

In the name of God Amen I Stephen Bishop of the State of Georgia and County of Greene being of sound mind and memory but recollecting the certainty of death do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament.

It is my will and desire that my body be buried in a decent and Christian like manner and as to respects such worldly Estate as it hath pleased God to bestow on this life I devise and dispose of the same in the following manner to wit.

Item 1st It is my will and desire that all my just debts and funeral expenses be paid thereon.

Item 2nd It is my will and desire and I do will and bequeath unto my daughter Lydia Noble one half of the land and premises whereon I now live either or divided as it is hereafter described, and in case of sale one half of the proceeds thereof to the said Lydia Noble in fee simple & her heirs etc.

Item 3rd It is my will and desire and I do hereby give and bequeath to the orphan children of James Bishop dec'd (viz) Wilson & Bishop, Patsy H Bishop, Wemyss & Bishop, Minnie H Bishop, and Daniel Bishop the other half of the land and premises whereon now live to be equally divided among said orphan children; but provided they die in dividing the land then and in that case it is further my will and desire that the be sold at the discretion of my Executors and the proceeds divided equally as above stated in addition to other property heretofore given.

Item 4th It is my will and desire and I do hereby give and bequeath to my son Asa Bishop a tract or lot of land drawn by Fanny Bishop in Wilkeson County drawn also, further bequeath to Asa Bishop one negro Boy named Ben Tucker about years old, one desk one clock & Case, one Bed, furniture and Woodshed and one set Blacksmiths Tools in fee simple in addition to other property heretofore given.

Item 5th It is my will and desire and I do give and bequeath to my daughter Newton the use of Two negroes Jingo & Smith his wife during her natural life and her death to be equally divided among her children in addition to other property heretofore given.

Item 6th It is my will and desire and I do give and bequeath to my Executors heretofore to be named one negro girl whose and her increase to be applied to the use of my daughter Mary Hagerty during her natural life, (viz) her husband and her heirs & their heirs & assigns forever.

Item 7th It is my will and desire and I do hereby give and bequeath to my daughter Mary Hagerty the use of Two negro girls namely Ellis & Sucky during her life and then to be equally divided among Mary Hagerty's children in addition to other property heretofore given.

Item 8th It is my will and desire and I do hereby give and bequeath to my Executors heretofore to be named seven negroes (viz) Jim Punch and his wife Abby Jack young Jim also Anna & Eliza with their increase to be applied to and for the use of Fanny Bishop my daughter during her natural life, or until my said daughter Fanny Bishop marries, but in the event her marriage then and in that case it is my will and desire that Jim Punch and his wife Abby Ann and Eliza be equally divided among all my children or their legal representatives. In the event of the marriage of my daughter Fanny Bishop then and in that case it is further my will and desire and I do bequeath to my Executors heretofore to be named three negroes (viz) Jack young Jim, and Abby a girl for the use of Fanny Bishop during her life and at her death to be equally divided among all my children or their legal representatives. It is further my will and desire and I do give and bequeath to my son Fanny Bishop out of my Estate Twelve hundred Dollars in Cash one hundred and

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furniture and bedstead two horses three cows and calves & three sows & pigs all her choice
constituted & took a sufficient for one years provisions for want of Crockery ware
one chest one yoke of Oxen one cart farming tools &c with all the cash notes bonds
& book accounts that I may be in possession of at my death in addition to what she
may have heretofore given her

Item 9th It is my will (and desire) and I do hereby give and bequeath to my Executors
hereinafter to be named three negroes viz. Wm a Boy and Will a Boy and a young
girl all three children of bibbys to be applied to (and for the use of Jane Fielder during
her life (and after her death to her ^{Legal} children if any in fee simple, but in case of no
child nor children legal heirs then it is further my will (and desire the three negroes
(viz) Wm Will (and) Nancy with increase to be equally divided among all my chil-
dren or their legal representatives also it is my will that Jane Fielder my grand
daughter have one bed bedstead furniture (and one small trunk (and remain with my
daughter Fanny Bishop (and under her care with her property until she (said Jane Fielder
marries or arrives to the age of twenty two years. It is further my will (and desire that the
most liberal construction be given not injury any part of the devise herein made to
this my will in all cases including increase and the legal representatives &c

Item 10th It is further my will (and desire) and I do hereby require that all my house
hold (and kitchen furniture stock of all kinds farming utensils Waggon and gear with
all other property not otherwise disposed is to be sold at the discretion of my Executors
hereinafter to be named (and equally divided among all my children or their legal representatives
I the said Stephen Bishop do hereby nominate constitute (and) appoint William Hagerty
asa Bishop (and) William Noble my lawful Executors to execute this my last will (and)
Testament hereby nullifying (and) revoking all former wills (and) Testaments legacies and bequests
heretofore made ratifying (and) confirming this (and no other to be my last will and Testament
given under my hand (and) Seal this February 15th day of 1821

signed sealed Acknowledges and
pronounced in presence of us
Thomas Wilburn
John Williams
E Stanley
Robert Allen

Stephen Bishop (Seal)

Georgia Greene County Court of Ordinary September Term 1821

Personally appeared in Open Court Thomas Wilburn & Ezzel Stanley two of the subscribing
Witnesses to the foregoing will who being duly sworn say that they saw the within
above named Stephen Bishop sign (and) heard him acknowledge the same as his last will
(and) Testament & that they each believe him to be of perfect sound mind (and) memory at
the time of his so doing (and) that they together with John Williams (and) Robert Allen
subscribed their names as witnesses thereto in the presence of the testator

Sworn to (and) subscribed us
Open Court (2nd) September 1821
Bernazar Torrence Clerk

Thomas Wilburn
E Stanley

Recorded 11 September 1821

Bernazar Torrence *flk*