

I Joseph Blackshear of the County of Laurens in the
State of Georgia being in good health and of sound
and disposing mind but knowing that is appointed
for man once to die do make this my last Will
and Testament. To wit-

My will and desire is that should my wife be
delivered of a child in my life time or should prove
Pregnant at the time of my death and be delivered
of a child and it should live to many or arrive
to the age of twenty one years that such child shall
inherit two thirds of my estate both real and perso-
nal and that my beloved Wife Winifred Haynes
Blackshear shall inherit the other ~~two~~ third part
of my estate the same to them severally and their
heirs for ever provided however that it is my Will
in case I should have no lawfull issue as above
by my wife to dispose of my Estate in the manner
following - Namely I give devise and bequeath
to my beloved wife Winifred N. Blackshear - im-
mediately after my decease or so soon as the
crop if one growing can be gathered in the Land
and plantation where we now live with all my
lands adjoining thereto also one hundred acres more
land I purchased of Barry Melton adjoining ~~Barry~~
Whitehead's land also the following Negroes To wit
Cesar Man and her two children Collin and Mike
Jupiter Pitter and her three children Ellis Pender
and the other not recollecting Sarah Phibe and her
three children Jordan Phibe and Emily Flora Man-
keter of Flora Hager and her two children Ellen
and the other not recollecting yellow Daniel Hager
Dick Buck Hercules and Bon and their issue
all my share in the same one half

of the State of Georgia and Laurens County being through
the abundant mercy and goodness of God through means
in body yet of a sound and perfect understanding
and memory do constitute this my last will and
Testament and desire it may be received by all as
such. I most humbly bequeath my soul to God my
Maker and my body to the earth from whence it
was taken. As to my worldly estate I will and
order that all my debts be paid. I give to my
dear and loving wife Elizabeth Allen all my
estate both real and personal during her widow
hood or lifetime to dispose of as she and the
Executor hereinafter named may think most
advantageous to the estate And I do constitute
and appoint my Brother Eason Allen Executor
to this my last will and Testament in witness
whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal
this 3 day of September in the year of our Lord
1818 Bryan Allen

John Howland
Stephen Wolf
Thos Spright S.P.

Georgia Court of Ordinary May Term 1830
Laurens County, Stephen Wolf came into open Court and
being duly sworn saith he saw Bryan Allen sign seal
publish & pronounce the within instrument as his last
will and Testament and that he was of sound & disposing
mind at the time and that he signed the same as
a witness and saw John Howland and Thomas
Spright do so. Attest
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