice, and I hereby
 appoint my beloved wife Jane, Guardian of the
 persons and property of my said minor children
 son John R. and son Joseph H. and daughter Alice,
 Seventhly; I hereby constitute and appoint my friends
 Thomas Cox and W. R. Welch, Executors of this my last
 will and testament, this Feb'y 18th 1879.
 Ebenezer ^{his} Waters Seal
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Signed sealed declared and published by Ebenezer Waters, as his last
 will and testament in the presence of us the undersigned
 who subscribed our names hereto in the presence of
 said Testator, at his special instance and request
 and in the presence of each other.
 This Feb'y 18th 1879.

Thomas Ratcliff,
 A. P. Gofford J. P.

John D. Hays
 J. T. Crawford
 W. C. Ratcliff
 Wm. J. R. Hyatt

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I did now at this Term of the Court come,
W. J. R. Hyatt, J. S. Hays, H. C. Ratcliff, Geo. J. Crawford,
subscribing witnesses to the above and foregoing will of
Abner Waters deceased, who being duly sworn after being
privately examined, say that they saw Abner Waters sign said
will, that they signed it as attesting witnesses in his
presence, and in the presence of each other, that he
appeared to be, and defendants believe, was of sound
and disposing mind and memory, and that they saw
no evidence of undue influence over deceased in
making and executing said will, and that he executed
the same as they believe, voluntarily, and without
any undue influence whatever, sworn to and sub-
scribed before me, April 4th 1881.

J. C. Allen, Clerk, W. J. R. Hyatt,
J. S. Hays,
Gilmer Court of Ordinary, Geo. J. Crawford,
April Term 1881. H. C. Ratcliff.

George A. McLeod solemnly swear that this writing contains
Gilmer County, The true last will of the within named Abner
Waters deceased, so far as we know or believe,
and that we will, well and truly execute the same in ac-
cordance with the laws of this state. So help us God,
Sworn to and subscribed before me, April 4th 1881.

J. C. Allen, W. R. Melch,
Ordinary, J. M. Cox,

Ordered by the Court that the above and
foregoing will of Abner Waters deceased, late of
said County, be admitted to record as satisfactorily
proven in solemn form, after due and legal notice to
the heirs and legatees of, and under said will, and
further ordered that J. M. Cox and W. R. Melch (they having
qualified) have Letters of, and as Executors of said
deceased.

Gilmer Court of Ordinary, J. C. Allen,
April Term 1881. Ordinary.

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Waters deceased late of
is record as satisfactorily
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is under said will, and
ex^{rs} W. R. Welch (they having
L, and as Executors of said
J. C. Allen,
Ordinary,

Item 4th I give, bequeath and devise to my beloved child
George F. Watkins & daughter E. Powell, that portion
of lot of land number three hundred & eleven
(311) in the Twentyfifth district and second
(2) section, in said County - it being the
eastern portion.

- Item 5th - I give bequeath and devise to my beloved daughter Rebecca Stokes, lot of land number Two hundred and fifty seven, (257.) in the Eleventh (11.) district and second, (2.) section in said County.
- Item 6th - I give bequeath and devise to my beloved son Joseph Watkins, lot of land number Two hundred and fifty one (251.) in the Eleventh (11.) district and second (2.) section, in said County.
- Item 7th - I give bequeath and devise to my beloved children - Mrs. H. Watkins, Robert Watkins, James S. Watkins and Mary M. Watkins, jointly, lot of land number Two hundred and fifty (250.) in the Eleventh (11.) district and second (2.) section in said County, and also to Mrs. H. Watkins, Robert Watkins and James S. Watkins, each a horse or mule of the value of fifty dollars or in cash, to be determined by my Executor, and also to my beloved daughter Mary M. Watkins, one cow and calf, and one bed and clothing to be selected by my executor.
- Item 8th - I give bequeath and devise to my beloved wife, Sueinda Watkins, that portion of lot of land number Two hundred and ninety (249.) in the Eleventh (11.) district and second (2.) section in said County, being on the Southwest side of Flat Creek, also a horse or mule of the value of fifty dollars, or its equivalent in cash to be determined by my executor, also a cow and calf to be selected by my executor, and all my household and kitchen furniture not already disposed of, and the same to be in lien for any claim for dower or any other claim against my estate, except for twelve months support, and her legal claims to my property which may not be already disposed of.
- Item 9th - I desire and direct, that all my just debts, and the expenses of the probate of this my last will, and the Executor's

and devise to my beloved
w. lot of land number
even, (257.) in the Eleventh
(2) section in said County,
the and devise to my beloved
w. lot of land number Two
51.) in the Eleventh (11) dis-
section, in said County,
and devise to my beloved
w. Robert Watkins, James
Watkins, jointly, lot of
more and fifty (250.)
district and second (2) sec-
and also to Mrs. Watkins
S. Watkins, each a horse
of fifty dollars or in-
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daughter Mary M. Watkins,
and one bed and clothing
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qualification, and other legal expenses, be paid
out of my personal property and choses in action
not already disposed of, including growing crops
or those harvested at the time of my death, and
to have priority over any claim for twelve months
support or other claim, and any remainder of
personal property thus left, shall be disposed
of by my executor, hereafter named at private
sale, and divided among my heirs and distribu-
tees according to the laws of this state,
Item 10th. - I hereby nominate constitute and appoint
my friend John M. C. Stokes, the Executor of this
my last will and testament, Witness my hand
and seal. This the 12th day of July 1880.

Hesket Watkins

Signed, sealed, declared and published
by the above named Hesket Watkins, as and for
his last will and testament, on this the 12th day
of July 1880, in the presence of us the under-
signed subscribing witnesses, who at his
special instance and request, and in his pres-
ence, and of each other, have subscribed our
names as witnesses thereunto, after having
witnessed his own signature to said will.

