

under his care and protection for the purpose of educating them.  
I want them to have what is called a common farming  
education and I want my brother James Minard to act in  
concert with my brother in law in educating of them.

I term II - I do ordain, constitute and appoint Simpson Taylor and  
William S. Middlebrooks my temporary Executor to act in set-  
tling my business in this State, and then you are to hand over  
to my brother James Minard and brother in law Edward Culbreth  
both of South Carolina, all my property and effects, to be man-  
aged by them according to my will. Given under my hand  
+ seal this twenty eighth day of August 1829.

Test Goodridge Driver.

John Minard (F.S.)

Martin Mellone

Alijah Mellone

N. B. One thing forgotten. My desire is that there should be  
no timber taken of my land, only for the purpose of keeping  
up the fences and as much cut out of the fields as can be.  
Given under my hand this 28<sup>th</sup> of August 1829.

Goodridge Driver

John Minard (F.S.)

Martin Mellone

Alijah Mellone

Georgia Court of Ordinary Oct adj<sup>d</sup> Term 1829.

Jones County this day came into Open Court Martin Malone and  
Alijah Malone, who being duly sworn saith they saw  
the within named Testator John Minard sign his name  
to the within will + codicil, and that they together with  
Goodridge Driver at his special request subscribed their  
names thereto as witnesses in the presence of each other,  
and in the presence of the Testator, and that the Testator was  
of sound and disposing mind and memory at the time of the ex-  
ecution thereof.

Sworn to + subscribed in

Open Court 19<sup>th</sup> October 1829.

Charles Macauley clk. C.O.

John Dickson Will.

Georgia In the name of God Omnipotent.

Jones County I John Dickson of the State and County aforesaid  
being weak of body but of sound and disposing mind and memory  
do make ordain and publish this as my last will and  
testament in manner and form following to wit

Alijah Mellone

Martin Mellone

Item 1<sup>st</sup> I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Martha Dickson and her heirs forever the following named negro slave to wit, Rachel an old woman, Silvia a woman and her children, Abram, Spencer, Frank, Randal, Maria, Sarah, Higgy together with the future increase of the Females, and also One bed bedstead and furniture, One Spinning wheel and Cards and ten dollars in money, and it is my will that should I survive my said wife, that all the above described property shall belong to and absolutely rest in the children of said wife Martha, free from any claim on behalf of myself or my heirs, it being the property of which my said wife was possessed previous to my marriage with her.

Item 2<sup>nd</sup> All the remainder and residue of my property both real and personal after the payment of my debts and funeral expenses it is my will and desire shall be equally divided between my children John, Barnett, Robert, Thomas, Sarah, Nancy, Mary, William, Benjamin by the name of Dickson and the lawful heirs of my daughter Lucy as an heir and my grand daughter Mary Jane Dickson Share and Share alike.

Item 3<sup>rd</sup> I do hereby appoint Thomas Dickson and Benj<sup>m</sup> Dickson my lawful Executors of this my last will & testament that they have the same executed according to the terms thereof.

I am witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 11<sup>th</sup> day of June 1829-

John Dickson <sup>(Signature)</sup>  
*Seal*

Signed, Sealed and published in presence of  
John Sharp

Jacob Cobb / The interlining was made  
Elsey Sharp before signed.

Georgia, { Court of Ordinary December Term 1829.

Jones County, this day came and appeared before me Elsey Sharp and Jacob Cobb who being duly sworn saith - that they were present and saw John Dickson sign and execute the foregoing to be and contain his last will and testament, and that they were Subscribing Witnesses together with John Sharp and that they signed the same in the presence of each other, and that John Dickson signs the same as his last will and testament, and that he was of sound disposing mind and memory of its execution.

Jacob Cobb

Subscribed this 17<sup>th</sup> December 1829. } Elsey Sharp