

Last Will & Testament of Abel Nelson

Harris County Will Book 2 (1850-1875)

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Georgia
Harris County } I Abel Nelson being of advanced
age but of sound disposing mind
and memory and knowing that all
men are mortal or later must die I right-
and proper that I make this my last will
and Testament Revoking all wills heretofore made
by me

First.

I desire that my body be buried in a decent and
Christian like manner suitable to my circumstances
and condition in life My Soul I trust shall
return to rest with God who gave it and
hope for Salvation through the merits and atonement
of the blessed Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ

3. Secondly I give and bequeath to my Brother
William Nelson my land without and
all my interest in the same and all my debts

Secondly I desire that all my just debts and
funeral expenses be paid without delay
by my Executor hereinafter named & appointed

Fourthly

I give and bequeath to my Nephew
Andrew J. Nelson of Union County State of
North Carolina Twenty Five Dollars

Fifthly

I give and bequeath my Nephew John B
Nelson Son of my Brother Andrew Nelson
my Gold Watch

Sixthly

I give and bequeath my Niece Mary Nelson
Daughter of my Brother Andrew Nelson Twenty Five Dollars

Seventhly

I give and bequeath to my Niece Polly Nelson
Daughter of Brother Robert Nelson Twenty Five Dollars

Eighthly

I give and bequeath to my Niece Nancy Nelson
Daughter of my Brother Robert Nelson Twenty Five Dollars

Ninthly

I give and bequeath to my Nephew Abel Nelson Son
of my Nephew John A. Nelson Fifty Dollars

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Twenty I give to my Grand Nephew George H. Nelson 275
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Plantation on which I now live in Harris County Ga
Then Eleventh

I Give to Rosana A Nelson Widow of my
Nephew Abel H Nelson my Family Bible

Then Twelfth all the balance of my Property not herein
bequeathed to be sold by my Executor and
After Paying the above Specific legacies and found
Expenses to be equally divided amongst all my
Relations named in this my will then and there
alike

Then Thirteenth I do hereby Constitute and appoint my
Son the William Nelson Executor of this
my last will and Testament
This May 18th 1867

Abel Nelson (LS)

Signatures stated delivered and published by Abel Nelson
in his last will and Testament in the presence
of all the undersigned who Subscribed our Names
before in the presence of Sara Tator at her
Special instance and request and in the presence
of each other This May 18th 1867
in the Name of Abel Nelson in the North West
Quarter before signing

Jas H Hargy
 D S Stanford
 N H Borden

State of Georgia
Harris County Court of Ordinary Term 1870

Personally appeared in open
Court William Nelson Constituted and appointed in a Paper
writing purporting to be the last will and Testament
of Abel Nelson late of Harris County deceased
Executor of said decedent and produced said Paper writing
for Probate and also appeared D S Stanford N H
Borden Jas H Hargy all of the Subscribers writing
said paper writing who being duly sworn
Affirmed and Said that they saw the said decedent
before him and that he was of sound mind and
writing now present in his own handwriting
Testament freely voluntarily of his own accord and
in comparison or without influence whatever
made at the time of the signing of said will

Said Testator of Sound disposing mind
and that dependent signed said will
as witness in the presence of the Testator at his
request and in presence of each other
Surren to & Subscribed
before me August 1st 1870

J. F. Williams

M. H. Jordan
L. L. Stanford
J. A. H. H. H.

State of Georgia } Court of Ordinary
Harris County } August Term 1870

Personally appeared in open Court William Nelson
appointed and constituted Executor of the last will
and Testament of Abiel Nelson deceased and
to the Codicil to the same and produced said
Paper writing for Probate and also appeared in
open Court George W. Mullins and M. H. Jordan
two of the Subscribed witnesses to the Codicil
of the will of said Abiel Nelson dated and
executed on the 19th day of September Eighteen
Seventy and being duly sworn depose and say that they saw
Abiel Nelson sign said Paper writing and deliver
the said Paper writing now presented and also
in aforesaid as a Codicil and a part of the
last will and Testament freely voluntarily of his
own accord without any compulsion or
undue influence whatever that at the time
of the Execution of the same said will and
Codicil of Sound disposing mind and memory
that dependent signed said Codicil as
witness in the presence of the Testator at his
request in the presence of each other that
they saw J. F. Williams the other Subscribed
Witness sign the same in the presence of the
Testator and at his request

Surren to & Subscribed
before me Aug 1st 1870

J. F. Williams

Geo W Mullins
M. H. Jordan