

Washington N. Dawson's Will

Jones County, Georgia Wills

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Jones County } I know all men by these presents that I Wash-
ington N. Dawson being in sound mind and knowing the
uncertainty of this mortal life do make this my last will and
Testament. To Miss Martha F. Breedlove I will and bequeath
for a negro man 50 years old, Rose, a woman 35 years old,
Pomp, a boy 18 years old, Poly a Girl 14 years old, Linder a Girl
12 years old, Mary 10 years old ^{survive a girl 4 years old early in year and} Rachel 6 years old, all of which
I will and bequeath to her and if she should die without bod-
ily issue I will and bequeath the above named property to John
W. Dawson, and in case J. W. Dawson should die before Miss
M. F. Breedlove, to be her and dispose as she may think best,
and I further will and bequeath that if Miss M. F. Breedlove
should become married that she alone has the right to dispose
of said willed property and her alone to will and bequeath at her
death to whomsoever she may please provided it does not in-
terfere with none of the above particulars specified. Secondly-
I will and bequeath to be sold at my death all the personal
property consisting of Horses, Cattle &c likewise one hundred one
a quarter acres of land joining Mitchell Wagner and others
for the purpose of paying my debts and I likewise will and
bequeath to John W. Dawson a negro boy named Harrison
seven or eight years old to be delivered to him by my here-
after named executor when he becomes 21 years of age.
I do further appoint Nathan Breedlove of the county of Jones
the lawfull Executor of my Estate and to act according to
the tenor of the above instrument of writing for it is my
last will and the above named negroes be kept together and are
not to be divided by selling or any other manner until John
W. Dawson becomes of lawfull age previous to which time
all the proceeds arising from the use of the negroes if nec-
essary shall be expended giving him a graduate education
at F. F. F. or some other literary institution of equal fame
with his board and clothing two years at Fitchfield or
some other law school then a horse bridle and saddle with
250 dollars together with 250 dollars of money which is
to come from the increase of said negroes or any other mon-
ey arising from said estate. Therefore if by the death of my above
Executor or from the marriage of M. F. Breedlove or
from any other cause arising from the Executor from his agents

or attorneys administrators Executors or any other person that John W. Dawson is presented the means and power of accomplishing all the above expressed wishes ^{part} of the within will to be null and void. If under any circumstances my executor or his daughter refuse to comply on her part I do most solemnly make this ^{will} null and void and will all the property named to M. & Breedlove to my beloved nephew John W. Dawson and leave him to the laws of my country to appoint a guardian.

Signed sealed and believed in the presence of

Lewis P. Breedlove

Thomas J. West

To M. & Breedlove

W. H. Dawson

Georgia. Brethrenly came into open court Lewis P. Breedlove and Thomas J. West who being duly sworn depose that they saw the within named Washington W. Dawson sign and publish the within instrument as his will and then and there that they signed the same. The witnesses who saw D. Mc Donald subscribe his name as a witness to the same also in presence of the testator and in the presence of each other.

Sworn to in open court this

5th day of November 1827.

Test Charles McCauley C.C.D.

Lewis P. Breedlove

Thomas J. West

Robert Jordans Will

In the name of God Amen, I Robert Jordan of South Carolina Sumter district planter being weak of body but of a sound mind and memory and calling to mind the mortality of the body - and knowing it is ordained for all men once to die do nominate and constitute this my last will and testament (Viz) First I give my soul unto God that gave it and my body to be buried at the discretion of my executors hereafter mentioned and as touching my worldly property that it hath pleased God to bless me with, I give and dispose of in the following manner and from hereafter mention first it is I lend to my daughter Mary, one negro girl named Balah and five head of cattle one mare and one feather bed and furniture and the increase during her life time and if she dies without a lawful issue the property to return to the nearest heir in the family and if