

## Last Will and Testament of Samuel Hart decd.

State of Georgia

Glascock County

In the name of God, Amen.

I Samuel Hart 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 it respects my family and myself, that I should make a disposition of the property with which a kind Providence has blessed me, and being of sound mind and disposing memory do therefore make and ordain this my last will and testament, hereby revoking all other wills heretofore made by me.

Item 1<sup>st</sup> I desire 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 eternal salvation through the merits and atonement of the blessed Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, whose religion I have professed, and as I humbly trust, enjoyed for many years.

Item 2<sup>nd</sup> I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Diza the sum of six hundred dollars, to paid to her immediately after my demise by my Executors to be hereinafter mentioned, I also give and bequeath unto her my said wife Diza, the use and Control of the two East-rooms of my house in which I now live, together with the three beds tables and other furniture belonging or usually staying in said two rooms during her natural life, also the privilege of the yard and garden, Also I give and bequeath to her my buggy and Mare, and should the Mare die, her place to be supplied by my Executors. It is my will and I further direct that my two Sons, viz- William and Absolum Hart, in and for Consideration of what I have done for them, do give my said wife Diza a decent support during her natural life, to keep the buggy devised above in repair, and supply a horse or mare for her to drive, should the one devised above fail, and allow her to remain in my house as above devised in peace and quiet: Should they fail or refuse to do so, I direct that the Ordinary of said County upon sufficient evidence of the fact: issue execution against my said two Sons, and sell enough of their property to give her the necessary support. All this I give and bequeath unto my said wife Diza, upon Condition that she abide by this will, should she refuse to abide by it, and claim Dower in my lands, then she is not to have the six hundred dollars, or a support from my two Sons as named above.

but only the Dower she may obtain, and the buggy and mare is all that I give her of my personal estate.

Item 3<sup>rd</sup> I have given to my Son Randolph J. Hart, five hundred dollars in Cash, I give him no share in my estate except the following notes which I hold against him, viz, one note for thirteen hundred and fifty three dollars and eighty cents, dated Jan. 1<sup>st</sup> 1859, and due one day after date, one note for one thousand and forty three dollars, and fifty four cents dated Feb. 11<sup>th</sup> 1863 and due one day after date, one note for one thousand dollars dated Feb. 11. 1863. and due one day after date, and all other notes of which I may be possessed due from said Randolph J. Hart to me, and I direct my executors to surrender said notes to him or his legal representative.

Item 4<sup>th</sup> I give to my grand Daughter Mary Ann, daughter of my deceased Son Barnabas, three hundred dollars, in Cash, this is the extent of her interest in my estate.

Item 5<sup>th</sup> I give, bequeath and devise the balance of my estate both real and personal, to the following named Children, viz, Isaac, Isabel (the wife of Samuel Beall) Elizabeth (the wife of H. J. Adkins) William, Absolom, Mary Ann (the wife of Dawson Johnson) and Martha (the wife of Lewis Johnson) in manner and form following, viz, The property in this Item to be equally divided among the seven named Children—thus To my two Sons, William and Absolom, I give all my lands to be accounted to them at five dollars per acre, that is they must pay into my estate or charge themselves as though they had paid it, the amount my lands would bring at five dollars per acre, this added to the residue of my estate making whatever amount it may—Out of this amount five hundred dollars is to be paid to William, five hundred to Absolom, five hundred to Mary Ann, and five hundred to Martha, to make them even to what has already been advanced to the others, then the balance of said amount to equally divided among the seven as named in this Item.

Item 6<sup>th</sup> Should either of my Sons, William or Absolom, or both die and leave no living Child, in that Case I direct that his or their Land revert to my estate.

Item 7<sup>th</sup> Should my wife Dixie refuse to abide by this will, It is my will and I so direct, that my two Sons William and Absolom, still to take the land subject to Dower, at the same price, my daughters Mary Ann and Martha not to receive the five hundred dollars each as given in Item 5<sup>th</sup>. The notes, money and accounts of my estate to be equally divided among the five following named Children, viz, Isaac, Isabel, wife of Samuel Beall, Elizabeth, wife of H. J. Adkins, William, Absolom, Mary Ann, and Martha.

for two thirds of the land should my wife take Dower, the proceeds, of which to be equally divided among the seven children named in Item 5<sup>th</sup> of this will.

Item 8<sup>th</sup>

I hereby constitute and appoint my two Sons, viz. William and Absolom Hart Executors of this my last will and testament this April 27<sup>th</sup> 1872.

One line erased on page 3<sup>rd</sup> and several words interlined before signing

Samuel Hart - [PS]

Signed, Sealed, declared and published by Samuel Hart 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 request) and of each other, this April 27<sup>th</sup> 1872.

Isaac F. Adkins  
Walter Thompson  
William <sup>his</sup> Swint-  
marks

Georgia Glassecock County, January term, Court of Ordinary 1886  
We each of us do solemnly swear that this writing contains the true last will of the within named Samuel Hart deceased, so far as either of us know or believe and we, each, 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. } William Hart  
this January 4<sup>th</sup> 1886 } Absolom Hart  
F. L. Calhoun, Ordinary G. C.

State of Georgia  
Glassecock County, January term 1886 of Court of Ordinary.  
Came in open Court at this Regular ~~term~~ January term of said Court - Walter Thompson and William Swint each of whom being duly sworn depose and say that They each with Isaac F. Adkins saw Samuel Hart sign and publish the instrument to which this is attached as his last will and testament while he was of sound and disposing mind and memory, that They with said Adkins witnessed the same for him at his request, in his presence, and that of each other, and that the same was executed freely and voluntarily by him on the day it purports to have been done or executed.  
Sworn to and subscribed before me }  
this January 4<sup>th</sup> 1886 } Walter Thompson  
F. L. Calhoun, Ordinary G. C. } <sup>his</sup> Swint-  
marks

State of Georgia

Glascock County

I. J. S. Calhoun Ordinary of said County do hereby certify that the foregoing three pages contains a true copy of the last will and testament of Samuel Hart late of said County deceased, as pronounced in open Court by the Executors named in said will, in common form of law, at the regular January term 1886 of the Court of Ordinary of said County.

J. S. Calhoun Ordinary

# Last Will and Testament of Larkin Wilcher deceased.

State of Georgia

Glascock County

In the name of God - Amen.

I Larkin Wilcher Sr 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 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 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 of the Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Second.. I desire that all my just debts be paid by my Executors hereinafter named and appointed.

Thirdly.. I give and bequeath to my beloved son James L. Wilcher upon the following agreement and conditions herein after explained all my real estate Consisting of Three Hundred acres of land more or less lying and being in the County and State aforesaid on the waters of Little Creek. it being the land and premises whereon I reside at this time. the said lands adjoining lands of J. C. A. & W. G. Wilcher on the South and West. W. W. Hitchens on the North and J. P. Allen on the East with all the rights. members and appurtenances to said lot of land to his own proper use. benefit and behoof forever with full power to dispose of the same by will or otherwise as he may deem proper. with the exception of ten acres of the said described land that I give and bequeath to my Daughter Polly Wilcher for a home for her during her natural life. and it is my will and desire that at her death the said ten acres of land with all the appurtenances thereto to belong to the said Polly. - Daughter - Mary Wilcher if then in life for her own use.