

Georgia } Court of ordinary May term 1815—
 Jones County } This day came Franky Bowers one of the witnesses
 to the foregoing will who being duly sworn saith that she saw
 the testator John Adkerson sign and execute this instrument as
 his last will and testament and acknowledged it therefore that
 she and Jack Kilburn and Betsey Ann Coffey subscribed the same
 as witnesses in his presence and by his request and in the pres-
 ence of each other & that the said John Adkerson was at the
 time of the execution thereof in sound mind and memory sworn
 to and subscribed in open Court this 1st May 1815

C. Carter Clk.

^{her}
 Franky + Bowers
 (mark)

(Joseph E Taylor's Will)

In the name of God amen I Joseph E. Taylor of Jones County
 and State of Georgia being in a low state of health but
 sound of mind and memory Calling to mind the mortality
 of the body do make this my last will and testament. 1st I
 give my body to the dust & my soul to God who gave it 2^d
 that my funeral expense be paid with all my just debts
 to be paid. 3^d I give and bequeath to my beloved son George
 E. Taylor that part of my land lying on the east side of
 Spring branch. 4th I give and bequeath to my beloved wife
 Sally Taylor the other part during her widowhood and at her
 death or marriage to return to my son George E. Taylor.
 5th To my beloved daughters Henny Cassiter & Sally Perdue
 I give and bequeath one bed and furniture. 6th My will & de-
 sire is that my wife Sally Taylor keep all my property in
 her own hands without interruption during her widow-
 hood and at her death or marriage my will is that the
 whole of my property be equally divided among my six
 children (viz) Nancy Polly Lacey Henny Cassiter Sally Perdue
 Rachel Thomas & George E. Taylor this I do of my own free
 will Revoking all other wills by me made signed sealed in
 presents this 15th December 1815

Dimpsey Willis }
 Jeremiah Baker }
 Harris Gresham }

Joseph E. Taylor
 I do hereby appoint Mark George E. Tay-
 lor

lor & Mathew Cassiter Executors this my last will and
 Testament

Georgia } personally appeared before us Jeremiah Baker
Jones County } and Demeij Willis being duly sworn de-
poneth and saith that they saw the within named Jo-
seph C. Taylor make his mark and acknowledge the
same to be his hand and seal to this instrument of writ-
ing and at the same time of his so doing he was of
sound and disposing mind and memory being then
in his presence as well as the other sub-
scribing witness at his request we all become wit-
ness to the same. Sworn and subscribed to this first
day January 1816.

Robt Cunningham J. D. C.

Jeremiah Baker

Leptemus Weatherby, J. D. C.

Demeij Willis

J. W. Ray J. D. C.

(Goven Gordon's Hall)

In the name of God Amen, I Goven Gordon of the County of
Jones Georgia being in perfect health of body and of per-
fect mind and memory thanks be given unto God int-
riming the mortality of my body and knowing it is ap-
pointed for all men once to die do make and ordain this
my last will and testament that is to say principally and
first of all, I give and recommend my soul unto the
hands of Almighty God that gave it and my body I recom-
mend to the earth to be buried in ^{decent} Christian burial at the
discretion of my Executors nothing doubting but at the
general resurrection I shall receive the same again by
the mighty power of God. And as touching such world-
ly Estate where with it hath pleased God to bless me in
this life I give devise and dispose of the same the follow-
ing manner and form, first of all my debts to be paid
Then I give and bequeath to my dearly beloved wife
Nora every thing I possess in the world during her life
or widowhood except at my death I give and bequeath to
my youngest son James one half of my lands also one
horse saddle and bridle and one feather bed and furni-
ture likewise to George another one horse saddle and bri-
dle and after her death or widowhood I give and be-
queath to my youngest son James all the rest of my
lands and houses together with my part of the distil-
lery and all the rest of my property to be equally di-