

Joseph C. Maddox's Will.

Georgia. In the name of God Amur.

(Greene County) I Joseph C. Maddox being of ill health; but sound mind & memory do make this my last will and Testament revoking all others by me before made and.

I will that my wife Polley Maddox shall keep in possession all my Estates both real & personal during her residence to be managed & controlled by her as her prudence and judgment may direct. But should my wife after my death marry again I will that she receive one third part of my Estate to be by her kept during her natural life the other two thirds to be equally divided among my three surviving children from the worth proceeds of which they are to be educated and at the death of my wife that part of my Estate in her possession to revert to my three surviving Children and be disposed of as the other two thirds also hereby. I will also appoint my wife Polley Maddox and my son Wm. C. Maddox when he becomes of age to execute this my last will & Testament.

I sign'd, seal'd & acknowledge in presence of James 24th 1826

Joseph C. Maddox

W. H. Ray

John Stovall

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Georgia Greene County Court of Ordinary November 6th 1826

Personally appeared in open Court William H. Ray & John Stovall two of the subscribing witnesses to the within Will who being duly sworn depose and say that they saw the within named Joseph C. Maddox sign seal and hear him acknowledge the foregoing to be his last will and Testament and that they each believed him to be of sound mind and memory at the time of his so doing and they together with John C. Webb subscribed their names as witnesses thereto in the presence of the Testator.

Signed to in Open Court (6 November 1826)

W. H. Ray

John Stovall

Chambers Torrence P.C.

Recorded 13th November 1826 Chambers Torrence P.C.

Edward Woodhams' Will

Georgia Greene County. In the name of God Amur. I Edward Woodhams of said County being old and infirm and calling to mind the uncertainty of human life do make & ordain this to be my last will and Testament. I commit my body to the dust to be decently buried at the discretion of my Executors and my soul to God who gave it: And as to my worldly Estate real & personal I do hereby devise and bequeath it in the following manner.

1st I give and bequeath to my daughter Woodhams for and during her Natural life two negroes Daniel and Lucy and one bed and furniture of which she is to have the sole & entire possession & benefit: and at her death my will and desire is that said negroes & bed & furniture be sold by my Executors & the proceeds equally divided among my Children: if any of my children shall before my own wife then her Part or share of the proceeds of said property to which such child aforesaid be entitled shall go to be divided equally among such children as he or she may leave at the time of his or her death.

2nd My will and desire is that the remainder of my personal Estate be sold as soon after my death as it can be legally done and that my real Estate be also sold agreeably to law; but in case it appears that my lands cannot be sold without a considerable sacrifice my Executors are at liberty to postpone the sale thereof till such time as they in their discretion may deem most for the interest of my Estate.

3rd Out of the proceeds of my Estate I wish all my just debts paid with as little delay as may comport with the interest of the Estate and the remainder of the same to be divided in the following manner;

In owing heretofore given 1816-1842 except my daughter Melinda property to the