C. G. Moore,
S. J. Bowdon,
J. C. Allen,

In Gilmer Court of Ordinary
December Term 1881.

And now comes C. G. Moore, who
being duly sworn says, That he saw
Hesket Watkins late of Gilmer County
Georgia deceased, sign seal and publish
the annexed and foregoing instrument of
writing, as his last will and testament,
and that he (deponent) with S. J. Bowdon
and J. C. Allen, signed the same as

subscribing witnesses in the presence of the
testator, and of each other, and at testator's
special instance and request. And that the
testator, Merkit Watkins, was at the time
of signing and publishing said last will
of sound and disposing mind and memory
and did act freely and voluntarily.

Sworn to and subscribed before me,
this Dec. 5th 1881.

J. C. Allen, } A. G. Moore,
Ardy. }

Whereupon it is considered ordered
and adjudged, that the within and
foregoing last will and testament of
Merkit Watkins late of said County de-
ceased (with the affidavit of A. G. Moore, one
of the subscribing witnesses,) be admitted
to probate and Record, as satisfactorily
proven in ~~common~~ form,
Circuit Court of Ordinary, } C. Allen,
December Term 1881. } Ordinary.

in the presence of the
others, and at testator's
request, And that the
will was at the time
being said last will
of mind and memory
and voluntarily,
written before me,

U. G. Moore,

is considered ordered
the within and
and Testament of
of said County de-
avit of U. G. Moore, one
witness, be admitted
as satisfactory
J. C. Allen,
Ordinary.

Georgia In the name of God. Amen
Gilbert County I Lucius P. Smith being in fee-
ble health & knowing that I may at
any time depart this life deem it right and proper to
make a disposition of the property which a kind Prov-
idence has blessed me with and being of sound and
disposing mind and memory, do therefore make this
my last will and testament.

First I desire and direct that my body be buried in a
decent and Christian like manner. My Soul, I trust
the merits and atonement of blessed Lord and
Saviour Jesus Christ.

Second I desire that all my just debts be paid without
delay by my Executor.

Third To my dear wife Adaline & her two children
Henry A. and Ann E. I give and bequeath all
the land I obtained by purchase from Austin
Roberts, the same being determined by the line
between me and John W. Holt, and by a line
which leaves the Ellifay river at the lower por-
tion of said land running due north to within
thirty yards of the house where John Smith now
lives and continuing north to a distance of one
hundred yards beyond the house, thus leaving
20 acres more or less of timbered land con-
nected with the land I purchased from Wm M.
Roberts. All the Austin Roberts purchase
except this 20 acres to be for the free use & profit
of my said wife & her two children during her
lifetime or widowhood and in the event of her
death or marriage, then to be property of her two
children above named, I also bequeath to her and
her two children, and my two children now at
home for their joint use, all my farming im-
plements, household and kitchen furniture of
whatence kind also my mule and all live stock
and a sufficiency of such provisions, as I now
have on hand for their twelve months support

And in case that either of the two older children should leave home from any cause, then Elizabeth is to have the brown milk cow & either or both to have an equal allowance out of the twelve months support.

Fourth- To my two children Lucius H. and Elizabeth I will and bequeath all the land I purchased from ~~Mr~~ W. Roberts which lines are fully described in said Roberts deed to me, and also the 20 acres of timbered land excepted out of the third item. This land to be for the free use and profit of said named children under the direction of my executor. And the same to remain so for the term of five years from this date, during which time neither heir shall sell transfer or convey and interest or portion of the same or create any lease or incumbrance upon the same, and after this period they may do as they see proper with the land.

Fifth- To each of my three sons to wit: John R. Joseph T. and Daniel A. Smith, I will and bequeath the sum of one hundred dollars in money & for this purpose I direct that my town lot in Ellijah, lying between the Higgs & See Smiths places near the jail be sold and after it is one hundred dollars each is paid, then the remainder if any to be equally divided among all my heirs.

Sixth- To my daughter Mary Bookover, I will and bequeath the sum of five dollars.

Seventh- I hereby nominate my brother Joseph G. Smith my executor to carry out the provisions of the foregoing will.

L. P. Smith Esq.

Signed sealed declared and published by Lucius P. Smith as his last will & testament in the presence of us the undersigned who subscribed our names hereto in the

of the two older children
from any cause, then Elizabeth
and either or both to
advance out of the twelve

in Lucius H. and Elizabeth
all the land I purchased from
them are fully described in
me, and also the 20 acres
set out of the third item,
free use and profit of said
in the direction of my
me to remain so for the
from this date, during
their shall sell transfer
at or portion of the same
in incumbrance upon the
period they may do as they
and,

as to wit: John R. Joseph S.
I will and bequeath the
dollars in money & for
that my town lot in
the Higgs & See Smith
be sold and after it is
each is paid, then the re-
equally divided among

know, I will and bequeath the
my brother Joseph S. Smith
out the provisions of the
S. P. Smith Esq.

I declared and published
th as his last will & tes-
sence of us the undersigned
or names hereto in the

presence of said testator, at his special
instance and request & in the presence of each
other. This February 15th 1882

Wm Ellington
J. H. Randell
W. W. Roberts,

Georgia } The witnesses to the foregoing will
Citrus County } having all come into open Court, and
after being orally examined depose
and say on oath, That the foregoing will was signed
by the testator with a full knowledge of its contents
and that each of the subscribing witnesses signed
the same, in the presence of the testator, and of
each other, That the same was done at his special
instance and request, and that it was executed
voluntarily and without any apparent undue
influences and that said testator was of sound
and disposing mind and memory, Sworn to and
subscribed before me, April 3rd 1882.

