

last will & testament of John Black dec'd. & that the
same be proved of the same the person of John & the same
be in this before laid out & expended. Judgment signed
this Sept 20/54. N. G. Delany
Atty for Executor

State of Georgia In the name of God Amen, I John
Black County Clerk of said State & County, being of ad-
vanced age & in very feeble health & knowing that I must shortly
depart this life, being at right & proper that I should make a full
disposition of the property which a kind Providence has
blessed me, do therefore make this my last will & tes-
tament. I desire & direct that all my just debts
be paid by my executors, herein after appointed. I give &
bequeath to my beloved wife Nancy, lot of land
traverse run It being the plantation where I now
live, also all my stock of hogs, Cattle, mules & horses farm
tools, House hold & Kitchen furniture & Cuggy & wagon &
I give to her own proper use & childrens benefit &
behalf I give & bequeath to my wife Nancy of the same at
any time she sees fit. I hereby appoint my
beloved wife Nancy executrix & my worthy son Henry
Black executor of this my last will & testament. 8 March
1860.

Hard County Wills (1847-1862)

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John Black
Signed, sealed & delivered in the presence of us a witnesses
to the last will & testament of John Black at his own special
request & in his presence, 8th March 1860.

John S. Hardy E. J. Jones E. Lewis E. Minerva Hardy E. B. Nancy Hardy E. B.

Hard County of Ordinary. May term 1860.
The will of John Black being produced in open Court for
probate by the executor, who then filed this petition to prove
the same & one of the witnesses to said will I wit. John S. Hardy
having subscribed the following oath and read on the said will
May term 1860. Hard County of Ordinary, came into open
Court at this term of the Court, John S. Hardy & being duly sworn
depose that he saw John Black sign & publish the within as
his last will & testament, while of sound & disposing mind
& that he witnessed the same & then at his request & in
his presence & that he saw the other witnesses sign the
same & witnessed in the presence of the Court & that
the same were executed voluntarily by him on the day

Amos Williams
May 1st 1862. I B. Lewis

I, Amos Williams, of the County of Hart, State of Georgia, being of advanced age & knowing that I must shortly depart this life, desire it to be proper laid as respects my family & myself that I should make a distribution of all my property, which which a kind Providence has blessed me, do therefore make this my last will & testament, hereby revoking all others before made by me. 1st Item, I desire & direct that my body be buried in a decent & Christian-like manner, suitable to my condition in my case I trust I shall return to rest with who gave it, as I hope for eternal salvation. 2nd Item, I desire & direct that all my just debts be paid without delay by my executors herein after appointed, as I am unwilling my creditors should be delayed in their rights so far as there is no necessity for delay. 3rd Item, I bequest & desire to my beloved nephew, Geo. Walker Carns whom I have helped to raise to the age of fifteen years, one more fifty, 4th Item, I bequest & desire mine acres of land bounded by Mr. Craft & Mrs. Carns if not at my death sold then to be sold by my executors & pay all my debts any I owe & the balance of the purchase money, if there be, to belong to my executors. Viz. Saml & Richard Carns. 5th Item, I give bequest & desire to my brother Samuel Carns one parcel or tract of land on which he now dwells, namely five acres more or less, containing an Ash Grove on a branch above the spring line on the north side of the creek, the line between myself & James Carns, the line near the road about 1/2 mile long along said road from the