

Gordon County Wills 1856-1894

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written in ink by Wm H C Byrum the testator
and signed and declared and published the within instrument
and never presented to the Court as his last will
and Testament freely voluntarily and of his own
accord and without compulsion or influence
whatever that at the time of the execution thereof
said testator was of sound and disposing mind
and memory that deponents and H J Davenport
Chandler & John signed said Will as witnesses in the
presence of said Testator and as his Special witnesses
and Request and in the presence of each other.

Dated to me Open Court Sept 5 1853

Alexander Strang

Burrag

Joseph Wilson

Isaac M. Hale

Otis D. Union

I do certify that the above and foregoing is a true
Copy of the last will and Testament of Wm H C
Byrum as presented and proven in Open Court Sept
5 1853 given under my hand and seal this day
of 1853 Alexander Strang Burrag

State of Georgia ^{on} In the name of God and before
Gordon County ^{of} the witness I N E Freedell do
make this my Last will and Testament To wit
I in the 1st I do declare and bequeath that all my just
debts be paid

But I desire and bequeath that my house slave James
A Freedell shall have all my property his life time
and then to be at his disposal to wit Lot of land
No 108 in the 14 District and 3 section of Gordon
County of my horses Cattle hogs & sheep & all house hold
& kitchen furniture on which as bedsteads & clothing
for the same given under my hand & before three witnesses
This the 23 of May 1868 N. E. Freedell

Test - John Brugh
Miles D. Sherriff
D. D. Floyd
W. D. Macall

State of Georgia ^{of} County of Gordon, ^{May 3}
Gordon County ³ May Year 1871

The within instrument having been produced in
open Court by James A. Treadell as sole heir at law
Temporary Executor as the last will and Testament of
A. C. Treadell deceased for probate in Common form of
Law and Two of the witnesses to said will to wit John
Bough and D. S. Lloyd being duly sworn in open
Court deponth and saith that they doth see A. C. Treadell
wife of James A. Treadell signs seal publish and
declare the within instrument as her last will and
Testament freely, voluntarily and with out any Compul-
sion or influence what ever that they his said wife did with
consent of the presence of voice Testatotif at her
Special instance and request and in the presence of each
other and that said Miles Abernathy and D. S. Stancel
the other two witnesses to said will was also present as
witnesses as above stated

John Bough
D. S. Lloyd

Searched and Subscribed before me in open Court
This day 1 1871 D. McNeil Wadley

The above within instrument was subscribed by the voice
of A. C. Treadell in our presence and acknowledged by her to be
her last will and Testament and same at her request and
in her presence have signed our names as witnesses hereto
and written opposite our names our respective places
abreast This day 1 1871

J. John Bough of Gordon County Georgia
D. S. Lloyd of Gordon County Georgia

State of Georgia ^{of} June 18th 1871

Gordon County ³ In the name of God. A. Men.

I Edward Thomas being of sound mind and disposing
Memory and knowing the uncertainty of human life make
this my last will and testament hereby revoking all others by
me made

I desire my body to be buried in a Christian like manner
and my soul I commend to God my the true Jesus Christ
whose religion I professed and I hope I have enjoyed for
many years

State of Georgia ³ I do make my last will and Testament of Gordon County ³ May 1st 1871
 The within instrument having been produced in open Court by James A. Treadwell as sole heir and temporary Executor as the last will and testament of N. E. Treadwell deceased for probate in Common form of law and Two of the witnesses to said will to wit John Bough and J. S. Floyd being duly sworn in open Court deponeth and saith that they doth N. E. Treadwell wife of James A. Treadwell sign seal publish and declare the within instrument as her last will and Testament freely, voluntarily and with out any compulsion or influence what ever that they doth will and witness in the presence of said Testator at her special instance and request and in the presence of each other and that said Miles Abernathy and D. S. Stancel the other two witnesses to said will was also present as witnesses as above stated

