

Will of Wm B. Richardson,

State of Georgia, I In the name of God, Amen,
County of Lee, Knowing the uncertainty of life and
the certainty of death, I, William B.
Richardson, of said State and County, being of
sound and disposing mind and memory, being
desirous of settling my worldly possessions, while
I have mind and strength so to do, do make
ordain and publish this my Last Will and
Testament, thereby revoking all Wills here-to-
fore made.

Item 1st. I will and bequeath that my Body have decent
and Christian-like Burial, and my Soul to my
God who gave it, as I hope through the atoning
Blood of the Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. —

2nd. I will that my Executors pay all my honest
debts, as soon as conveniently after my decease. —

3^{-rd}. I further will and desire that all of my Estate
both Real and ~~Personal~~ ^{Lee County Wills}, be kept together for
the support of my wife and young children.

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till the youngest Child becomes of age, and
the annual profits be applied to their support
or so much thereof as is necessary, and that
at the majority or marriage of my youngest
child; it is my Will that the whole property
be sold, and the proceeds be divided equally
among my children or representatives of
children and my wife. —

4th. I further Will and bequeath that when my
children come of age or marry, they shall
receive the sum of Two Thousand Dollars
each, except such Child as may have re-
ceived that amount as a gift from me
before my death, Said Two Thousand Dollars,
to be for his or her own use and benefit, —
either in money or property, as may be
agreed on by him or her, and my Executors,
~~may add~~ ^{Richardson having} ~~in case he~~ ^{in case he}
Two Thousand Dollars, the other two, are
my wife, my son or Richardson

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Saughter Mary L. Evans, Leah Jones Richardson,
My Sons William Henry Richardson, Lucius Lee
Richardson, and my daughter Florence Richardson,
then they are to draw a share of Two Thousand
Dollars before the residue of my Estate is sold.
then they with my son Richard J. are to have
an equal share of the remainder including
my wife - - 5th It is my further will and
desire that whenever in the discretion of my
Executor the Plantations do not pay to me
them, they are allowed to dispose of the Stock
on the place, and all personal property, either
at public or private sale, and to lease or
Rent the lands for one or more years as they
may think best for the Estate.

6th - I further Will and desire that my beloved
wife Mary Ann E. Richardson, my son
Richard J. ^{Lee County Wills}
1854-1891 and Son-in-Law L.
D. Evans, be and are hereby appointed and
constituted my true and Lawful Executors and
Administrators to carry out the bequests of this will.
In testimony whereof, I the said William B.
Richardson have hereunto set my hand & affixed
my seal, this the 13th day of April 1873.

Wm. B. Richardson. (L.S.)

Signed, Sealed and declared by the above named
William B. Richardson, as his last will and
testament, in presence of us, who at his
request, in his presence, and in the presence
of each other have subscribed our names as
Witnesses thereto, - J. G. D. Stanford, ^(L.S.) Lee Co., Ga.
J. M. Atkins, ^(L.S.) " " "

Geo. H. Warwick, ^(L.S.) " " "

Lee Court of Ordinary.

June Term 1873.

Whereas Richard J. Richardson, L. D. Evans,
Elizabeth Richardson have presented to this
Court a paper purporting to be the last will
and testament of Wm. B. Richardson.

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said County, deceased, and further sheweth that the said W^m B. Richardson, departed this life testate on the 24th day of May 1873, in said County; and whereas the said will purports to have been made on the 13th day of April 1873, and witnessed by Jas. H. Atkins, J. G. D. Stanford, and A. W. Warwick, and whereas the said propounder's health introduced A. W. Warwick, one of said witnesses, when being duly sworn, says that he saw W^m B. Richardson, on the day and year aforesaid, sign, seal and declare said paper to be his Last Will and Testament, in the presence of the witnesses, who all signed the same as witnesses at his request and in the presence of each other; therefore, Be it ordered by the Court that the said Last Will and Testament, of W^m. B. Richardson be and the Lee County Wills ¹⁸⁵⁴⁻¹⁸⁹¹ hereby probated in this Court in ~~Commons~~^{www.georgia-pioneers.com} Town of LaGrange, and it is further ordered that the said Richard J. Richardson, L. D. Evans, and Elizabeth Richardson, be and are hereby confirmed as Executrix and Executrix of the Last Will and Testament, they having taken oath in terms of the Law, witness my hand & affix my seal of Office June 16th 1873.

E. W. Watson, Ordinary.

Georgia
Lee County We do solemnly swear that this writing contains the Last Will of the said W^m B. Richardson deceased, so far as we know or believe, and that we will well and truly execute the same in accordance with the Laws of this State. So Help us God.
Signed to and Subscribed before me, June 16th, 1873, L. D. Evans,
E. W. Watson, Elizabeth Richardson

Ordinary,