

Thomas W. Cobb's Will

Georgia I, Thomas W. Cobb of the State and County aforesaid
Greene County, being of sound and disposing mind and memory
do make and publish this my last Will and Testament in manner
and form following to wit:

In the first place I wish all my just debts to be paid out of the proceeds
of the sale of such property as can be conveniently spared.

The house and lot whereon I now live I wish to be sold provided
that in such sale (which I leave to the discretion of my Executors herein
after named) there should not be too great a sacrifice of its value.

I give and bequeath unto my two sons Thomas Moore Cobb and
Joseph Buckham Cobb and their heirs as Tenants in common and
not Joint as Joint Tenants, my real and personal Estate of
whatsoever Nature or Kind the same may consist, with the exceptions
and Reservations hereafter mentioned, Said estate to be equally
divided between them whenever there is a necessity for it by
Marriage or otherwise. I deeply regret not having it in my power
in this the last act of my life to testify to the following servants of mine
my gratitude for their faithful services to wit, Milley, Minny, Frank,
and Charity by immediately emancipating them. To each of them that they
have been faithful obedient and honest would be but doing them common
Justice. Some of them by the most assiduous and sleepless attentions to
me during my present painful and protracted illness have
(I have no doubt) been the means in the hands of Divine Providence
of saving my life thus far. Such services call loudly upon me for
some return, I am not deaf to its voice, but I am aware that the
policy of the law, at present in force in this State and my own feelings are
at issue on this point. I earnestly wish it were otherwise that I might
set them at liberty. This being impracticable for me to do I have but
one alternative left and that is to implore my Executors hereafter
named to present this my dying request to the Legislature. I solemnly
believe no evil will result from their emancipation. In case the Legislature
shall refuse this request (which I cannot allow myself to believe they will)
I will and bequeath the said slave Minny to my friends Stewart Anderson
Thomas F. Foster, John Cobb of Athens and W. P. King, in trust for my said
two sons Thomas Moore Cobb and Joseph Buckham Cobb, and their heirs
as tenants in common and not as Joint tenants. hereby requesting my
said friends Stewart Anderson, Thomas F. Foster, John Cobb and W. P. King to
treat the said slave Minny kindly and humanely and to see that she
be not abused.

It is further my will and desire that the said slave Minny and
her two children Maria and Mary work and labour for my
two sons Thomas Moore Cobb and Joseph Buckham Cobb.

until they respectively arrive at age unless said woman living is
emancipated by the legislature -

I will and bequeath the slave Melly in the event she is not emancipated
my friends Thomas Foster, Gileston P King, Joseph S Moore of Oglethorpe county, James
Memmuth of Clark county in trust for my two sons Thomas Moore Cobb and
Joseph Bullock and their heirs as tenants in common and not as joint
tenants, hereby requesting my said friends last mentioned to be that the said
slave Melly is not mistreated - It is further my desire that said Melly
live on the plantation near this place and that there be built
for her a good and comfortable log or frame house to live in and that
her employment be the same as that she has been accustomed to do before
my death -

It is my will that the Boy Frank before mentioned in case he should
not be emancipated be placed under the care of some sober and
discreet mechanic to learn some useful trade - The said Boy Frank
I will and bequeath unto my friends Thomas F Foster and Gileston P
King in trust for my sons Thomas Moore Cobb and Joseph Bullock
and their heirs as tenants in common and not as joint tenants,
I give and bequeath the Girl Charity also before mentioned in case
she should not be emancipated unto my friends Thomas F Foster, Gileston
P King, Joseph S Moore of the county of Oglethorpe and James Memmuth
of Clark county in trust for my sons Thomas Moore Cobb and Joseph
Bullock and their heirs as tenants in common and not as joint
tenants, and that the said Girl Charity live on the same plantation
on which her mother hereafter may be placed - It is further my will
and desire that the said slave Melly, Wenning, Frank and Charity
should not be sold unless in a case of absolute necessity which
is to be judged of by my Executors -

I wish my plantations the one on the ocean River and the one near
this place kept up annually under the management of discreet
and industrious overseers to be employed by my Executors -

It is my will and desire that the following Negroes to wit, Peggy old
Fanny, Betsy, Columbia, Betsy, Whelan and old Fanny should not
be placed under overseers to perform farming business unless they choose
but that they remain on my plantations and spin weave cook &c -

It is further my will and desire that Melly remain on the lot whereon
I now live until the same is sold or otherwise disposed of and to the
care of the same -

Lastly I appoint Thomas F Foster, Joseph S Moore of Oglethorpe county,
James Memmuth of Clark county and G P King Executors of this my
last will and testament to see the same carried into full effect
according to its true spirit and meaning -

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my
hand and seal this 31st day of January 1830

Thomas M Cobb

Signed sealed and delivered in presence of

Wm. Springfield W. C. Dawson
John C. By Nichols Lewis

Greene County } Court of ordinary March Term 1830
 Personally appeared in open Court, John Colby,
 Nicholas Lewis & James F. Foster, three of the subscribing witnesses to the
 within last Will & Testament of Thomas McCreath and on oath
 saith, that they saw him subscribe the same, and that they each
 believed him to be of perfect sound mind & disposing memory
 at the time of his signing the same, and that they in the presence
 of each other together with John S. Lewis, Thomas Springfield and
 M. C. Dawson, then the presence of the testator subscribed their
 names as witnesses thereto
 Subscribed open Court
 1st day of March 1830
 Test
 Thomas McCreath W.D.

John Colby
 Jo^l F. Foster
 Nicholas Lewis

Recorded 19.th day of February 1830

Thomas McCreath clerk

Daniel Setts Will.

Greene County } I Daniel Setts of the County & State
 aforesaid being old and infirm but of sound
 and disposing mind and memory, do hereby make
 and ordain this my last will and testament
 in manner and form following Viz

First - It is my will that all my just debts
 be paid as soon as possible after my death
 Secondly - Having given to Samuel Shedden
 at the time of his intermarriage with my said
 Nancy, a Negro woman ^{now} Anne, Bed & Furniture
 Horse Saddle & Bridle, and other stock, I do hereby
 confirm the same to him his heirs and assigns
 together with all the increase of said Negro

Thirdly - Having given to my daughter Judy Pinhead
 at the time of her intermarriage with Geo. Pinhead
 a Negro man Jim, Bed & Furniture, Horse Saddle
 & Bridle, and other stock, I do hereby confirm the
 same to my said daughter and her children
 forever

Fourthly - Having given to my daughter