

William S Talley's Will

In the name of God Amen I William S Talley of the County of Greene and State of Georgia being in perfect strength of mind & memory do make my Ordinance this to be my last will & Testament. My will is that all my debts be paid out of the income of crops as soon as possible and that my whole Estate be kept together my beloved wife Eugenia S Talley to keep all my Children to wit William S Talley Elizabeth S Talley Eugenia S Talley John M Talley & Mary A Talley to have them educated clothed & supported out of the proceeds of my farm and all the surplus money that may be at any time I give to my beloved wife to use as she may see Cause during her widowhood and my Children may become of age or marry they are to draw a Child's part of my Estate both real & personal leaving to each dividend a Child's part for my beloved Wife during her widowhood and should any of my Children after drawing their part of my Estate die without an heir of their body the part they may have drawn shall return to the my heirs And should my beloved wife Eugenia S Talley Marry again she is to have all that to her a Child's part of my Estate both real & personal to her & her heirs of her body and in case she shall see Cause to remove from of this land I leave her on the whole to have out of the most proceeds of my Estate the value in money of a Child's part of said tract of land I leave her on. And my will is that my negro shall be kept on the plantation and not to be hired out in any Case until they are allotted to my heirs as they come of age or marry as above mentioned. And lastly I constitute my beloved wife Eugenia S Talley my Executor of this my last will & Testament hereby revoking all others theretofore made. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this twenty fifth day of December 1825

Signed sealed & Acknowledged in presence of

W Foster

Ann Sager

Nathan Talley

Wm S Talley Seal

A Codicil to the above Will

Sheweth Authority my Executor Eugenia S Talley to sell at any time she may see Cause a tract of land I have in Houston County lying in the third tenth district Lot N° forty two (the my interest in a tract of land lying on Ogechee in Greene County that came to me by a will from Alexander Stewart deceased) my land & further my will that my said Executor may sell at private sale or public as she may see Cause (and) to make warrants of sale of said lands or either of them

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my seal this sixteenth day of May 1826

Signed sealed & Acknowledged in presence of

Ann Sager

W Foster

William Sager

Wm S Talley Seal

Georgia Greene County Court of Ordinance September Term 1826

Personally appeared in Open Court Ann Sager and Henry W Foster two of the subscribing witnesses to the foregoing will and annexed Codicil of William S Talley de. who being duly sworn say that they saw the said William S Talley de. sign and heard him acknowledge the foregoing will with the Codicil thereto annexed to be his last will & Testament and that they each believed him to be of perfect sound and disposing mind & memory at the time of his signing (and) that Nathan Talley together with themselves subscribed the name as a witness to the will and William Sager subscribed his name as a witness with these deponents to the Codicil all done in the presence of the Testator

done in an Open Court

this 9th of September 1826

George J. Ferriss Clerk

Recorded 13 September 1826

George J. Ferriss