

Will of Solomon Page. - Probate re.

Georgia,
Lee County

Do the Ordinary, of said County, -
The petition of George M. Page, respectfully
shows that Solomon Page of said County died on
the 30th of July 1880, leaving a Will; that petitioner
is named and appointed in said Will Executor
of the same, and Testamentary Guardian of the
minor children of said Solomon Page, viz: Eula P.
Page and Silas M. Page. Wherefore petitioner
prays he may be permitted to bring forward &
probate said Will in Common Form, and that
Letter Testamentary and of Guardianship be granted
him, in conformity with the Law: -

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H. J. Masson, Petitioner, Atty.
Court of Ordinary August Term 1880,
William Barnes, being sworn says that he saw
Solomon Page, sign seal, declare and publish the
paper now here with presented as his Last Will
and Testament in presence of the subscribing
Witnesses, who subscribed the same in the presence
of each other, and of said Petitioner, and at his
special instance and request, and that the same
as he believes is the Last Will and Testament
of said Solomon Page, and that the said Solomon
Page was of sound and disposing mind and
memory when the same was executed,
Sworn to and subscribed in open
Court August 16th 1880.
J. H. Batty, Ordinary.

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Court of Ordinary August Term 1880,
The Last Will and Testament of Solomon Page,
having been proven in open Court, by the oath
of William Barnes, one of the subscribing
Witnesses, and George M. Page, the Executor of
said Will, and Testamentary Guardian, of the
minor children therein named, being taken
and subscribed the oath required by Law. It is
ordered that said Will be admitted to probate
and proved, and that Letter Testamentary

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Letters of Guardianship of the minor children of said Solomon Page, viz: Gula and Silas, be granted to said George M. Page, and that Mrs. C. Gill, Mrs. B. Paul, J. S. Dear, John Hines and J. A. Halden, be and they are hereby appointed appraisers of said Estate, with authority to discharge the duties enjoined by said Will, as well as those required by the Statute, —

J. W. Battle,
Ordinary

< = Will = >

Lee County, Georgia. I, J. Solomon Page being of sound and disposing mind and memory, and well knowing the uncertainty of human life, do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all actions heretofore made by me, —

Item 1st It is my Will that my Body be buried in a decent and Christian-like manner, and all my just debts be paid —

Item 2nd I give and bequeath to my wife Mary E. D. Page, Lot of land Number One Hundred & Twenty Nine (129) in the First District of said County of Lee, to be hers absolutely; I also give and bequeath to my said wife for and during the term of her life, one-half interest in the land and place in said County known as the "Home-Place", and also a half interest in the stock, farming utensils, and all other property belonging to said place; the lands thus bequeathed consists of Number One Hundred & Twelve (112) One Hundred & thirteen (113) South-Half of one hundred & fourteen (114) all in the fourteenth District of Lee County, and Numbers one hundred and twenty-seven (127) North Half of One Hundred and Twenty-eight (128) and one hundred and twenty-nine (129) all in the First District of said County; At the death of my said wife the half interest above conveyed, to belong to and be the property of my said wife Page, accepting the

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Said number one hundred & twenty miles above specified which she is at liberty to dispose of as she wishes. The Stock now on said place is not to be considered as conveyed by this Item but all the stock on my three places to be divided into four shares, giving to the Home-place, two shares, and to Irwin & Huddell places each a fourth share of all my stock, and said share of stock so donated is to be the criterion for deciding the share of stock belonging to each place in construing this Will.

Item 3rd

I give and bequeath to my Son Morgan Page, all that body of Land in said County, known as the Huddell place, together with all the stock, farming utensils and other property belonging to said place. Said Land thus conveyed consists of Lots 2nd & 3rd, One Hundred and Nine (109) North half of number one hundred and Ten (110) One Hundred and Eleven (111), West half of One Hundred and Forty Two (142), all in the Fourteenth District of said County. This property is devised subject to the conditions set forth herein after. —

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Item 4th

I Will and bequeath to my Daughter Eula Page, one Mare Colt named Betty; I also give & bequeath to my Daughter Eula Page, all that body of Land, Numbers not remembered, but known as the Irwin place, in said County, the Land of which are numbered and embraced in the Deed from G. M. Stotes to O. M., and I also give and bequeath to her all the stock, Farming utensils, and other property belonging to said place, subject to this Condition. Appraisers appointed by the ordinary, are to decide the relative value of the Huddell & Irwin places and my said daughter or Son, according as the appraisement requires is to pay the other such an amount as will equalize the bequests given to each.

Item 5th

I Will & Bequeath to my Son Silas Page, the sum of Thousand Dollars, Insurance money which will be due at my death, on the Policy in my name. Said money to be invested in ...

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and none of the amount drawn out during his minority, excepting such portions of the interest as shall be necessary to the support, maintenance & Education of said Silas, I further give to said Silas over his distributive share, three cows and calves to be selected by him from among my cows & calves. I also give and bequeath to my son Silas one-half of all the Cattle, Stock, utensils & other property belonging to the Home-places the other half to be his at the death of his mother, and should the Insurance money already devised fail to be recovered, It is my Will that an Appraisement of all the property herein devised by me be held, and that such an amount be given to my son Silas, over and above the share belonging to the other Legatee as will pay for his Maintenance, Education, & other expenses during his minority.

Item 6th:-

I Will ^{See County Wills} ¹⁸⁵⁴⁻¹⁸⁹¹ ^{www.georgiapioneers.com} that all my property herein devised be held, and received subject to the following reservations and restrictions: If any of my said children, Morgan, Eula, or Silas, shall depart this life without leaving heirs of their body, that the property herein bequeathed to such heir or heirs, revert to and be divided between my Legatee as before named, who may be in life, to-wit: my wife and the surviving children above mentioned.

Item 7th:-

I hereby appoint & constitute my wife Mary E. Page, & my son Morgan Page, Executors of this my Last Will and Testament, and Guardians of my minor children Eula & Silas Page, - In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affix my signature & seal, this October Twenty-third 1878, -- Sol. Page. PS

The above and foregoing Will is comprised in pages numbers, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6, is and has been signed, sealed, declared and published by Solomon Page, as his Last Will and Testament in the presence of us the undersigned.

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which subscribed the same in the presence of each other and of the said Solomon Page, and at his instance and request: Oct. 23rd 1878,

K. J. Warren
James Carter,
William W. Barnes,

(=Codicil, =)

In addition to, and as a Codicil to my Last Will and Testament, signed and subscribed on the 23rd day of October 1878. I further Will and bequeath that all the property now owned by me, or which will be owned by me at the time of my death, and which is not embraced in my said Will, shall be equally divided into four shares, and given to my wife and children equally, to be appraised, valued and divided as directed in Item 4th of my said Will, and the same to be so distributed under the Rules and Restrictions set forth in said Will. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my signature and seal, this December 5th 1879,

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Solomon Page, (L.S.)

The above & foregoing Codicil has been signed, sealed, declared and published by Solomon Page, as a Codicil to his Last Will & Testament in the presence of us, the subscribing Witnesses who subscribed the same in the presence of each other and of the said Solomon Page, at his instance and request. The word "Item", interlined on 6th line from the bottom.

December 5th 1879, — K. J. Warren,
W. W. Barnes,
James Morgan,

Recorded August 17th 1880,
James Morgan, Clerk
Ordinary, Lee Co., Ga.