

State of Georgia
County of Hancock

I, Joshua H. Matlock, of said State and County, being of sound mind disposing and disposing do make the my last will and testament.

I give, bequeath and devise to my wife, Louisa Matlock, the whole of my property both real and personal of which I may be possessed, and for all of which I have no other person to whom I desire to bequeath and bequeath this bequest and it is intended that the property shall remain as left by the testator during the natural life of my said wife or her widowhood after which to be equally divided among my legal heirs.

I hereby constitute and appoint my friend, Joshua H. Matlock, executor of this my last will and testament. This the 22 day of Feb 1854.

Signed, sealed and published by Joshua H. Matlock, as his last will and testament in the presence of us, subscribers, who set our names here in the presence of said testator at his instance and request of each other he signing in our presence and we expressing his power.

W. H. Wilson
John F. Coffey
W. C. Cantel

Recorded Oct 16, 1854
H. H. Whitworth
Ordinary.

Georgia, Hancock County

In the name of God, Amen: I, Joshua H. Matlock, of the County and State aforesaid, being of sound mind and disposing mind, do make this my last will and testament in the presence of my friends and neighbors, who are present and who are to be my witnesses and who are to be my executors.

And first and principally I bequeath my said to be the author of my being, and by whose grace I hope to be saved. In heaven I desire to have an eternal rest.

Item 1st. I will that all my just debts be paid by my executor, herein after named, of there should be any such out of my estate.

Item 2nd. I will and bequeath to my beloved wife, Margaret Matlock, with whom I have lived, a great place for many years, all my estate, both real and personal and my undivided share of the land of lot No 133, and lot No 134, and lot No 135, in the 6th District of said County, siting the broad place, where I now reside, land, also two acres and three mares, four boys my two mules and my two wagons, one two-horse and the other one-horse, and all my household and kitchen furniture, the property as described, to be hers during her life time or widowhood, and to be used and controlled by her and for her benefit as she may direct.

Item 3rd. The property bequeathed to my wife, mentioned in the event of her death or marriage what may be the remainder, shall then and instead of that, descend and be equally divided between my three children, 133, 134, 135, and 136.

