

William Copeland's Senior Will Recorde

State of Georgia Harris County.

July the 17. in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty eight

Knowing that it is appointed for all men to die and in view of that event I have thought proper to make this my last Will and Testament

1. It is my Will that immediately after my death that my Executors do receive my just debts to be paid
2. Feeling desirous to make a suitable arrangement for my wife Mary Copeland I do therefore give her absolutely and forever a negro man named Cicero three feather Beds and the furniture that properly belongs to them to dispose of as she pleases.
3. I wish my wife Mary Copeland to have the use of the lands lying South of the road leading to H. M. Trammell's and South of the same road running a South East course to the Forks, one road leading to Columbus the other to the Double Bridges on Flint River, from said fork to run a due East course to follow the South or branch line of the peach Orchard the line dividing between me and Mrs Murrah until it strikes the road leading to Vally Plains to continue said road as far as my land extends; also the field immediately north of the house containing thirty acres more or less with the use of all the Buildings on the above named premises Three negroes to wit Green a man Caroline a woman and Rich a boy, Carriage and pair of Mules - Ten head of Cattle twenty head of Hogs one Yoke of Oxen and a Waggon - one Bureau - one Bed Board - two Sals - one Chest, one table half dozen chairs and as much Kitchen Furniture as necessary and as much provision as will support her twelve months. I wish my wife Mary Copeland to have all of the Articles mentioned in this Item as long as she lives or remains a widow or continues at the place where I now live. When she dies marries or removes then all of the articles mentioned in this Item I wish equally divided between my children which will be here after named.
4. I Will Francis M. Trammell Five Dollars
5. I Will Martha Mullins a negre Girl named Adeline
6. I Wish the balance of my property to be divided into Six equal Shares giving to Baldwin Copeland one Share to Martha Mullins one Share to William Copeland one Share to Alexander Copeland one Share to Martha Mullins one Share to the children of Peter Copeland and one Share to wit John T. Copeland Ann Trammell and Pindney A Copeland to be equally divided with the three above named children one Share to the children of my daughter Sarah Trammell and one Share to wit William M. Trammell P. T. Trammell Martha T. Lee Cicero Trammell Augustus Trammell A. L. Trammell Sarah T. Lee and the children of Marcellus C Trammell Successors and that said children shall have their Share paid to them by my Executors in money and that said money to be raised from the Sale of property of my Estate as soon as it can be legally done and equally divided with the above named children of Sarah Trammell and I appoint William Copeland Junior and Jesse Mullins my Executors

William Copeland Esq. Will Continued
and affixed my seal in the year of our Lord one thousand eight-
hundred and fifty-eight assigned, sealed and executed in the
presence and in presence of each other

Elijah Brakfield
G. W. Cooke
Oscar Barnes Jr.



William Copeland Esq.
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Georgia } Court of Admiralty April Term 1859
Harris County } Personally appeared in open Court William
Copeland Jr. one of the Executors named in a paper writing pur-
porting to be the last Will & Testament of William Copeland Esq. late
of said County deceased and produced said paper writing; and
also personally came Elijah Brakfield George W. Cooke and
Oscar Barnes the subscribing witnesses to said paper writing who being
duly sworn depose and say that they saw the said Testator William
Copeland Esq. sign, seal deliver and publish the said pa-
per writing now presented in open Court as his last Will and Testa-
ment, freely, voluntarily and of his own accord without any com-
pulsion or influence whatever, that at the time of the execution of
said Will said Testator was of sound and disposing mind and
memory that defendants signed said Will as witnesses in the presence
of the Testator and at his special instance and request and
in the presence of each other

Sworn to and Subscribed before
me this April 4th 1859
Geo. H. Mullins Ordinary



Elijah Brakfield
G. W. Cooke
Oscar Barnes