

Sworn to before me in open Court this Sept 5th 1865 J. M. Neal, Notary

Georgia Gaden } In the name of God, Amen
 County } I, Absolam Butler of said
 and County being of advanced age and feeble
 that I must shortly depart from this world do
 it right and proper both as respects myself and
 family that I should make a disposition of the
 estate which a kind Providence has blessed
 therefore make this my last will and Testament
 revoking and annulling all others heretofore
 by me then first I desire and direct that my
 be buried in a decent and Christian like man-
 nerable to circumstances and conditions my
 I trust shall return to rest with God who I
 I hope for eternal salvation through the blessed
 and Saviour Jesus Christ
 I then secondly desire and direct that all my
 debts be paid without delay by my executor
 after named as I am unwilling my creditors
 be delayed of their rights especially as there is
 ability for delay
 I then thirdly desire and direct that my beloved
 Nancy with whom I have lived in the strictest
 quiet and love for forty seven years all of my
 realty of every and all kinds & descriptions both
 and personal lands Negroes Black of all kinds
 debts moneys or any other property of any kind
 belongs to me or in any wise belonging to me to
 and to live without restraint or reserve for her own
 use benefit as she may think best for her support
 maintenance and according to her own will and
 desire during her natural life as I wish and de-
 sire to live on the property free from the control
 of all other persons to her own proper benefit and
 alone and at the end of the life of my beloved
 Nancy I desire all the property belonging to her
 sold and equally divided among all my heirs ac-
 cording to law

I then fourthly I constitute and appoint my beloved
 wife Nancy Executrix and my son James of my
 unto to this my last will and Testament
 93^o 1865 - A. Butler

signed and published by said testator in the presence of us the subscribers who subscribed our names in the presence of said testator and of each other this January 23rd 1865

Wm E Carter
W W W Watts
L R Ramsey

Gordon Court of Ordinances
December adjourned Term

The within last will and testament of A Butler deceased having been produced in open court probate and two of the subscribing witnesses to said will to wit Wm E Carter and L R Ramsey who being duly sworn depose and say that they saw A Butler sign seal publish and declare the within instrument as his last will and testament freely voluntarily of his own free will and accord and without any undue influence whatever that at the time of the signing the same said testator was of sound mind and disposing mind and memory that deponents and W W W Watts signed the same as witnesses in the presence of said testator at his special instance I request and in presence of each other

W E Carter
L R Ramsey

sworn to and subscribed before me in open court
December 5th 1865

D. M. Neal Attorney

I, George J. in the name of God Amen I do hereby certify that I am of said State and being of sound mind and disposing mind and memory I depose and say that I am at this time of my own free will and proper belief 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 that I desire and direct that my body be buried in a decent and Christian-like manner suitable to the circumstances and condition in life. My soul I trust shall return to rest with God who gave it and I hope salvation through the merits and atonement of the