

Georgia

Hancock County

In the name of God Amen. I Ezekiel Smith of the County of Hancock and State of Georgia

do make & Ordain this my last will and testament, viz,

Item 1st I lend to my beloved wife Saurana Smith during her life & widowhood all the real and personal property that I hold a claim that is not by this will otherwise disposed of also the following Negroes, to wit, Will, Hannah, Night, & her three children, Selah, Sam, Flora, Ben, York, Perry & Charly. which said Negroes I lend to her during life and at her death the Negroe man York to go to the use of my son Ezekiel F. Smith to him and his heirs forever, and Perry to my son William C. Smith to him and his heirs forever. and the balance at her death including future increase to be equally divided between the following Children, viz, Aaron, David, Scott, Abington and my daughters Saurana Latimer & Secunda Belcher. I also will that all the real and personal property that I hold or claim to be sold and equally divided among the following Children at the death of my wife or marriage, to wit, David, Aaron, John, Ezekiel, Scott, Abington, Saurana, Secunda & Saurana to them and their heirs forever. I also will to my wife two hundred dollars.

Item 2nd To my son David Smith I give four negroes, to wit, John, Jinny, March, & Ben and one man & Colt bot. of Matthew Humphrey also two hundred dollars to him and his heirs forever.

Item 3rd To my daughter Phoebe Walker I give one negro girl Handy to her and her heirs forever.

Item 4th To my daughter Elizabeth Corthorn during life the following property, to wit, Tamer, Hannah, George & Will and at her death to be the property of my two grand sons, David Corthorn & Ezekiel Corthorn, to wit, George to David & Hannah to Ezekiel. The girl Tamer & her future increase to be equally divided between the lawful heirs of the body to them and their heirs forever.

Item 5th To my son Aaron Smith I give one negro boy Kember to him and his heirs forever.

Item 6th To my son David Smith I give one negro boy to him and his heirs forever.

Item 7th To Abington & Smith I give one negro boy Elie

him and his heirs forever.

Item 8.th To my daughter Seemana Latimer one negro boy Eiji one feather bed & furniture to her and her heirs forever.

Item 9.th To my daughter Susinda Belcher one negro boy Elba one negro woman Mahaka, one bed & furniture to and her heirs forever.

Item 10.th To my son William C. Smith I give eight negroes Bob, Johnson, Ross, his wife & their children Solomon, Jinny, Abraham, Spencer, & Muscles, three cows & calves, two yearling Heifers, two yearling steers, ten head of sheep, two notes on Robert Andrews and as much of Sanford, Bailey & Kendall, as will be sufficient to pay the balance for Robert Andrews land and two hundred dollars as a compensation for the maintenance of Jack his life also the household and kitchen furniture at the wife's death or marriage.

Item 11.th To my daughter Louisa Johnson I give the following negroes, to wit, Pompey, Nancy, Mary, Missy, Levi, & Preston, one feather bed & furniture to her and her heirs forever.

Item 12.th I will that the negro girl Sarah be sold by the Executors and the money arising from such sale be the right of my daughter Elizabeth to use to her own & proper use. Also I give to my daughter Elizabeth Cortman one hundred dollars.

Item 13.th I will that the present crop of corn, wheat &c. to be given to my wife and William C. Smith their support.

Item 14.th I constitute and appoint my sons Ezekiel F. Smith & William C. Smith my Executors to this my will and testament and disannuls all other made by me. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 24th January 1821.

Wm. Shivers

Jno. Andrews

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Ezekiel Smith

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Hancock County } Inferior Court sitting for ord

purpose 6th March 1821.

The last will and testament of Ezekiel Smith dec'd was proven in Open Court by the oaths of Dr. Andrews and William Shivers two of the subscribing witnesses to the same who also testify that they saw Thomas Smith subscribe the same as a witness in presence of the whereupon it is Ordered that said Will be admitted to record, and that letters testamentary be granted to nominated Executors by said Dec. in said last Will William C. Smith one of the nominated executors duly qualified and letters testamentary granted to accordingly

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Hancock County } Inferior Court sitting for Ordinary June 7th May 1821.

Ezekiel F. Smith one of the Executors of Ezekiel Smith dec'd came forward and was duly qualified and his Order to be inserted in the letters testamentary with William C. Smith ^{who} was formerly qualified.

An Inventory of all the personal property belong to the estate of Ezekiel Smith dec'd taken 6th day of March 1821.

One Note of hand on E. H. Baxter dated 20 th December 1820. due one day after date	...	100
1 Note of hand on Samuel Jones dated July 11 th 1820 due one day after date	150.00	100
Or 17 th Dec. 1820	Paid	50.00
1 Note of hand on Jesse Egell dated 4 th day of January 1815 payable 1 st day after date	...	200
1 Note of hand given by H. T. H. Kendall dated 25 th May 1820 payable one day after date	145.00	100
Or 30 th Sept 1820	Paid	200.00
1 Negro man ^{Woman} named Hannah	\$250	50
Man Peter	\$400	100
Man Pompey	\$600	100
Man Harry	\$400	75
Girl Mary	\$350	60
Girl Clarisy	\$300	60
Girl Charity	\$500	100
Man & Woman	...	100