J. C. Allen, } J. H. Randell,
Ord'y. } W. W. Roberts
Wm Ellington

Whereupon it is considered ordered and ad-
judged that the foregoing will of S. P. Smith be
admitted to Record, as properly proven in
Solemn form

Citrus Court of Ordinary } J. C. Allen,
April Term 1882. } Ord'y.

State of Georgia } In the name of God,
 Gilmer County } Amen -

I John M. Burch of the
 County of Gilmer and State of Georgia, being
 of sound and disposing mind and memory, and
 being desirous to settle my worldly affairs, while
 I have strength so to do, do make and publish
 this my last will and testament, hereby revoking
 all others wills by me at any time heretofore
 made, and first I commit my soul to the God who
 gave it, and my body I desire to be buried in
 as respectfully manner according to my circum-
 stances, and my worldly estate I dispose of as
 follows: - First place I give and bequeath
 unto my wife Louisa Burch, Lot Land No. One
 hundred and sixty one (161) eighty acres of Lot No.
 one hundred and sixty four (164) all in the 10th
 District and second Section of Gilmer County,
 State aforesaid, all my stock on the same consisting
 of three head of cattle twelve head of hogs and
 six head of sheep, farming utensils together with
 all the household and kitchen furniture, Beds and bed
 clothing and one rifle gun, Also one grist mill
 situate on the premises, All other things belonging to me
 and not mentioned in this will, such as money
 debts and so forth, I do witness whereof I the said John
 M. Burch have to this my will consisting of one sheet of
 paper set my hand and seal this 18th day of March 1874.

John M. Burch *his Seal*

Signed, Sealed, published and enclosed by the above named John M. Burch
 as his last will and testament in presence of us who at his request in the presence
 of each other have subscribed our names as witnesses hereto,

Fields Patterson.

Ira A. Sisson.

A. M. Brown, Jr.

In the name of God,
I, John M. Burch of the
state of Georgia, being
of sound mind and memory, and
my own free will, do hereby make and publish
my last will and testament, hereby revoking
any and all wills heretofore made by me.
I give and bequeath unto my dear wife, Mrs. Mary Burch,
all that certain tract of land containing
eighty acres of land, situate in the 18th
town of Gilmer County, Georgia, and on the same consisting
of blue head of hogs and
all the furniture, Beds and bed-
ding, also one grist mill
and other things belonging to me
at my death, such as money
and things whereof I the said John
M. Burch consisting of one sheet of
the 18th day of March 1874.
John M. Burch
Witnessed by the above named John M. Burch
of us who at his request in the presence
of us witnesses hereto,
Fields Patterson,
Ira A. Sisson,
A. W. Brown, J.P.

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Georgia } Personally came Fields Patterson
Gilmer County } one of the subscribers to the within
and foregoing will of John M. Burch
late of said County deceased, who being duly sworn
says that the same contains the true last will and
testament of said deceased. That deceased was at
the time of its execution of sound and disposing
mind and memory, and executed the same volun-
tarily and without any undue influence, and
that the deceased signed said will with a
full knowledge of its contents and in the presence
of deponent and Ira A. Sisson, and A. W. Brown,
all of whom witnessed the same in his presence
and of each other at his special instance and
request, and deponent files said will in the
Office of Ordinary that it may be admitted to
Probate in common form, and put upon
record. Sworn to and subscribed before me
Aug. 6th 1883.
Fields C. Patterson,
J. C. Allen,
Ordinary.

The last will and testament of John M.
Burch late of said County deceased having
been this day brought into open court and duly
filed, and probated in common form by the af-
fidavit of Fields C. Patterson one of the subscribing
witnesses, and the same appearing regular and
in due form, ordered by the Court that the same
be declared probated in common form, and be
admitted to record.
Gilmer Court of Ordinary } J. C. Allen
Aug. 6th 1883. } Ordinary

State of Georgia In The name of God Amen
 Gilmer County I William Goble of said State 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.
 do Therefore make this my last will and testament
 hereby revoking all others heretofore made by me.
Item 1st I desire and direct that my body be buried
 in a decent and Christianlike manner. My soul
 I trust shall return to rest with God who gave it,
 as I hope for eternal salvation through Christ.
Item 2nd I desire and direct that all my just debts be paid
 without delay by my executors hereinafter appointed and I
 am unwilling my creditors should be delayed in their
 rights especially as there is no necessity for delay.
Item 3rd I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Elisabeth
 Goble and my son John R. Goble lots of land numbers
 113 west half. 112. number 111 commencing on the east
 line at a branch thence with said branch west to the
 original line being the south part. Number 142, commencing
 on the west line at a branch thence down said
 branch to the creek thence east to the mouth of a dry ditch
 thence to the creek thence the creek to the head at the
 Goble thence due east through said lot and through
 147. all of said lands being in the 12th Dist and 2^d Section
 Gilmer County, and at the death of Elisabeth Goble
 all of said lands to belong to John R. Goble.
Item 4th I give bequeath and devise to my son William H. Goble
 lots of land number 118 South half. 111. North of a line described
 in Item 3rd. 142 and 147. North of a line described in Item 3rd.
 146 South half. 32 road of the south side of 143. All of said
 lands being in the 12th Dist and 2^d Section Gilmer County.
Item 5th I give bequeath and devise to my four daugh-
 ters Isabella Pickett. Elisabeth S. Griffith. Anna M. Bryan
 and Nancy A. Goble lots of land number 143.
 except 32 road off of south side of said lot.