John Bough
J. S. Floyd

Searched and subscribed before me in open Court
this day 1st May 1871 D. McNeil Deering

The above within instrument was subscribed by the said N. E. Treadwell in our presence and acknowledged by her to be her last will and Testament and done at her request and in her presence have signed our names as witnesses hereunto and written opportunity made on the respective places where about this day 1st May 1871

John Bough of Gordon County Georgia
J. S. Floyd of Gordon County Georgia

State of Georgia ³ I do make my last will and Testament of Gordon County ³ In the name of God. Amen.
 I think the Thomas being of sound mind and disposing memory and knowing the uncertainty of human life make this my last will and Testament hereby revoking all others by me made.

I do make my body to be buried in a Christian like manner and my soul I commend to God thru the Lord Jesus Christ whose Religion I profess and I hope I have enjoyed for many years

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Item 2 I desire ~~www.georgia-pioneers.com~~ to be paid as early as possible and with as little delay as the circumstances will permit

Item 3rd I give & bequeath to my dear son Edward Emilie Thomas four hundred Dollars to be collected out of my effects and also one Heather bed and beasted half of my bed clothing as near as it can be divided. Play is to take choice of the beds and bedsteads. I also give & bequeath to said Play all of my house hold and kitchen furniture except such pieces as are claimed and belong to my son John Austin Thomas.

Item 4th I give and bequeath to my son John Austin Thomas and my daughter Play all of my stock of hogs to be equally divided between them & their a like

Item 5th I give and bequeath to my son John one Heather bed and also the other half of my bed clothing not already given to my said daughter Play I also give and bequeath to my said son John four hundred dollars if my estate remaining is sufficient if not sufficient my will & desire is that my said son John shall have the balance of my estate not already disposed of

Item 6th My will and desire is if there is more of my estate than will make up to my said son John the above mentioned sum of four hundred dollars that the remainder shall be equally divided between my said daughter Play and my said son John & their a like

Item 7th I hereby make and constitute Williams S Johnson of Gordon County my Executor of this my last will and testament hereby revoking all others wills by me heretofore made and hereby revoking all appointments of any other Executor or Executors heretofore by me appointed

Elizabeth ^{last witness} Thomas

Reed to the testatrix
and the signing it in
the presence of us

W A Perry (P)

B W Clegg (P)

B H Johnson (P)

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July Term 1871

The testator instrument having been presented in open Court by W. J. Johnson as Executor of the last will and testament of Elizabeth Thomas deceased for Probate in Common form of Law and after the subscribing witnesses to said will to wit C. A. Peery R. M. McTyre and B. H. Bonaway being duly sworn in open Court deposed and said that they do know Elizabeth Thomas sign her self published and declare the will instrument it as her last will and testament freely voluntarily and without any compulsion or influence whatever that they signed said will as witnesses in the presence of said Testatrix at her special instance and request and in the presence of each other and that all the witnesses to said will was also present as witnesses as above that all four to and subscribed C. A. Peery
before me this Aug 3 1871 R. M. McTyre
D. W. Neal Deany B. H. Bonaway

State of Georgia on the ³ day of August 1871, the name of God I swear
Gordon County of William Rich son of said County
and State being of sound age and knowing that I
must shortly depart this life I deem it right and proper
both as respects my family and my self that I should
make a disposition of the property which a kind Providence
has blessed me do therefore make this my last will
and Testament hereby revoking all others heretofore made
by me.

I direct I desire and direct that my body be buried in a decent and Christian like manner according to my last
stances and conditions in life.

Item 1 I desire and direct that all my just debts be paid
without delay by my executors hereinafter appointed
especially as there is no remedy for delay.

Item 2 I give and bequeath to my wife Mary Rich five dollars
which is in sum of her whole dower.

Item 3 I give bequeath and give to my daughter Rebecca
Cooley wife of Dr. Howell and all her children
five pounds the disposition of his property in any other
future his hand my negro girl Charlotte of his bed