

In the name of God Amen. I Arthur Fort of the County of Hancock and State of Georgia being weak in body but of sound and perfect mind and memory do make and publish this my last will and testament in manner and form following (that is to say) I give and bequeath unto my beloved daughter Minerva Fort all my estate both real and personal that is to say the tract of land whereon I now live containing two hundred and ten acres more or less with all the appurtenances thereto belonging or in anywise appertaining, a negro woman named Alice and her future increase should she ever have any, all my horses, Cattle, Sheep, hogs, Bed & furniture, and household and kitchen furniture of every description, my plantation Utensils and working Tools & my shot gun, - all the ready money I have on hand, notes and accounts due me by or from sundry persons - I further give her my said daughter Minerva Fort all my right and title to that part of the estate claimed by The Adm^r of Newham Fenigan dec^d: which I am of right intitled to by my intermarriage with Elizabeth Fenigan the widow of said dec^d: which property is now in dispute between one of the claimants of said estate and myself. It is my will & desire that my beloved daughter should enjoy the benefit of all the property above mentioned and any other that may be omitted through mistake or forgetfulness - And it is my desire that my Executor, hereafter mentioned, should sell my part of the aforesaid property they may think proper and put the money out to interest on any negro or any other

property they may think proper for my daughter, but should my said daughter Minerva Fort die before she arrives to the age of twenty-one years, or Maries, and has a lawful begotton heir of her body, then it is my Will and desire that whatever may be left out of educating and maintaining her shall be equally divided between my brother Edwin Fort, living children to be paid over either in money or property or notes, as my Executors may think best - I further request that my Executors hereafter mentioned should have my daughter brought up in a pious manner and to give her such an education as they may think proper - the expence of which is to be paid out of my estate - I do constitute and appoint my friends Sampson Duggar and Hardress Hawkins my Executors to this my last will and testament hereby revoking all former wills by me made -

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the 8th day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifteen -

A. Fort (Seal)

Signed, Sealed, published and declared by the above named Arthur Fort to be his last will and testament in the presence of us who have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses in the presence of the testator -

Nicholas Childers
James Browder
George Nelson Jr

of the Inferior Court of said County, Nicholas Childers,
James Crowder & George Nelson Jun. the subscribing
witnesses to the within will and duly proved the same
in order that it should be lodged in the office
this 5th day of Feb'y 1816—

Edu^d. B. Brookings J. D. C
Hartwell Garry J. D. C

Georgia, Hancock Inferior Court sitting for Ordinary
Purposes 4 March 1816—

The last will & testament of Arthur Fort dec^d was
duly proven before the Honorable the Inferior Court, sitting
for Ordinary purposes on the 5th day of Feb'y 1816 by the
oaths of all the subscribing witnesses— which is ordered
to be recorded and letters testamentary granted to Sampson
Duggar & Hardress Hawkins the nominated Executors
to whom after being duly qualified was granted according
—ly—
James H. Jones Clk

An Inventory and Appraisement of the personal estate
of Arthur Fort dec^d: taken the 16th March 1816—

13 hogs & 16 Pigs \$47.	1 broken Black Tooda \$3	50—
1 Cope of Oxen \$40—	1 Borende Shear \$10—	40—
1 Black Cow & Yearling \$12.	1 white back do & do \$9	21—
1 Young Cow & calf \$10.	1 Heifer \$4	14—
4 Sheep \$6.	10 Geese 50 ^c	11—
1 Plowding Tent 1.00.	1 Plow Stocks 62 ^c	1 62 ^c
3 Axs \$4.50—	5 Plow Hoes \$5.—	9 50
2 Spreading Hoes 2.00.	4 old Weading do 150	3 50
2 Iron Wedges 1.50.	3 old Axes 75—	2 25
1 Saw, Drawing Knife & Adze		2 75
1 Bell, Chain & fee		1 50
3 Plain Hammers & 1 W. Traces		2 50
1 lot Bricks Laying Tools		2—

