

Ordinary Office Jasper County

In the name of God amen - I James Hayes of the County
of Jasper and State of Georgia, being in a weak state of health
but sound in mind and memory, thank be to God for the
same, and calling to mind the uncertainty of my body
and knowing that it is appointed once for all to die -
I do make and ordain this my last will & Testament.
Principally and first of all, I recommend my soul in
the hand of God that gave it. And as touching such
worldly estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me
in this life, I give and bequeath in the manner & form
following, wit, I will first that all my Just debts be
should be paid - Secondly that my wife Nancy Hayes
should have the balance of my estate, during her natural
life - and at her death or intermarriage
then my property to be sold and the money equally
divided amongst my children, namely, James Hayes
Thomas Hayes, Benjamin Hayes, John Hayes, Polly
Hayes, Nancy Hayes, Betsey Hayes, & William Hayes -
And I constitute and appoint Nancy Hayes my wife
and Thomas S. Hayes my executor, to this my last
Will and Testament - Ratifying and confirming, revoking
all other wills by me heretofore made, ratifying and
confirming this to be last will and Testament, this
15th day of May 1825. As witness my hand & seal -

In presence of us
Samuel White
Anna Williams
Luke Williams

James Hayes (Seal)