

Last Will and Testament of Dudley Davis, dec'd Recorder

State of Georgia | In the name of God - Amen
 Harris County | I, Dudley Davis of said State and County, being of advanced age but of sound mind but infirm in body; and knowing that I must shortly depart this life, deem it right and proper that I should make some disposition of the little property, with which a kind providence has blessed; do therefore make this my Last Will and Testament, revoking and setting aside all other wills made by me.

Item 1st 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.

Item 2nd I desire that all my just debts be paid with as little delay as possible which I am thankful are but few, as I do not wish that my creditors should not receive their dues.

Item 3rd I give and bequeath unto my beloved son James G. Davis an equal division of all my property, when sold or disposed of, and do appoint my son James G. Davis Trustee for said son James G. Davis to take in possession said said son James G. Davis's share of my estate, and let him have none of it in his hands only what will support him, and of said son James G. Davis's share is left at his death to be equally divided between all my other Legatees.

Item 4th I give and bequeath unto my beloved son James G. Davis an equal share of all my estate when sold or disposed of.

Item 5th I give and bequeath unto my beloved son William L. Davis an equal share of all my estate when sold or disposed of.

Item 6th I give and bequeath unto my beloved son Joshua Davis an equal share of all my estate when sold or disposed of.

Item 7 I give and bequeath unto my beloved daughter Mary Davis wife of George B. Davis an equal share of all my estate when sold or disposed of for the sole use of said Mary Davis and her heirs to be their own property in fee simple.

Item 8th I give and bequeath unto the four sons of my deceased daughter Catherine Post who was the wife of Allen Post viz: Wiley Post, Allen Post, Joseph Post and Guins Post, an equal share with my other Legatees viz: one share of all my estate when sold or disposed of to be equally divided between said heirs.

Item 9th I give and bequeath unto my beloved daughter Elizabeth Jones wife of John R. Jones to her and her heirs of her body an equal share of all my estate when sold or disposed of.

Item 10th I give and bequeath unto my beloved daughter Harriet Calloway wife of William S. Calloway an equal share of all my estate to her and her heirs of her body when sold or disposed of.

Item 11th I give and bequeath unto my beloved daughter Solitha Hoadly wife of James Hoadly, an equal share of all my estate to her and the heirs of her body when sold or disposed of.

Item 12th I give and bequeath unto my beloved daughter Sarah Jennings wife of Marshall Jennings an equal share of all my estate to her and the heirs of her body when sold or disposed of.

Item 13th I give and bequeath unto my beloved daughter Jane Lyle wife of James Lyle ten dollars, believing she has already had her share of my estate.

Last Will & Testament of Judith Davis and Continues

Georgia Harris County,

before me Term March Court of Ordinary March 7-1863-

Jessie S. J. Davis the nominated & appointed Executor in a Codicil to a paper writing purporting to be the last Will & Testament of Judith Davis died late of Harris County having produced said paper writing dated July 18th 1858, and said Codicil dated October Decemr 1862 for Probate. And Laura A. Cornett one of the Subscribing Witnesses to said Codicil having come into Court and being duly sworn says that she signs said Codicil as a Subscribing Witness at the request of the said Judith Davis, in her presence - that she saw the said Judith, sign seal publish and declare the said Codicil as part of her last Will and Testament, freely, voluntarily, of her own accord without any compulsion or any undue influence whatever, and she therein states and that she was of sound disposing mind and memory at the time of signing said Codicil, and that she acknowledged the said paper writing now presented dated July thirtieth 1858 and to which said Codicil is attached as her last Will and Testament. She further swears that she saw Jane G. Hoke, & Alex B. Hoke the other Subscribing Witnesses to said Codicil sign said Codicil as Witnesses at the request of the said Judith Davis in her presence & in the presence of each other, and that Alex B. Hoke is dead and Jane G. Hoke has removed to the State of Alabama. Given to and Subscribed before me in open Court this 7th 1863

Laura A. Cornett

Geo. W. Mullins Ordinary