

I Robert Simms of the County of Hancock and State of Georgia do make, Ordain and constitute this to be my last will and testament in manner and form following -

- 1st to my wife that all my just debts be paid -
- 2^d I give to my son John Simms all the property that I have heretofore given him, I except that I have lately sold him -
- 3^d I give unto Gerard Burch Jr. all the property that I have heretofore put into his hands -
4. I give unto my daughter Betsey Askey all the property that I have heretofore put into her hands
5. I give unto my daughter Polly Gurnell all the property that I have heretofore put into her hands.
6. I give to my daughter Sally Simms two Negroes Fanny and her daughter Leor, one feather bed and furniture, horse, bridle and Saddle -
7. I give unto my daughter Penny Simms two negroes Warwick and Tredy, one feather bed and furniture horse, bridle and Saddle -
8. I give unto my daughter Ann Simms two Negroes Isaac and Bird, one feather bed and furniture horse bridle and Saddle and furthermore one negro girl ~~just~~ by the name of Elathur and her increase if any they be but remain in the hands of my wife during her natural life -
9. I give unto my son Britain Simms all my land that lies on the north side of the road leading from Powelson to Greenborough also the field that I first cleared on the land I bought of James Garrett and when I die my son

Britain some time since by the name of Sarah
and I give in return for the said negro girl
one boy by the name of Lewis unto my son
Britain Simms in full for the said negro girl
10. I give unto my beloved wife Sally Simms the
said negroes during her natural life Sam
Henry Jack, Sall and Lewis together the use of
all my stock of horses, cattle, hogs and sheep
plantation utensils, household and kitchen
furniture. I also give unto my wife the use
and benefit of all the remaining part of
my lands and improvements which is not already
divided to my son Britain for and during her
natural life and at her death to become the
property of my son Britain Simms and his heirs
forever. Also at her death it is my desire
that the above five negroes together with all
the rest of the personal property to be equally
divided among four of my children (to wit)
Britain Simms, Sally Simms, Penny Simms and
Ann Simms with the exception of four hundred
dollars which is to be disposed of in the
following manner to my son John Simms
one hundred dollars to my daughter Betty Astley
one hundred dollars to my daughter Polly
Gause one hundred dollars and to my grand
son Robert S. Burch one hundred dollars -
It is my desire the negroes the negroes given to
my two youngest daughters remain in the hands
of my wife for their support until they become of
age or marriage.

I do hereby nominate and
and appoint John Simms Britain Simms

and James Askey my Executors to this my will
this 7th day of June 1815-

Robt. Simms

Witness

John Henderson

John Rudgill

William Lancaster

Hancock County of Ordinary 5th June 1815

The last will & testament of Robert Simms dec.
was duly proved in Open Court by the Oaths of John
Henderson, John Rudgill and William Lancaster
Subscribing witnesses to the same and Ordered to
be recorded. Whereupon it is Ordered that letters
testamentary issue to the nominated Executors who
qualify to the same - John Simms and James
Askey two of the nominated Executors being
qualified accordingly -

~~Robert Askey~~

Georgia, Hancock Inferior Court sitting for Ordinary
purposes 1st September 1817.

Britain Simms one of the nominated Executors
of Robert Simms dec. came into Court & was
duly qualified & his name ordered to be inscribed
in the letters testamentary granted to John
Simms & James Askey on the 5th day of
June 1815.

An appraisement of the personal estate of Robert
 Somers decd. The 18th of August 1815

1 feather bed, furniture & bed	\$40. 1 Do Do	\$34	74 -
1 Do Do	\$30. 1 Dishes	\$36	66 -
1 Do Do	\$36. 1 Dishes	\$36	72 -
1 Do Do	\$30. 1 large chest	150 -	31 50
1 old Desk	\$10. 2 stools, 1 corded Counterpane	\$10 -	20 -
12 White stools	\$30. 6 checked Do	\$15	45 -
3 old Counterpane	\$20. 3 corded Do	\$12 -	32 -
2 Trunks	\$2. 1 small pine Table	\$2 -	4 -
1 Walnut Table & Cove	\$11. 1 side board	\$12 -	23 -
1 Cupboard	\$10. 1 lot of Books	\$14	24 -
10 Chair	\$5. 1 pine Table	150	6 50
1 Flax Wheel	\$5. 1 Loom & Lye	\$8 -	13 -
4 Spinning Wheel	7.50. 1 large pot	\$6 -	13 50
Kitchen furniture	\$10. 4 Bee hives	\$8 -	18 -
1 Negro Man Harry	\$450. - 1 Do Do Tom	\$400	850 -
1 Do Do Lewis	\$500. 1 Do woman Jael	\$400	900 -
1 do boy Warwick	\$400. 1 Do Jack	\$350	750 -
1 do do Isaac	\$350. 1 Do Bird	\$250 -	600 -
1 do woman Fanny	\$350. 1 girl Matthew	\$275	625 -
1 do girl Triss	\$175. 1 Do Lior	\$200	375 -
1 Servant Man	\$75. 1 Do Filly	\$80. -	155 -
1 boy Do	\$50. 1 gray mare	\$65 -	115 -
1 small horse Coll	\$40. 1 Apoc Oxen	\$40 -	80 -
6 Gray Yearlings	\$60. 2 Steers 1 Bull	\$15 -	75 -
1 large Bull	\$42. 14 Sheep	\$28	40 -
15 Shoals	\$15. 21 Hogs	\$63	78 -
2 Sows	\$7. 1 do Saw Gin & running gear	\$110	117 -
1 do Saw Gin	\$10. 1 ft. Shed yard	\$3	13 -
5 Shoals & 3 Steers	\$4. 15 hunting Hoes	\$3 -	7 -
1 do Cart	\$12. 1 Grindstone	\$5 -	17 -
5 ft. Gun & Hany	12.50. 5 Swinglows & Clines	250	15 -
25 Gills	12.50. 10 Mending Hoes	200 -	15 -
7 Axes	7.50. 1 do do	180	8 50