amt b't forward

1 Cutter Block 1.00.	1 Saddle & Bridle \$12-	13-
750 feet flooring plank	u 125 ft	-
1 Painted Bedstead & Ford	2.50.	2.50
1 D ^o \$2.50.	1 D ^o 1.50.	1 Pine Table 2.00
1 Ox Cart \$8.	1 tot Tin Ware \$2	10
1 tot Crockery \$2.	1 D ^o Bottles & Vials 150	3.50
1 Pair Hullyards		1-
1 Leaf Tobacco	as 4 ^{cu} ft	-
16 up plain homespun	u 314	5-
4 Bushels Wheat	u 100-	4-
1 Bench of Shoe Tools		2.50
1 Barrel & Flour		1.50
1 Tub & Meal 1.00.	2 Old Casked 1.00-	2-
1 Guard of Lard		1.50
12 1/4 Tallow	u 12 1/2	1.50 1/4
1 Beeswax	u 18 1/4	25
Knives & Forks		50
1 Stone Jar & Bottle		75
1 Basket 25.	3 Bee Cums 75	1-
2 Pots, Ovens &c		10.50
3 Tin pans 1.25.	1 tot Pails Sieves &c 2.00-	3.25
2 Tubs, Churn & Barrel		1.50
1 Spinning Wheel		1-
1 old Loom 2 Slays & Harness		6-
6 Split & Shuck Bottom Chairs		3-
1 Cotton Umbrella		3.50
1 Walnut Chest		5-
3 Blankets \$3.	1 Looking Glass, Spunked &c 3.	6-
1 Bottle & Honey		1.25
1 Decanter & 3 Bottles		1.50
2 Table Cloths 2.00.	1 Cotton Counted \$8	10-
3 Counterspanes &c		8-
1 do	Shut & Toilet	3-
1 do		1.50

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amt bro ^t forward —			
1 lot Tin Ware 125.	Shoe Brushes fee 50		1 75
2 Razors, Straps &c 2.	1 plain sack Irons 75-		2 75
1 unfinished Porcelain 50.	50. 1/2 yd cotton — 20-		11 -
1 lot Baskets 1/2 doz.	2 Feather Beds \$15		32 -
3 Stone Jugs			2 -
18 Barrels & 3 Bushels Corn —	~ 250		46 50
463 1/2 ^{lb} Bacon	~ 12 1/2		57 9 1/2
1 Cow hide			1 50
1 blind horse			17 50
1 bay mare			75-
" " horse			75-
Half Bushel + Candle moulds			1 -
1 Sow & 3. 1 black & white Cow & half \$14 —			17 -
2 Stacks fodder			7 -
2 Rawhide ^{whips} 25-	1 shot gun \$15 —		15 25

J. Weston
 James Crowder
 William D. Lucas

Georgia, Hancock County.

I do hereby certify that James Crowder,
 Stephen Weston & Wm D. Lucas were duly sworn as
 Appraisers to the estate of Arthur Fort dec. -

Given under my hand the 11th day of April
 1816.

Arch. R. J. Hunter J.P.

An act of Sales of the Personal property of Arthur Fort
 dec. made the 19th day of March 1816 —

2 plow Hoes	To. H. Hawkins	1 50 1/2
1 lot do	Wm Barksdale	1 65 1/2
1 do grubbing Hoes	H. Hawkins	1 50
4 clearing Hoes	Rich ^d Simms	1 50
1 lot of Razors	Allen Roberts	50
Hammy Truss fee	Rich ^d Simms	1 37 1/2
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and forwarded		

	amt bro ^d forward	\$8 12 ¹ / ₂
2 Irons, one Hammer & To Rich ^d Sims		1 00 ¹ / ₂
1 W. Udders, one & " Do		1 3 ¹ / ₂
1 Square " Stephen Thurmond		25
1 Saw, Drawing Knife & " Rich ^d Sims		7 -
1 Bell " Thomas Pigby		81 ¹ / ₂
2 Piece Leather " Jas Bunkley		1 25
1 too old plaid & dirty. Allen Roberts		3 ¹ / ₂
1 do H Bowl " Do		66 ¹ / ₄
1 do Tin Ware " Jesse Pigby		50
1 do " Rachel Udden		62 ¹ / ₂
1 W. Old Hulyard " Stephen Thurmond		1 25
1 too old Cup & Saucer " Green & Lamb		62 ¹ / ₂
2 Piece Leather " Rich ^d L. Watson		1 -
1 Side Sole Leather " Joshua Roe		1 68 ³ / ₄
1 too Shoe making Tools " Rich ^d L. Watson		1 93 ³ / ₄
1 Trumpet, Bason & " Rich ^d Sims		25
1 Tea pot Vial & " Joseph Roberts		3 ¹ / ₂
2 Bottles " Rich ^d Sims		3 ¹ / ₂
1 Lot Bottles, Vial & " Josiah Magee		56 ¹ / ₂
1 Jar Can & Canister " Rich ^d Sims		81 ¹ / ₂
1 too Old Kniving Forks, Jesse Williams		18 ³ / ₄
1 Jug " Stephen Udden		31 ¹ / ₄
1 Bag of Nails " Rich ^d Sims		68 ³ / ₄
16 yds white homespun, Sarah Burch		6 -
1 Basket Rock " Richard Sims		18 ³ / ₄
1 Meal Tub & Meal " Valentine Mayo		75
1 Barrel & Flour " Rich ^d L. Watson		87 ¹ / ₂
1 Lyeum & Salt " Jos Roberts		12 ¹ / ₂
12 1/4 th Tallow 12 " Sarah Burch		1 53
1 Cake Butter " S. Duggan		25
25 th Leaf Tobacco " Rich ^d L. Watson		1 25
25 th " do - 4 " Stephen Udden		1 00
25 th " do - 3 1/4 " S Duggan		93 ¹ / ₄
24. balm - 4 " H. Hartsins		84
	amt forward	\$40 65 ¹ / ₂