name of God. Amen -
 I Goble of said State and
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 portion of the property
 ce has blessed me,
 last will and testament
 e before made by me,
 That my body be buried
 ke manner. My soul
 with God who gave it,
 e Through Christ.
 all my just debts be paid
 hereinafter appointed, as I
 could be delayed in their
 necessity for delay.
 to my beloved wife Elizabeth
 e lots of land numbers
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 said branch west to the
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 to the mouth of a dry ditch
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 said lot and through
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 ath of Elizabeth Goble
 o John R. Goble,
 rise to my son William F. Goble
 . 111. North of a line described
 a line described in item 3rd,
 th side of 143. All of said
 Section Gilmer County,
 Devise to my four daugh-
 Griffith. Mann M. Bryan
 land number 143,
 the side of said lot,

110 north half, 146 north half, 109 & 144, all of
 said lands being in the 12th Dist and 2nd Section
 also 32 road off of the South side of number
 317. - 11th Dist and Second section Gilmer County,
 said lands to be equally divided between said heirs,
Item 6th I give and bequeath to my two daughters
 Mary Gartrell and Sarah Gartrell one hundred
 dollars each with the lands which I have deeded
 them making them equal with my other heirs,
Item 7th - I reserve all the mineral interest of every
 kind of the lands described in Item 3rd - 4th - 5th and
 6th from any one portion of my heirs, to be equally
 divided amongst all my heirs.
Item 8th I hereby constitute and appoint my son
 William F. Goble and my son-in-law Edwin T. Gartrell
 executors of this my last will and testament
 this March 11th 1879.

William ^{his} ~~mark~~ Goble LS

Signed sealed declared and published by
 William Goble as his last will and Testament
 in the presence of us the subscribers who subscribed
 our names hereto in the presence of said testator
 at his special instance and request and of each
 other. March 11th 1879.

J. Pickett,
 E. M. Young, J.P.
 E. P. Watson,

Georgia } We do solemnly swear that this
 Gilmer County } writing contains the true last will
 of Wm Goble deceased so far as
 we know or believe and that we will well and
 truly execute the same in accordance with the laws
 of this state, So help us God, Sworn to and subscribed
 before me Aug. 6th 1883.

J. C. Allen }
 Ordg. }
 Wm F. Goble.
 E. T. ^{his} Gartrell.

Georgia Personally came E. P. Watson
 Wilkes County, E. M. Young, & T. Pickett, who
 being duly sworn, and afterwards
 orally examined, say that the within writing con-
 tains the last will and testament of Wm Goble, late
 of said County deceased so far as they know or be-
 lieve, that the same was signed by deceased with
 a full knowledge of its contents, and in the
 presence of deponents who signed the same as sub-
 scribing witnesses, at the special instance and
 request of the testator in the presence of each
 other and on the day therein named, that at
 the time of the execution of said will, the de-
 ceased was of sound and disposing mind and
 memory, and appeared to execute said will
 voluntarily, and without any undue influence
 Sworn to & subscribed before me, Aug 6th 1883.

J. C. Allen } E. P. Watson
 Wm. G. } E. M. Young.
 T. Pickett.

Personally came E. P. Watson
M. Young & T. Pickett, who
duly sworn, and afterwards
that the within writing con-
taining testament of Wm Goble, late
so far as they know or be-
lieve signed by deceased with
its contents, and in the
presence of the same as sub-
scribed the special instance and
in the presence of each
of them named. That at
the time of said will, the de-
ceased disposing mind and
to execute said will
without any undue influence
before me, Aug. 6th 1883.
E. P. Watson
E. M. Young.
T. Pickett.

May the 11th 1884 at my death
I want my wife Nancy Burnett to have
all of my property to control as her property
and at her death I want Nancy Burnett
to have one horse and 11 S Burnett
one horse and all the rest of my property
to be so equally divided between the
husband or the children after my debts is
payed out of it this I of B Burnett
have made in the presence of my family
and after my death I do want it recorded
to stand stand good and it is not to be
changed nor added to

James B Burnett
Testers my hand
J L Storer
James A Hummons
James B Burnett

Georgia By Special declared and
Gwin County published by James
B Burnett as his last
will and testament in said in the presence
of the subscribers who subscribe our
names hereto and did on the foregoing
page in the presence of the testator at his
special instance and request and of
each other in the testator with a full
knowledge of the contents of the will
having authorized and directed his
signature to be subscribed to said will
in our presence and we attesting the
same in his presence May 11th 1884

J L Storer
J A Hummons
J B Burnett

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Georgia Personally came James
 Palmer County W. Burnett who on oath
 says that the within and
 foregoing will is the last will and
 testament of James D. Burnett deceased
 so far as he knows and that the same
 was duly signed and witnessed as testi-
 fied on this paper that the deceased
 at the time of executing the same was
 of sound and disposing mind memory
 and fully understood the contents and
 dependent matters therein and that the
 same may be admitted as proven in
 common form sworn to and subscribed
 before me July 7th 1854 James D. Burnett
 J. C. Allen
 (Ordinary)

State of Georgia I William Watkins
 Ordinary for said State and
 County knowing that
 I must shortly depart this life I therefore
 make this my last will and testament
 first I direct that all my just debts be
 paid at once by my Executors herein
 after mentioned
 Second I give and bequeath to my beloved
 wife Rebecca during her natural
 life my mill and the land 120 acres
 more or less upon which it is situated
 the same being in 1754 7 and 7 1/2 section
 also my stock of every kind wagon
 farming tools house hold and kitchen
 furniture 3rd I give and bequeath
 to my daughter Anna Bradford and
 her husband James Bradford forty

Personally came James
W. Burnett who on oath
says that the within and
the last will and
testament of said
deceased and that the same
and witnessed as such
her that the deceased
executing the same was
of sound mind memory
understand the contents and
this affidavit that the
witnesses as sworn in
before me and subscribed
to 1884) James W. Burnett

I Henry Watkins
of said state and
County knowing the
contents of this will and testament
my just debts be
by my Executors herein

with to my beloved
during her natural
life the land 120 acres
which is situated
in the 17th 7th East 2nd section
every kind wagon
house sled and kitchen
give and bequeath
Anna Bradford and
James Bradford forty

