

were subscribing witnesses to the same and the testator was of sound mind and memory at the execution thereof. Sworn to and subscribed in open Court 7th July 1817.

J. Smith for
A. Carter Clk.

James Hagan.

(Elizabeth Hood's Will)

In the name of God Amen I Elizabeth Hood of the County of Jones and of the State of Georgia being in a low state of health but in perfect sense and memory I resign my body to the earth and my spirit to God that gave it. I do give and bequeath to my beloved son William Petty all the land I possess and personal property except my wearing apparel which I desire should be divided equally between my two daughters Winey Timinkale Lucrecy Burton likewise I give and bequeath to my son Zachariah Petty five dollars given under my hand and seal this 24th day of August 1817. Signed sealed and delivered in presence of

Test

Elizabeth Hood

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George Duncan

Jesse Duncan

Georgia. Came into open Court George Duncan + Jesse Jones County, Duncan being sworn earth that they were subscribing witnesses to the within will and saw the testatrix sign the same as her last will and that she was of sound mind and memory. Sworn to in open Court this 3^d November 1817.

George Duncan

A. Carter

Jesse Duncan

In the name of God Amen I James Denson of the State of Georgia and County of Jones being weak of body but of perfect mind and memory calling unto mind the mortality of my body and knowing that is appointed unto man once to die do make and ordain this my last will and testament (viz) First I commend my soul unto the hands of God who gave it and my body to the earth to be buried in a decent Christian burial at the discretion of my executors and as touching my worldly estate as it hath pleased God to bless me with I give and bequeath demise and dispose ^{of the same} in the following manner and form viz It is my wish that all my land in so County be sold immediately as it can be done advantageously

and if not as soon as it can after another year made and that my present crop of cotton with all the stock that can be spared be sold as soon as possible and the crop that may be made the present year if the land can't be sold and when the land is sold with all the stock and all debts collected that is due me and all paid that is due from me then it is my wish that an equal division be made betwixt my beloved wife and heirs of my son James H my daughters Rebecca Elizabeth Antish and Jeremiah with the following exceptions I give unto the children of my son James a child's part of my estate to be at his service and use but the right never to be conveyed out of their part and to his son my grandson Jesse Shadrach the sum of five hundred dollars over and above and that my daughter Rebecca have her proportion of my estate in money and not to have any part of my negroes and that my daughter Mary Tucker be paid or allowed an equal part in money with the rest of my children after deducting five hundred dollars which it is calculated she has already received and it is my wish that my executors do use their own discretion in employing an overseer and keeping the stock making a crop and doing with and for my estate the present year as they may think most to the benefit of the same and I do hereby nominate and appoint my trusty friends Lazarus Battle Luke Bond & Reuben Pope Edward Love and John Cook & Peter Wiche the sole executors of this my last will and testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this tenth day of February in the year of our Lord 1817. signed sealed and acknowledged in presence of us

Nathaniel Halley

H. P. Cook

Shadrach Benson

Arion Stones

James Benson (L.S.)

Georgia Court of ordinary March term 1817. Came Jones County into Court Shadrach Benson Arion Stones being sworn saith that they were requested by the testator to sign the within will for witnesses and they signed the same in presence of the testator and in the

presence of each other and they further say that Nathaniel Hasley and Henry P. Cook signed the same as witnesses and that the testator was of sound mind and memory when to in open Court this 3^d March 1817.

W. Carter Clk.

Amos Stoner
Shadrach Benson

(Elijah Martin's Will.)

January 17th day 1818

I Elijah Martin being in my proper senses and a citizen of Jones County do will and bequeath to my loving daughter Sarah Coulter twenty five cents also my loving daughter Nancy have twenty five cents, also my loving daughter Rachel wit twenty five cents. It is my will that my wife Mary Martin may be in full possession of all the rest of my Estate both real and personal during widowhood. I also appoint my son Levi Martin as my executor in the fear of God to act & transact for me agreeable to my above stated will. It is further my will that Sarah Martin Coulter may have half as much one of the rest that are not above named in the will. It is further my will that all the rest of being may have equal, this acknowledges to be my last will and Testament.

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Elizabeth Chapman. }
J. Grace

Elijah Martin (Real)

Georgia } Then came Solomon Grace into Court
Jones County } who being sworn saith that he was present
and saw Elijah Martin sign execute this as his last will
& testament & that Elizabeth Chapman with this deponent
at the request of said Elijah Martin and in his presence &
in the presence of each other witnessed the same and that
said Elijah Martin was of sound mind at the execution thereof.

S. Grace.

Sworn to & subscribed in
open Court 6th July 1818.

James Smith, C. C. C.

(Richardson Peagins Will)

In the name of God Amen, I Richardson Peagins senior being
of perfect and sound mind and memory do make & ordain