Ant. Bro. forward —		\$40 68 1/2
15 Bushels wheat — 1 1/2	J. James forward —	47 1/2
1 Jar Butter —	Richard Sims —	43 1/2
21 st Gourd & Lard — 1 1/2	Timothy Tucker —	2 41 1/2
71 1/2 nd Bacon — 13 1/2	Do —	9 47 1/2
392 nd Do — 12 1/2	John H. Martin —	49 —
750 feet flooring Plank — 1.18.	Grand Bench —	8 81 1/2
1 Table —	Wm Hardwick —	1 75
1 old bedstead Ford —	William Jackson —	12 1/2
1 Do Do —	Grand Bench —	1 75
1 Barrel —	James Frauder —	50
1 Hoghead —	H. Hawkins —	30
1 Pot —	Henry Jones —	1 31 1/2
1 Oven —	Grand Bench —	1 50
1 Do —	Stephen Elliston —	2 —
1 Tea Kettle & Pot —	Do —	1 12 1/2
1 w. pot hooks & Shovel —	Richd Sims —	1 93 1/2
1 pot —	John Copeland —	1 —
1 w. old And Iron —	Josiah M. Cye —	50
1 Barrel —	Joshua Roe —	25
1 Clock Reel —	S. Duggar —	3 1/2
1 Spinning Wheel —	Jos Roberts —	1 75
1 Saddle & Bridle —	Levi Spikes —	15 50
1 Shot Gun —	William Hardwick —	19 25
1 bedstead Ford —	Joseph Shelton —	2 50
1 Umbrella —	Isaac Burck —	3 —
1 tott Chains —	S. Duggar —	4 —
1 half Bushel Meas: —	Wm Hardwick —	1 06 1/2
1 Bottle & Honey —	Stephen Elliston —	1 50
2 Nails & 2 Peggins —	Jos Roberts —	1 06 1/2
1 do —	Allen Roberts —	68 1/2
1 Tray & Sifter —	Mr. F. Martin —	18 1/2
1 lot of Glass —	Hardy Innegan —	1 50
1 Binnacle —	John Coffey —	62 1/2

	amt. bro. forward	\$182 82
2 Bottles	To Henry Jones	1 06 1/2
2 do	Arch. Kellum	43 1/2
2 Tin pans	Lyraud Burch	62 1/2
1 Mr. Shoe Binding	S. Duggan	68 1/2
Flowers & Shoe Thread	Rich. L. Watson	1 -
1 Blanket	Lyraud Burch	1 -
1 do	Rich. L. Burch	1 -
1 do	Lyraud Burch	87 1/2
1 do	Do	1 50
1 Counterspane	Do	1 25
1 Bed Cover	Do	50
1 Counterspane	Rich. L. Watson	75
1 do	Stephen Winstow	1 25
2 Table Cloth & Pillow Case	Lyraud Burch	2 -
1 Bed Cover	Do	7 -
2 Whips	John Coffee	25
1 lot Books	S. Duggan	1 -
1 Pitcher & Funnel	Rich. L. Watson	25
1 Chest (Walnut)	David Roe	10 06 1/2
1 lot Razors, Shaving Box &c.	John Coffee	2 06 1/2
1 lot of Powder Shot	Stephen Thummond	3 1/2
2 old Tubs	Sos Roberts	75
1 do	Lyraud Burch	1 -
1 do	do	75
1 do	do	2 25
1 Bar hinge	Thomas Rigby	1 -
1 Toilet, Counterspane & Sheet	Rich. L. Watson	1 50 1/2
1 Loom & Lye	S. Duggan	3 50
1 Bay horse	John Coffee	66 -
1 Churn Lye Iron &c.	Matthew Boake	50
1 bay mare	Thomas Collett	70 -
1 black horse	Stephen Winstow	11 50
5 bushels corn - 300	Wm. D. Deane	15 -
5 " do - 300 1/2	Do	15 31 1/2
5 " do - 300 1/2	Do	15 31 1/2
2 do & 3 bay horse	Do	10 80