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acres of land more or less of lot 140
in the 7th East and 2nd section in said county
the same being on the east side of said lot
except the 40 acres more or less owned by
Rutha Collins provided my daughter and
her husband shall take care and main-
tain myself and my wife Rebecca during
our natural lives 4th I want all debts
due me or what moneys I might have
on hand at my death after paying all
my debts and the necessary expenses
of winding up my business divided
equally amongst my heirs also all
other loose property & property given to
my wife after her death 5th I hereby
constitute and appoint my friends E. W.
Watkins and L. M. Greer Executors of
this my last will and testament this the
27th day of September 1883

Henry Watkins (Seal)

Signed, sealed and delivered by Henry
Watkins as his last will and testament
in the presence of us the undersigned
who subscribed our names hereto in the
presence of said testator at his special
instance and request and in the presence
of each other September 27th 1883

Attest E. W. Watkins
Attest E. W. Watkins

Enoch O. Watkins (Seal)
Leander Blunder (Seal)
L. M. Greer (Seal)
E. W. Watkins (Seal)

George Gilmer County I me L. M. Greer who being
duly sworn say that he
with Enoch O. Watkins Leander Blunder
and E. W. Watkins and Henry Watkins the

matter of the foregoing will sign and
 publish the same as his will and testa-
 ment with a full knowledge of its
 contents and that disponent with the
 witnesses above named, attested the
 same at the special instance and
 request of the testator and in his pre-
 sence and of each other that said
 foregoing will was executed by the
 testator voluntarily and while of
 sound memory and discretion sworn
 to and subscribed before me September
 1st 1884

J. C. Allen,
 Attorney

Item 1st

Item 2nd

Item 3rd

Item 4th

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and discretion sworn
ed before me September
L. M. Greer

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State of Georgia: In the name of God Amen
Pickens County, I Wilkie McMan of said
State and County knowing
the uncertainty of human life deem it both
as respects my family and self right and
proper that I should a disposition of the
property with which a kind providence has
blessed me. do therefore make this my last
Will and Testament hereby revoking all others
heretofore made by me

- Item 1st I desire and direct that my body be buried
in a decent Christianlike manner. My Soul
I trust will return to rest with God who gave it,
as I hope for Salvation through the merits of
the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ whose reli-
gion I have professed for years
- Item 2^d I desire and direct my executrix herein after
named and appointed to pay all my just
debts without unnecessary delay
- Item 3 I give bequath and devise to my beloved
Wife Lucinda lots of land Numbers Forty
Six, Forty Seven and ten Acres of lot No 62 all
in the 13th district and Second Section of said
County and all of my Town lots in the Town
of Jasper in said County Not recollectd
known as the. Alanson McMan place also two
Acres of lot number Seventeen (17) in the 13th & 2^d
that described in a deed that I hold from H B
Johnson. also all of my Personal property such
as Mules Horses. Oxen, Cows, Yearlings, Calves
hogs, Sheep Poultry & Stock of Every description
as well as all moneys notes, accounts, Merchandise
Corn, Wheat, Oats Rye, Podder &c for and during
her natural life, to use have enjoy and Contrall
to raise my Children upon
- Item 4th I desire and do direct and empower my
Wife as executrix to sell at private or public

- Sale any of the above property that she may desire to pay debts & also buy and sell the same as I might do were I living. To execute all receipts & deeds & that may become necessary in buying and selling all of said property as well as the profits arising therefrom to my Wifes free from the Control or liability of any future husband that she may marry.
- Item 5th I desire and direct that my Wife shall give off to my children ~~when~~ they become of age such Summs as advances as she may be able not to exceed the Sum of two hundred Dollars unless she may be fully able so to do, it being my intention that all my children be made equal.
- Item 6th I desire and direct that all my property with its increase at my Wifes death that has not been disposed of by my Wife in her lifetime in raising and schooling my children shall be equally divided amongst to wit Sarah C. Wife of Harrison McHou, James T. Bamy & William F. Melkie & Mary Ida. Mothers that my Wife may have the use.
- Item 7th I desire and direct that there be no affairs - must of my estate after my death no any public Sale of any of my property neither shall my executrix be required to make annual returns of her doings and doings to the Ordinarys Court as required in the law of administrations it being my intention that my said Wife as executrix shall have enjoy and Control all of my property real and personal to buy sell and trade on and continue to do business the same as I have done and at her death to be equally divided amongst my children.
- Item 8th I do hereby constitute and appoint my beloved wife Lucinda Executrix of this my last Will and Testament in witnesses

ve property that she may
to also buy and sell the
ever I live. To execute
to that may become necessary
selling all of said property
its arising therefrom to my
Contract or liability of
and that she may may
that my wife shall give
when they become of age
advances as she may be
the sum of two hundred
he may be fully able so to
tection that all my children

that all my property with
my wife's death that has
of by my wife in her life
and schooling my children
divided amongst to wit
Lawson McHau, James J. Bamy
Mary, Ida, & others that
we be me

that there be no apprais
after my death no any
of my property neither shall
be required to make annual returns
going to the Ordinary Court
law of administrations it
that my said wife as
and personal to buy sell and
me to do business the same
at her death to be equally
my children
stitute and appoint my
in da Executor of this my
statement in witnesses

whereof I have hereto set my hand and seal
this day of 1871

Wilkie McHau ESQ

Signed and published by Wilkie McHau as
his last Will and Testament in our presence
as witnesses thereto by his request and in
presence of each other this day of
1871

