

Georgia
Hancock County } In the name of God Amen

I William Hamilton of the County and State aforesaid being in health of body and of perfect mind and memory thanks be given unto God, calling unto mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men to die, do make and Ordain this my last Will and testament that is to say, principally and first of all: I give and recommend my soul into the hand of Almighty God that gave it and my body I recommend to the earth to be buried in a decent Christian like manner at the discretion of my Executors nothing doubting but at the general resurrection I shall receive the same again by the Mighty power of God: and as touching such worldly estate wherewith it has pleased God to bless me in this life I give, demise and dispose of in the following manner and form—

First. To my two Nephews Joel Mabry and Lewis Mabry sons of my sister Susannah Mabry the following negroes here after named Beck, Peter, Tom, Silvery, Aggy, Stephen, Henry, Ben, Frank, Sarah, Lucy, Isham, Lydia, Moses, Nancy, Dennis, Betty, Fan, Rachel, Anthony, Abram, Harry, Hall, Rob and Charles, them and their increase forever to be equally divided between the the above named Joel Mabry and Lewis Mabry, and if either of the ^{above} named persons should die without a lawfull heir, then and in that case their equal part is to be equally divided betwixt

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my brother John Hamiltons Children namely
Thomas Hamilton, George Hamilton, William
Hamilton and Aired Hamilton & And also
it is my Will and desire that all the residue
of my estate both real and personal be equally
divided between Thomas Hamilton, George Hamilton,
William Hamilton & Aired Hamilton to them &
their heirs forever. Also it is my Will & desire
that my friends Henry Mitchell & Jesse Grigg be
my Executors to this my last will & Testament

In Witness whereof I have hereunto
set my hand and affixed my seal this fifth
day of January in the year of our Lord
one thousand, eight hundred and nine-

Signed, sealed & delivered
in the presence of us,

Wm. Hamilton (Seal)

Thos Barnes

Wyatt Collier

Cassy Askew

Georgia, Hancock County of Ordinary 2^d Octob. 1815

The last will and testament of William Hamilton
decd. was proven in open Court by the oaths
of Wyatt Collier and Thomas Barnes two of the
subscribing witnesses to said will, who also
testify that they saw Cassy Askew sign ~~the~~
the same as a witness. & said will ordered
to be recorded -