3 Bar Hides	Am ^{ts} bro ^{ts} forward	\$432 93 1/4
1 Sow & 5 Pigs F st Choice	do Jas Bunkley	2 56 1/4
1 do. 5 do 2 nd do	Thomas B Scott	7 -
1 do. 4 do 3 rd do	Jesse Williams	5 50
1 Or Cart	do Jos Wilder	5 06 1/4
1 Cotten Plow & Hams	do Jas. Fowler	8 50
1 broken Stack Fodder	do Jos Roberts	1 -
5 Hogs 1 st Choice	do S. Weston	5 -
5 do 2 nd do	do Jos Wilder	14 06 1/4
1 Sow & 10 Pigs	do Wm D. Lucas	9 18 1/4
1 Sow & 6 Shoats	do Saml Blankenship	6 12 1/2
2 Small Sows	do M ^{rs} F. Hartin	4 37 1/2
1 do & some Pigs	do H. Hawkins	2 62 1/2
1 Yoke of Steers	do do	2 -
1 Broken Steer	do Samy Bunkley	30 -
1 black & white Cow & half	do Samy Fowler	10 50
1 blk Cow & Yearling	do Elisha Cook	19 -
1 Red & white Cow & do	do H. Hawkins	9 12 1/2
1 Young Cow & half	do Allen Roberts	8 06 1/4
1 Dry H nd	do M ^{rs} Sims	12 50
4 Sheep	do Samy Bunkley	1 15 1/4
10 Geese	do Richard L. Watson	7 -
1 Stack Fodder	do Joshua Roe	4 -
1 " do	do J Deeggar	5 50 1/2
1 " do	do do	5 25
1 Plow Stock & Rod	do Jos Shelton	25
1 Basket Wool	do M ^{rs} L. Leland	8 1/2
1 Sug & Vinegar	do Elisha Cook	1 37 1/2
1 Sug	do Levi Spights	62 1/2
1 Basket & 4 Plain Card	do Richard Sims	1 87 1/2
1 do & Rope	do Jas. Fowler	50
29 th L ⁱⁿ cotton	do Wm D. Lucas	5 80
1 Basket	do Jas. Fowler	50
1 Bag Cotton W ^{gt} 21 1/2	do Wm D. Lucas	4 09 1/2
1 Bed, bolsters & Pillows	do Gerard Burch	19 -
1 do do	do Sarah Burch	19 -

No. Am. bro. forward — 672.01.

Rent of plantation }
 except of Shittens Place } H. Hawkins — 17 -
 Hire of Alex. Hill }
 25th Dec. next } Mr. Copeland — 33 -
 672.01

J. Duggar }
 H. Hawkins } Exrs.

An Inventory of Notes due the estate of A. Fort due
 one note on John Rogers due 30 Dec. 1812 for 12 -
 one do " Joseph Bacon due 25. Dec. 1815 80 -
 one do " John Ingram due 12 July 1815 - 12 50
 one do " Joel Heath due 8 Sept. 1815 25 -
 one do " Do due Do 20 -
 one do " Do due 13th Do 5 -
 one do " Lemmah Menden & Archa Hopkin due 25 -
 29 Dec. 1814 for — 3
 one do on Do due at the same time 25 -
 one do on Britain Jony due 25. Dec. 1814 10
 one do on Willm Rhimes due 13 Octob. 1814 6 12 1/2
 one do on Samuel Towne due 16 Feby 1816 - 24 -
 one do on Do due at the same time 20 -
 one do on Lemmah Menden due 5 June 1815 33 1/2
 one do on Rich^d Beech due 1815 156 80
 Amount of Money on hand at the death of A. Fort 76 -
 An Account against J. Duggar - 163 32
 \$662.12

J. Duggar }
 H. Hawkins } Exrs.