

Will of Riddley Sneed, Deceased,

In the name of God, Amen, —

I, Riddley Sneed, of this State and County, aforesaid, being of sound and disposing mind and memory, do make this my Last Will & Testament,

- Item 1<sup>st</sup> = I desire my Body be duly and decently buried, —
- 2<sup>nd</sup> = I desire and order all my just debts to be paid as soon as my Executor can conveniently do so,
- 3<sup>rd</sup> = I give and bequeath to my adopted Son John Needham Massey, the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100<sup>00</sup>) and I also give and bequeath to Miss Lucinda Haynes One Thousand Dollars, and my Executor is hereby ordered to pay said legacies as soon after my death as he conveniently can, and the said Legacies are in fee simple, —
- 4<sup>th</sup> = After paying the foregoing debts and Legacies I give and bequeath all the balance of my property Real and Personal to my beloved wife Anna Lee County Wills Sneed to have, hold and enjoy the same during her life, —
- 5<sup>th</sup> = After the death of my wife Anna Lee Sneed, I desire that all of the said property (except the above Legacies of One Hundred and One Thousand Dollars,) shall be equally divided between Garnett A. Sneed and James Benton Cook, to be owned, held and enjoyed by each of them during their natural lives, and after the death of either the said Garnett A. Sneed or James Benton Cook, his wife and children shall take and receive his share to be equally divided between them in fee simple, and in case either of them shall die without wife or children, his share shall be equally divided between the wife & children of the other, in fee simple, and in case both of them die leaving no wife or no children, the said property shall be equally divided between the Grand-Children of Samuel H. Sneed, —
- 6<sup>th</sup> = I appoint Jesse Cook my Executor with full power to collect and pay my debts, —

Will of Dudley Sneed, Deceased. Continued.

Will, and I desire that no Bond and Security shall be required of him. — In testimony whereof I hereby subscribe my name to this my Last Will and Testament, this August 4<sup>th</sup> 1863, & in presence of the undersigned witnesses who sign as witnesses in my presence, and at my request. —

Dudley Sneed,

We the undersigned witnesses do hereby sign this Will by the request of the Testator, and in his presence, and of each other, the Testator signed the Will in our presence. — F. M. Buford,

J. A. Brown,

B. R. Rivers,

Court of Ordinary Lee County.

September Term 1863,

In open Court came James A. Brown, and Braxton R. Rivers, Subscribing Witnesses to an original paper produced by Hesse back the Testator, purporting to be the Last Will and Testament of Dudley Sneed, deceased, who being sworn, say that they, saw the said Dudley Sneed, sign, seal and publish said paper on the day of its date, as his Last Will and Testament, that he dictated the same, in the presence of said subscribing witnesses, and each subscribing witness signed the same in the presence of Testator and each other by his direction, the deponents further say that at the time, the said Dudley Sneed, was of sound mind and disposing memory and well comprehended what he was doing. Sworn to in open Court, this 21<sup>st</sup> September 1863. —

James R. Gilbert,

Ordinary Lee County,

Order for Record. —

Upon the above proof being made, it is ordered that the said paper produced be admitted to Record, as the Last Will and Testament of

J. A. Brown,  
B. R. Rivers

Will of Dudley Sneed, Decd., cont'd.

Dudley Sneed, deceased, and that Letters Testamentary do issue to said Jesse Cook, the Executor thereof, he taking the oath prescribed by Law. And it is further ordered that Charles M. Irvin, William A. Jones, C. L. Bluford, Jacob W. Sessions, & Lindsey H. Danner, be appointed appraisers for said Estate.

James R. Gilbert,

Petty Officer Lee County

Received Sept. 21<sup>st</sup> 1863. James R. Gilbert, Notary

The Will of Benjamin Ramsey, deceased,  
State of Georgia, B. J. Benjamin Ramsey of said State & County,  
Lee County, being feeble in body, but of sound and  
disposing mind and memory, do make pub-  
lish and declare this my Last Will & Testament,  
hereby revoking all other heretofore made by me,

Item 1<sup>st</sup>. I give and bequeath to my daughter Mrs.  
Penelope Cleland and Mrs. Martha Freeman,  
Lot of Land Number One Hundred & Forty three,  
(143) in the Second District (2) of said County,  
to be equally partitioned off, and the half  
falling to each I give and bequeath to them  
for and during their natural lives, and at their  
death to such Child or Children as they may  
leave living at their death, and in no  
event to be subject to their debts, and Contracts  
or Liabilities, or to the debts, Contracts or Liabilities of  
any husband they may have. —

Item 2<sup>nd</sup>. I give and bequeath to my Son Harry K. Ramsey, Lot of Land Number One Hundred  
Forty Seven (147) in the Second District (2<sup>nd</sup>)  
of said County, together with all the improve-  
ments on the same, and negro boy Eliot,  
about Eleven years old, to have and to hold  
them during his natural life, and at his  
death to such Child or Children as he may  
leave living at his death, or may be born  
within the usual period of gestation, after

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