John B. Howell
W M Davis
A E Davis

Georgia
Gilmer County, I A E Davis do swear that
I as well as W M Davis and J B Howell
saw the within named Wilkie McHau sign
and publish the within paper as his last
Will and Testament: that I subscribed the same
as a witness thereto at the special instance and
request of the said Wilkie McHau and in
his presence as did also W M Davis and J B
Howell: that the said Wilkie McHau signed
the same freely and voluntarily and was at the
time of such signing of sound and disposing
mind and memory, sworn to and subscribed
before me this 30th day of March 1885
J C Allen
Ordinary

Upon the foregoing affidavit of A E Davis
one of the subscribing witnesses to the within
Will of Wilkie McHau deceased it is ordered
by the Court that the said Will be admitted
to record as satisfactory proven in Common
form: it is further ordered that Letters Testamentary
issue to Susan McHau Executrix named in said Will
upon her taking and subscribing the oath required
by Law this 6th day of April 1885
J C Allen ordinary

Georgia } I Lucinda McHale do
 Wilkes County } solemnly swear that this
 writing contains the true last will of
 the within named Wilkie McHale deceased
 so far as I know or believe and that I will
 well and truly execute the same in accordance
 with the laws of this State So help me God
 Sworn to and Subscribed }
 before me this 6 day of } Lucinda McHale
 April 1885 }
 J C Allen Esq

State of Georgia } In the name of God Amen
 Wilkes County } I Selden Tucker of said
 State and County being of advanced age but
 of sound and disposing mind and memory
 knowing that I must shortly 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, I do therefore make this my last
 Will and Testament, hereby revoking and annul-
 ling all others by me heretofore made
 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, as I hope for Salvation through the merits and
 atonement of the blessed Lord and Saviour Jesus
 Christ
 I desire and direct that all my just debts be
 paid without delay by my Executor hereinafter
 named and appointed

First

Second

Third I give and bequeath
 of two to
 need price
 Fourth I give and bequeath
 of fifty to
 Fifth I give a
 share of
 Sixth I give and bequeath
 to Bell
 (\$111) doll
 Seventh I give and bequeath
 Miller
 three \$10
 Eighth I give and bequeath
 Wilson
 dollars
 Ninth I give and bequeath
 Caledonia
 Smith
 dollar
 Tenth I hereby
 bequeath
 Testament
 Eleventh It is my
 last will
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 Twelfth It is my
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 part of

I Lucinda McHarr do
Solemnly Swear that this
is the true last will and
testament of Wilkie McHarr deceased
or believe and that I will
execute the same in accordance
with the State So help me God
Witness
of 3 Lucinda McHarr

In the name of God Amen
I Aulden Tucker of said
being of advanced age but
sane mind and memory
not shortly this life deem
both as respects my family
I should make a disposition
which a kind providence
therefore make this my last
will hereby revoking and annulling
heretofore made
that my body be buried in a
like manner suitable to
and condition in life my soul
to rest with God who gave
it through the merits and
blood of Lord and Saviour Jesus
Christ
that all my just debts be
paid by my Executor hereinafter
named

- Third I give and bequeath to my Son Archibald the sum
of two hundred (\$200) dollars as the balance (Interest
and principal) of an old debt due him from me
- Fourth I give and bequeath to my Son Clinton C. the sum
of fifty two (\$52) dollars
- Fifth I give and bequeath to my Son George W. the
sum of seventy five (\$75) dollars
- Sixth I give and bequeath to my Daughter Lucinda
Isbell the sum of one hundred and eleven
(\$111) dollars
- Seventh I give and bequeath to my daughter Amanda
Miller the sum of one hundred and twenty
three (\$123) dollars
- Eighth I give and bequeath to my Daughter Martha
Wilson the sum of one hundred and one (\$101)
dollars
- Ninth I give and bequeath to Robert C. James H. and
Caledonia heirs of my daughter Mary Anne
Smith deceased the sum of ninety nine (\$99)
dollars
- Tenth I hereby constitute and appoint my Son Clinton
C. Tucker Executor of this my last Will and
Testament
- Eleventh It is my will and pleasure that said Executor
have power to sell all my real estate and personal
- at property at private or public sale as he may
think best
- Twelfth It is further my Will and pleasure that my Exec-
utor have authority to make an arrangement
with my Son Cornelius M. whereby the land
deeded by me to him may be sold with my land
and if said arrangement can be made I desire
that Cornelius M. have one third and one hundred
dollars of the proceeds of the sale of said lands
but if the above arrangement cannot be made
between my Executor and my Son Cornelius M.
I consider that he has already received his
part of my estate

- Thirtieth I give and bequeath to my son Elijah Tucker an account held by me against him of one hundred and fifty (\$150) dollars
- Fortieth I give and bequeath to my son William an account held by me against him of one hundred and fifty (\$150) dollars
- Fiftieth I further give and bequeath to my son Archibald an account against him of one hundred and fifty (\$150) dollars
- Sixtieth I give and bequeath to my son James an account against him of one hundred and fifty (\$150) dollars
- Seventieth I further give and bequeath to my daughter Lucinda Isbell an account against her of thirty nine (\$39) dollars
- Eightieth I further give and bequeath to my daughter Amanda Miller an account against her of Twenty Seven (\$27) Dollars
- Ninety I further give and bequeath to my daughter Martha Wilson an account against her of Forty nine (\$49) dollars
- Twentieth I further give and bequeath to the heirs of my daughter Mary Ann Smith deceased an account against her of fifty one (\$51) dollars
- Twenty first I further give and bequeath to my son Clinton an account against him of ninety eight (\$98) dollars
- Twenty second I further give and bequeath to my son George W an account against him of Seventy five (\$75) dollars
- Twenty third I give and bequeath to my beloved Wife Elizabeth all that remains after the above distribution has been made. The property devised and bequeathed in the above article to my Wife is in full extinguishment of her whole right of Dower in my real estate. It is further my Will and pleasure that my daughters receive from my Executor their portions first

