

# Last Will & Testament of Elizabeth Goodman and Recorded

State of Georgia } In the name of God Amen  
 Harris County } I Elizabeth Goodman of said State and County being  
 of an advanced age and knowing that I must shortly depart this life do  
 it right and proper both as respects my family and myself, that I should  
 make a disposition of the property with which a kind providence has  
 blessed me do therefore make this my last Will and Testament hereby  
 revoking all others heretofore made by me.

- 1 Item I desire and direct that my body be buried in a decent and Chris-  
 tian like manner, suitable to my circumstances and condition in  
 life. My soul I trust shall return to rest with God who gave it.
- 2 Item I desire and direct that all my just debts be paid without delay  
 by my Executors hereinafter appointed, as I am unwilling my  
 creditors should be delayed in their rights as there is no necessity  
 for such delay.
- 3 Item I give and bequeath devise to my four younger Children (namely)  
 Albert G. Mary H. Sarah J. and Texas A. P. Goodman each a bed-  
 sted bed and furniture
- 4 Item I give bequeath and devise unto my children namely; James L.  
 Allen S. Laura C. Esther H. Samuel C. Julia A. Hiram A. Albert G.  
 Mary H. Sarah J. and Texas A. P. all the property and effects that  
 I am in possession of or may possess have or in any wise own at  
 the time of my death to be equally divided between them.
- 5 Item If any of my aforesaid Children die without legal heirs their portion  
 of my said Estate shall be equally divided among the other living children.
- 6 Item I hereby constitute and appoint my sons John S. and Samuel C. Good-  
 man Executors of this my last Will and Testament -  
 this April 29<sup>th</sup> 1861.

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Signified, sealed, declared and published by Elizabeth Goodman as her last Will and Testament in the presence of us  
 the subscribers who subscribed our names hereto in the presence  
 of said Testator at her special instance and request and of  
 each other this April 29<sup>th</sup> 1861.

W. H. Henry  
 James M. Culpepper  
 Joel Culpepper  
 Mark S. McLean Jr.

State of Georgia } Court of Ordinary December Term  
 Harris County } 1862

Personally appeared in open Court John S. Goodman & Samuel C.  
 Goodman, constituted and appointed in a paper writing purporting  
 to be the last Will and Testament of Elizabeth Goodman decen-  
 ses a late of said County, as Executors of said decedent and  
 produced said paper writing; And also personally came Joel C.  
 Culpepper and James H. Henry two of the subscribing witnesses to  
 said paper writing who being duly sworn depose and say that said  
 Testatrix Elizabeth Goodman authorized one of the witnesses to  
 wit James H. Henry to sign, seal, publish and declare the  
 paper writing now presented in open Court as her last Will and

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Testament: freely, voluntarily, of her own accord without any corrupt  
 gain or undue influence whatever - that at the time of the Execution  
 of said Will said Testatrix was of sound, disposing mind and  
 memory - that deponents signed said Will as witnesses in the presence  
 of the Testatrix and at her request - in the presence of each other, and  
 that they saw James M. Leupffer and Mark S. McFee the other  
 witnesses sign said Will in the presence of the Testatrix and at her  
 request -

Given to and subscribed before me in Open Court -

This December 1<sup>st</sup> 1882

Geo. W. Mullins Clerk

James H. Henry.  
 Joel Leupffer.