

# Last Will and Testament of Philimon Champion Recorded

State of Georgia } March 7<sup>th</sup> 1864  
 Harris County } In the name of God Amen.  
 I Philimon Champion being of sound and disposing mind and  
 but of feeble health, make this my last Will and Testament hereby  
 revoking all others whatever  
 It is my Will after all my just debts are paid in full, for all  
 of my property owned by me or in my name, be kept together  
 for the support of my wife and smaller children, and the education  
 of my children, that require an education and the property consist-  
 ing of Land, Negroes, Stock of all kinds Money &c be managed to  
 the best interest for all concerned. I furthermore Will that my  
 whole estate of property of all kinds be kept together until my young-  
 est child is eighteen years old at which time it is my Will that  
 there be a fair and equal division made of my whole estate between  
 all of my legal heirs

I hereby appoint and make my beloved wife Sandal B. Champion  
 my lawful Executrix to this my last Will and Testament

In Testimony whereof I Philimon Champion have hereunto set  
 my hand and affixed my seal in the presence of three Witness  
 and Witnesses have signed it in the presence of one another

Witnesses by  
 Thomas S. Mitchell  
 John M. Nelson  
 R. H. Nelson



Philimon Champion

State of Georgia } Court of Ordinary November  
 Harris County } Term 1865

Personally appeared in open Court Sandal B. Champion  
 duly appointed in a paper writing purporting to be the last  
 Will and Testament of Philimon Champion deceased late  
 of said County as Executrix of said deceased and pro-  
 duce said paper writing. And also personally came to said  
 Court S. Mitchell and John M. Nelson two of the Witnesses to said  
 paper writing who after being duly sworn depose & say  
 that they saw the said Philimon Champion, sign, seal  
 publish and declare, the said paper writing now presented  
 in open Court, as his last Will and Testament, fully, volun-  
 tarily of his own accord without any compulsion or any  
 undue influence whatever - that at the time of the ex-  
 ecution of said Will, said Testator was of sound dispo-  
 sing mind & memory - that deponents signed said Will  
 as Witnesses in the presence of the Testator at his request  
 in the presence of each other, and that they saw R. H.  
 Nelson the other Witness sign said Will in the presence of  
 the Testator and at his request

Sworn to & Subscribed  
 before me in open Court  
 the Nov. 6 - 1865  
 Geo. W. Mullins

Thos S. Mitchell  
 J. M. Nelson

Statement of Benjamin Champion Continued

I solemnly swear that this writing contains the true last Will of Benjamin Champion deceased, so far as I know or believe, and that I will well & truly execute the same in accordance with the laws of this State so help me God.

Witness my hand before  
me this 2nd day of 1861

Geo. W. Mullins

Ordinary

Benjamin  
Champion  
Mark