Aulden Tucker (S)

Signed Sealed
Tucker as his
presence of us
our names her
at his Special
the presence of
September 18th

Georgia
Gilmer County
Miller & Co
Tucker Sign
as his last Will
Subscribed the
Special instance
Tucker and in
that Aulden &
and voluntarily
ing of said
Sibson to and S
December 18
J C Allen

Upon the foregoing
the Subscribing
deceased it is to
be admitted to
Common form
issue to C C &
in said Will, &
the oath required

to my son Elijah Tucker
by me against him of one
hundred (\$100) dollars
to my son William an
account against him of one hundred
dollars
bequeath to my son Archibald
an account against him of one hundred and
fifty (\$150) dollars
to my son James an account
against him of one hundred and fifty (\$150)
dollars
bequeath to my daughter
an account against her of
fifty (\$50) dollars
bequeath to my daughter Susan
an account against her of Twenty Seven (27)
dollars
bequeath to my daughter Martha
an account against her of Forty nine (49)
dollars
bequeath to the heirs of my daughter
deceased an account against
them of one hundred and fifty (\$150)
dollars
bequeath to my son Clinton
an account against him of ninety eight (\$98) dollars
bequeath to my son George W
an account against him of seventy five (\$75) dollars
to my beloved Wife Elizabeth
after the above distribution has
been made and bequeathed
to my Wife is in full entire
whole right of Dower in my
estate my Will and personal
effects from my
estate first
Aulden Tucker

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Signed Sealed declared and published by Aulden
Tucker as his last Will and Testament in the
presence of us the undersigned who subscribed
our names hereto in the presence of said Testator
at his Special instance and request and in
the presence of each other
September 18th 1877

J F Pettit
J W Pettit
D B Miller

Georgia } I George W Pettit do swear that
Gilmer County } I as well as J F Pettit and D B
Miller saw the within named Aulden
Tucker sign and publish the within paper
as his last Will and Testament. that we all
subscribed the same as Witnesses thereto at the
Special instance and request of said Aulden
Tucker and in his presence and of each other
that Aulden Tucker signed the same freely
and voluntarily and was at the time of such sign-
ing of said and disposing mind and memory
sound to and subscribed before me the 5th day of
December 1885
J C Allen Ordry

Upon the foregoing affidavit of J W Pettit one of
the subscribing witnesses to the Will of Aulden
deceased it is ordered by the Court that said Will
be admitted to record as satisfactorily proven in
Common form and that letters Testamentary
issue to C C Tucker the executor therein named
in said Will, upon his taking and subscribing
the oath required by law this Dec 5th 1885
J C Allen
Ordinary

Georgia
 Wilmer County
 I, C. C. Tucker do solemnly swear that this writing contains the true last Will of the within named Andrew Tucker deceased so far as I know or believe and that I will well and truly execute the same in accordance with the laws of this State. So help me God
 Sworn to and Subscribed
 before me this Dec 3rd 1885, C. C. Tucker
 J. C. Allen
 Ordinary

Georgia
 Wilmer County
 And knowing the life, Order it right ~~my~~ family and disposition of it providence has this my last will all others heretofore
 Item 1st I desire and in a decent and to my circumstance my soul I trust who gave it, as through the mercies Lord and Saviour
 Item 2nd I desire and be paid without after appointed, and should be delay as there is no
 Item 3rd I desire that shall have fifty described as follows Southeast corner forty eight, Sixth Wilmer County, Georgia forty four rods and lot. Thence to road that it will include a little more road bridge. Then the rods up the creek, the original east side of lot of lot 24th District and all the east of

C. C. Tucker do solemnly
swear that this writing con-
stitutes the will of the within named
person so far as I know or
will well and truly
accordance with the
law of the State of Georgia
So help me God
Witness my hand and seal
this 1st day of August
1885, C. C. Tucker

Georgia In the name of God, Amen:-
Wilmer County, I William Mashburn of said State
and County, being of advanced age
and knowing that I must shortly depart this
life. Order 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 1st I desire and direct that my body be buried
in a decent and Christianlike manner, suitable
to my circumstances and conditions in life.
My soul I trust shall return to rest with God
who gave it, as I hope for eternal salvation
through the merits and atonement of the blessed
Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Item 2nd I desire and direct that all my just debts
be paid without delay by my executors herein-
after appointed, as I am unwilling my creditors
should be delayed in their rights, especially
as there is no necessity for it.

Item 3rd I desire that my wife Mary Ann Mashburn
shall have fifty acres of land more or less to be
described as follows; to commence at the original
southeast corner of lot of land two hundred and
forty eight, sixth district and second section of
Wilmer County, State of Georgia, thence to run
forty four rods west on the south line of said
lot. Thence to run a little east of north, so
that it will include the entire horse lot, thence
a little more east to the upper edge of the present
bridge. Then the creek to the line for forty
rods up the creek, thence to run east of north to
the original east and west line on the north
side of lot of land two hundred and forty seven
sixth district and second section. She to have
all the east of said described line, also the

use of timber to keep up the said described prop-
erty. She to have enough of the household and kitchen
furniture to keep her comfortable, also one horse
or mule and four head of cattle and six head of
hogs, also the wagon that I may be in possession
of at the time of my death. The above donations
to my wife she is to hold during her natural
life or widowhood, and in case of her marriage
or death then it is to revert to my two sons
William and Thomas.

Item 4th I desire That the remainder of my property
to go to my two sons William and Thomas.

Item 5th I hereby constitute and appoint my beloved
wife Mary Ann Mashburn, and my beloved
friend Jackson Ayers the guardians of the
person and property of my two sons William
and Thomas.

