

In the Name of God Amen. I James Rush heir of the County of Hancock & State of Georgia do make, constitute and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following.

- 1st I lend to my wife Nancy Rush all the negroes I got by my marriage with her that are in my possession to wit George, Ned, Kate, and all her children together with a boy called Wesley also the plantation whereon I live with the one adjoining it whereon Mr. Rush now lives together with all my stock of Horses, cattle, sheep, hogs and Poultry, and all my Plantation tools, and all my household and Kitchen furniture (except one bed and furniture) during her life, and that my son James Rush look after her business and take care of her during her life, as he may think best for her and to have for his services to have all made on the said Plantations over and above what will serve and support ^{well and} gently during life.
- 2nd I give to my son David Rush the tract of land whereon he did live in Putnam County containing two hundred two & half acres granted to Bolin Moon and one boy called Charles to him and his heirs forever.
- 3rd I give to my son William Rush the one half of the square of land whereon he did live in Putnam County containing one hundred, one and one fourth acres to him and his heirs forever.
- 4th I give to my daughter Patsy Sochet a negro woman called Kate that I raised and her increase to her and her heirs forever.
- 5th I give to my daughter Polly Harwell one negro woman called Sally and her increase that is to say her child that went with her to her and her heirs forever.
- 6th I give to my son James Rush the land he now lives on purchased of Robert Jackson containing two hundred and seventy acres, and one negro boy called Harbert now in his possession and bed & furniture to him and his heirs forever.
- 7th I give to all my children living and to the heirs of my son John Rush del: all my property but my wife at his death (except the negroes that I got by him) to be equally divided.
- 8th I do appoint James Rush & Henry Harris John Roper

and David Lewis my Executors to carry this my last will into effect
revoeking all other my wills heretofore made. Given under my
hand and seal this 16th day of March 1820.

In presence of
Hamlin Lewis
Peterson Harris
James Rush
Henry M. Buckner
James G. Lewis

Seal Rec Seal

Georgia } Inferior Court sitting for Ordinary purposes 3^d
Hancock County } November 1823.

Present their Honors

John Turner
Hartwell Gary
Anderson Abernethy
John Graybill

The last will and testament of James Rush dec. was proven in open
Court by the oaths of Hamlin Lewis, Peterson Harris, James Rush and
James G. Lewis all the subscribing witnesses to the said will,
whereupon it is ordered that the said will be admitted to record.

Ann Rush an aged & infirm & incompetent person to manage her
own affairs having chosen Anderson Hartwell her guardian -
Ordered that he be appointed her guardian in terms of the law, and
that he give bond and security in the sum of ten thousand dollars

January Term 1824.

Present their Honors

Hartwell Gary
John Graybill
W. L. Garrison
Anderson Abernethy
John Turner

On motion of Counsel in behalf of James Rush, Ordered that the appoint-
ment of Anderson Hartwell as guardian for Ann Rush eldest & widow
of James Rush dec. be revoked and that said James Rush nominate
in the last will & testament of the said James Rush dec. as guardian
of the said Ann according to the appoint-
ment in said will - and further that the said

admitted & qualified as executor of said last will & testament.

To the application of James Ruse for the revocation of the letters of guardianship of Anderson Harwell to Ann Ruse and for letters testamentary on the estate of James Ruse dec: the legatus appear by their Attorney Ephros Staples, to wit, Ann Ruse, Joel Ruse: orphans, David Ruse: orphans, Anderson Harwell and others legatus named in said will and enter their caveat to the revocation of said letters of guardianship and granting letters testamentary to said James Ruse on the following grounds

- 1st Said James ought to give security for letters testamentary for that he is insolvent and there are unsatisfied judgments against him and he will not without being required to give said security, do justice to the legatus
- 2nd There is no good reason for revoking said letters of guardianship as they were granted at the request of said Ann Ruse.

Ephros Staples

Atty for the legatus

The Court having heard the parties in the above case do order that said James Ruse give security in the sum of four thousand dollars and that on that condition only letters testamentary be granted to him, and that said letters of guardianship be confirmed -

November term 1824.

Present Their Honors

Hartwell Gary

James Ruse (opposit)

Wm L. Mason & Hartus

vs

Ephros Staples &

The legatus of James

Ruse dec: dec: Respond: } On reading & showing to the Court the decision & order of the Honorable the Superior Court had in this cause - It is ordered that James Ruse be admitted and qualified as executor of the last will & testament of James Ruse dec: late of this County deceased - and also, that he be qualified as guardian of the widow of the said James Ruse dec: said will having been duly proven in this Court on the third day of Nov: It is further ordered that the letters of guardianship granted to Anderson Harwell be revoked - and that the said