

Georgia, Greene County, Court of Ordinary at Athens Term 1821
 Personally appeared in Open Court James to Wm. Welch, William H. Sumner
 and William J. Welborn the subscribing witnesses to the within Will who being de-
 sworn say that they saw the within named Henry Paries sign seal and acknow-
 ledge the foregoing to be his last Will and Testament (and that they each be-
 lieve him to be of perfect sound mind and memory at the time of his so doing and
 they each in the presence of the Testator subscribed their names as witnesses to
 the same and subscribed
 in Open Court 5th March 1821
 (Erasmus Governor) Clerk

James to Wm. Welch
 Wm. H. Sumner
 Wm. J. Welborn

Recorded 16th March 1821
 Erasmus Governor Clerk

October 27th 1820

In the name of God amen I Will and Test of the County of Greene
 and State of Georgia being in great weakness of body but of a sound mind
 memory (and calling to mind that it is appointed for man to die I have the
 proper to make this my last will (and Testament) after recommending my soul
 to God that gives it (and through the intercession of a dear Redeemer) having a
 hope of a happy immortality I do hereby dispose of my worldly goods in
 the following to wit

1st Item I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Joice's Fears one hundred and
 twenty five acres of land (and the place I now live on) decided to me by Jesse Johnson's two
 acres included the place where Mr. Barret formerly lived on the whole includ-
 ing the meadow acres together with the appertances belonging thereto. I give and
 bequeath to my beloved wife Joice's Fears to possess immediately after my de-
 cease one negro boy named Lewis also one negro mare saddle and bridle
 one Choice Cow and calf also two Choice sow and pigs also her Choice sow
 and pig also her Choice bed & bedding & two sets of clothing for said bed one pi-
 table a small Walnut do one Oakboard half dozen Churny Cups & saucers
 half dozen plates and knives & forks three sitting chairs two hunkers one wheel
 & loom (and all the Axes & Hammers (and all that) belong thereto with a pot one
 ractle & spillet & two dishes (and six hundred weight of pork the first year
 after my death (and the use of the plantation and improvement all on the South side
 a wagon Road for four years after my death also five hundred weight of meal
 and five barrels of Corn of 50 to be reserved from the mill for the use of my
 beloved wife for six years after my death also two tubs cloths and waiters for
 and little table also it is to be observed that the bedclothing above named is
 to include the bedclothing my wife brought here with her pillows &c also
 for meal year

2nd Item I give and bequeath to my daughter Edna Ann Fears one bed and
 cradle and the floor Carpet as her part of my Estate with one
 dish and saffers and this to be her part of my Estate

3rd Item I give and bequeath to my son Augustus W. Fears one negro woman
 Paddy and her increase if any also two hundred Dollars of my

Also the rightful proportion of his Grand Father's (Wm. Beards) Estate of 1/2 with
Virginia coming to me or mine in right of his mother I bequeath the same to
Augustus W. Beards as his right

4th Item I give and bequeath to my two Sons Jesse Beards and William Beards
a negro woman named Melly and her increase that is to say Charles, James, Ben
son Melly, Children together with the Land and premises whereon I now live
after the residue is out for my wife the part that is not reserved to be rented
(and the mill for the use of these my two Sons Jesse and William) also the
whole of the Land and premises where the residue is out, till they become of
age and then an equal division in the above named property. My will is
that a negro fellow may be sold and three lots of land in one of Wilkerson's family
and districts here, if they sell for fifty Dollars a piece, if not Cooper them till
my two Sons come of age which shall be for their use, then all the rest
of my property I wish to be sold, every thing that is not named in this my
will for other purposes to be sold for the discharge of my debts; and the
balance if any to be for the use of my two Sons Jesse and William and
the said property should not be sufficient to discharge my debts then the
same to be sold for what they will fetch (and the Land whereon I
now live but to avoid that if possible) if any legacy is coming to me from my
Father's estate the same I bequeath to my two Sons Jesse and William my will
that Jesse and William be put to some profitable business & my two Sons to see
securing them good places where they will be well clothed & educated for their
uses I wish my Son Augustus W. Beards to continue with my wife, and his negro
until he is Capable of Choosing his Guardian

I do hereby nominate (and appoint) Sherwood Johnson, Ezra John Griffin of
Kentucky or either of them with my beloved Wife Joice Beards (acting and
one of this my last Will and Testament to be executed agreeable to the within
written) as Witnesses my hand and seal the day (and date) above written sealed
and delivered in the presence of us the subscribing Witnesses

Elijah Moore

William Beards ^{his}
Wife

Andrew Campbell

Sherwood W. Johnson

Georgia Supreme Court, Court of Ordinary March Term 1821

Personally appeared in Open Court Elijah Moore, Andrew Campbell, and
Sherwood W. Johnson subscribing Witnesses to the within will who being duly
sworn depose that they saw the within named William Beards sign seal &
read him (acknowledge) the same to be his last Will and Testament and that
they each believed him to be of perfect sound mind (and memory) at the
time of his so doing (and that they each in the presence of the Testator subscr-
ibed their names thereto as Witnesses

sworn to in Open Court

on 5th March 1821

Ernest Torrance Clerk

Elijah Moore
Andrew Campbell
Sherwood W. Johnson

Recorded 16 March 1821

Ernest Torrance Clerk