Item 6th I hereby constitute and appoint my beloved
wife Mary Ann Mashburn and my worthy
friend Jackson Ayers, Executors of this my last
will and testament. This March 14th 1885.

W^m Mashburn. SS

Signed Sealed Declared and published by
W^m Mashburn as his last will and testament in
in the presence of us the subscribers, who subscribed
our names hereto, in the presence of said testator
at his special instance and request, and of each
other, This March 14th 1885.

Witnesses

M. J. West.
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L. J. West.
R. B. Evans.
A. J. West.

Georgia } We M. J. West. R. B. Evans & W. J. West.
Wilkes County } do swear that we and each of us, saw the
within named William Mashburn, sign and
publish the within paper, as his last will and testament,
that we and each of us subscribed the same as witnesses,
thereto at the special instance and request of the said
William Mashburn, and in his presence, and in the presence
of each other, That the said W^m Mashburn signed the
same freely and voluntarily, and was at the time of
such signing of sound and disposing mind and
memory.
Sworn to and subscribed before
me this 3rd day of May 1886.
J. C. Allen, Ordinary.

M. J. West.
R. B. Evans.
W. J. West.

Upon the foregoing affidavit of M. J. West. R. B. Evans & W. J. West,
three of the subscribing witnesses to the within will of
W^m Mashburn deceased, it is ordered by the Court that said will
be admitted to record, as satisfactorily proven in common
form and it is further ordered that letters testamentary
issue to Jackson Ayers and Mary Ann Mashburn, the Ex-
ecutors named in said will, upon their taking and subscribing
the oath required by law. This the 3rd day of May 1886.
J. C. Allen, Ordinary.

Georgia } We Mary Ann Mashburn and Jackson Ayers
Wilkes County } do solemnly swear that this writing contains
the true last will of the within named William
Mashburn deceased, as far as we know or believe, and that we
will well and truly execute the same, in accordance with
the laws of this state, So help us God,
Mary A. Mashburn,
Jackson Ayers,

Sworn to and subscribed before me,
this May 3rd 1886.
J. C. Allen,
Ordinary.

State of Georgia } In the name of God, Amen,
 Gilman County } J. William Meece Sen. of said
 State and County, being of advanced
 age, but of sound and disposing mind and memory,
 knowing that I must shortly depart this life,
 deem it right and proper both as respects myself
 and family that I should make a disposition
 of the property with which a kind providence
 has blessed me I do therefore make this my
 last will and testament hereby revoking
 and annulling all others by me heretofore made.

First: I desire and direct that my body be buried
 in a decent and Christianlike manner suitable
 to my circumstances and condition in life, my
 soul I trust shall return to rest with God who
 gave it, as I hope for salvation through
 the merits and atonement of the blessed
 Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Secondly: I desire and direct that all my just debts
 be paid without delay by my Executor herein-
 after appointed and named.

Thirdly: I give bequeath and devise to my beloved sons
 William J. Meece & John P. Meece lot of land
 number (68.) sixty eight in (10.) tenth District and
 (2.) second section of Gilman County, containing
 one hundred and sixty acres, for to maintain
 my beloved wife Harriet S. Meece during her
 life time or widowhood, with all the rights
 members and appurtenances to said lot of land
 in anywise belonging in fee simple to their
 own proper use benefit and behoof forever, with
 full power to dispose of the same by will or
 otherwise as they may deem proper.

Fourthly: I give bequeath and devise to my beloved
 children Henry A. Meece, Arena Clark wife of
 J. K. Clark and her heirs, Nancy S. Clark wife of
 Wm. H. Clark, A. S. Meece, Sillie C. Bevel
 daughter of Ann Bevel wife of Henry R. Bevel,

I, J. H. M.
 John P.
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 friend of the
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 J. W. Meece
 This June

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Bevel wife of Henry R. Bevel.

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I, H. Meece, Marriet E. Meece, Wm J. Meece, and
John P. Meece the residuary of my property both real and
personal wherever and whatever it may be,
I hereby constitute and appoint my friend David
Garren, Executor of this my last will and testament
This July 29th day 1882.

William Meece Sen. Esq.
Signed sealed declared and published by William
Meece Sen. as his last will and testament in the
presence of us the undersigned, who subscribed our
names hereto, in the presence of said testator
at his special instance and request and in the pres-
ence of each other, This July 29th day 1882.

J. M. Sellers,
M. Jones,
David Garren,

Georgia } I, J. M. Sellers do swear that I as well as
Gilman County } M. Jones & David Garren saw the within named
Wm Meece sign and publish the within paper
as his last will and testament, that I subscribed the same as
a witness, at the special instance and request of the said
Wm Meece, and in his presence as also did M. Jones and
David Garren. That the said Wm Meece signed the
same freely and voluntarily and was at the time
of such signing of sound and disposing mind and
memory. J. M. Sellers.

Sworn to & subscribed before me
this 3rd day of Sept 1886.

J. C. Allen, Ordinary.

Upon the foregoing affidavit of J. M. Sellers
one of the subscribing witnesses to the within will
of Wm Meece deceased, it is ordered by the Court
that said will be admitted to record as satisfac-
torily proven in common form, and it is further
ordered that letters testamentary issue to David
Garren the executor named in said will upon

his taking and subscribing the oath required
by law. This the 3rd day of Sept. 1886.

J. C. Allen, Ordinary.

Georgia } I, David Warren do solemnly swear
Gilmer County, } That this writing contains the true
last will of the within named
William Mace deceased, deceased, so far as I
know or believe and that I will well and truly
execute the same in accordance with the laws
of this state. So help me God.

David Warren

Sworn to & subscribed before me,
Sept. 3rd 1886.

J. C. Allen, Clerk

State of Georgia
Gilmer County

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and thirteen, all being
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Gilmer County, Ga.

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