

Seal and acknowledge the within instrument of writing to be his  
Last will and testament and that himself was a subscribing  
witness thereto and that he saw Ridgeway Hogan and Henry Fea-  
gin subscribe their names thereto as witnesses and that they all  
assented the same at the special request of the Testator and in  
his presence and in the presence of each other and that the said  
testator was of sound and disposing mind at the time of its  
execution.

I now swear and subscribe in open } S. Feagin  
court this 5<sup>th</sup> March 1832. }

Test. Charles McCarthy Elk. C. O.

Copy of John Kirk Will.

In the name of God amen. I John Kirk of the County of  
Jones and State of Georgia of sound mind and memory do  
constitute and ordain this my last will and Testament first  
I commit my soul to God who gave it relying on the atone-  
ment of Christ for its eternal salvation and my body to  
the grave to be decently interred at the discretion of my execu-  
tors as touching my temporal affairs it is my will that they  
be disposed of in the following manner (to wit) first It is  
my will that the following negroes (to wit) Dennis, Charity, Ab-  
benders, Anchay, Harris, Willis and Wiley be sold and the pro-  
ceeds thereof be appropriated to the payment of my just debts  
and should there be a surplus left it is my will that my  
mother Anna Kirk have the use of it during her life and then  
to be equally divided between my Brothers and Sisters Sec-  
ondly I bequeath to my beloved Brother Len Kirk one hun-  
dred acres of land known as the McGaugh Place. Thirdly  
I bequeath to my beloved wife Lucy E. Kirk the whole residue  
of my estate both real and personal to be used and enjoy-  
ed and disposed of at her will and pleasure and that Lucy E.  
Kirk and William Kirk be my Executrix and Executor to car-  
ry this my last will and testament into effect. In witness  
whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal  
this 3<sup>rd</sup> October 1825.

John R. Crockett

John Harrison

Thomas Hunt

John Kirk L. S.

The heirs at law of John William Kirk deceased } for John J.  
Mr. William Freeman and his wife } for

Caveat and appeal from the Court of Ordinary Special Jury Sworn

1 Kitchen & Thivatt

7 Wiley B. Pope

2 Stephen Clover

8 Davis Stocumb

3 Thomas G. Jordan

9 Raleigh Spurlock

4 Richard Blount

10 Horatio Bowen

5 Pleasant Philips

11 Joseph E. Tyler

6 Abram Card

12 Charles Womans

We the Jury establish this as a copy of the original will of John Kirk deceased and admit it to probate.

The heirs at law of John William P. Philips Foreman,

Kirk by their next friend Sally

Calanee, William Kirk Willis

Hunt and Lur Kirk appellants

vs.

William Freeman and his wife Lucy C. Freeman formerly the widow of John Kirk deceased

This case having been submitted to a Special Jury at this term and by their verdict, they find the copy of the Original will of John Kirk deceased should be established and admitted to probate.

It is therefore ordered and adjudged in a decree, that the decision of the Court of Ordinary below be and the same is hereby confirmed, and that the copy of John Kirk's will on file in that Court at the time of the above appeal was entered, be recorded in said Court of Ordinary in lieu of the Original will of John Kirk deceased known to be destroyed and said copy be considered as established according to Law and it is further adjudged that the Clerk of the Court certify the proceedings in this Court with said established Will to the Court of Ordinary for their consideration, and it is further also adjudged and considered that the Proounder of the will of John Kirk deceased responsible, recover of the appellant the sum of \$ for costs in this case laid out and expended, and said appellant be in mercy &c

J. Smith

A true copy taken from the minutes of Court February 9<sup>th</sup> 1831

Robert W. Goodman D.Clerk

Nathaniel Mathis Will

I am in the name of God Amen.

I Nathaniel Mathis of the State and County aforesaid do make and confess my mind and memory but