

State of Georgia
Liberty county

Being warned by almighty God of
approaching dissolution from frequent bleeding at my stomach
being perfectly collected I have thought fit to make this my
last will & testament to wit I give and bequeath unto my sister
Susanna Girardeau the upper or southwestwardly part of Cedar
grove tract a line to divide the same to begin at the second angle
of the canal dam) leaving the little swamp as designated on the
plat in the lower or Northeastwardly part) and running East
until it intersects the division line between the tract now called
Baillies and Cedar grove. I also give and bequeath unto her
two negroes by name Cassius & Lizzy with seven cows & calves and the
sow & mare called Celipso with all their increase to her and her heirs
forever —

It is my will that two thirds of the undivided tract of land near
Sunderby held by me commonly known by the Distillery land and
called by me Rush brook be divided into three equal parts as
soon as may be convenient and that my affectionate wife Eliz:
abeth Mary Ann Girardeau to have choice of one of such Divis:
ions together with the Northeastwardly part of Cedar grove tract
with all my remaining negroes and stock of horses and cattle & sheep
hogs &c to her and her heirs forever, except old Frank who is to
be set free on the day of her marriage and give him his tools
with a cow and calf. — The other two divisions of Rush brook
to be decided by lot between my two sisters one of them to be:
long to my sister Susannah and the other to my sister Eliza:
beth Mary Ann together with the first lot I bought from Pomery
to them & their heirs forever — And I do hereby appoint my
brother in law Andrew Maybank or his attorney to settle all
my debts and lift all my mortgages, and after the mortgage of
the property I have with John Couper is lifted it shall be dispo:
sed of in the following manner to wit Tom Samy Abram
Solomon Jain and old Florah be the property of my sister Eliza:
beth Maybank and her heirs forever, and that David
Paul Sariah Sarry and Rose be the property of my sister Sus:
anna and her heirs forever, and that Harry Nancy July Fernal
Clarra Alphonso and a young child of Nancy's together with
their labor & issue be the property of Doctor Jain & I do appoint
my children Amanda & Mary Ann Girardeau

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and to the survivor in the case of the death of either before
their attaining the age of twenty one years, but if both should
die then and in that case all such property together with their
increase I give and bequeath to my two sisters Elizabeth
Maybank and Susanna Girardeau to be equally divided between
them share and share alike, but if both or either of the children
should leave lawful issue before they attain to the age of
twenty one years in that case such issue to inherit the
property vested in the parent; and that my will should not
be so construed as to suffer their father or his heir or
heirs to inherit the said property or any part of it if the
children should die at any age, and I do hereby appoint
Andrew Maybank John Jones and Joseph Jones agents
to put that part of my will which respects the two child-
ren in force, and they have full power to take the proper-
ty out of the hands of Samuel Jacob Oxson whenever
a majority of them shall think proper, and if one of
them should die the remaining two shall appoint a third
so that the two children may always have three agents
and guardians; and it is my will that Mr Andrew
Maybank shall sell the following property for the
use benefit of the heirs, (subject to the same restric-
tions as herebefore mentioned) that I demand for
himself to have no share in any of my property
whatever in no case) viz the plantation called
pinchgut bought of Stephen Williams one million
and acres of land on the Desert, one thousand acres
of land in Glynn county known by the name of
Doctors Town and an Island in the Altamaha
river containing two hundred and fifty acres. In
testimony of all which I the said John B. G.

arideau have hereunto set my hand & affixed my seal
this sixth day of November in the year of our LORD one
thousand eight hundred & twenty fifth year of American
Independence, Revoking all former wills, testaments,
legacies & bequests by me heretofore made; Ratifying
and confirming this, and no other, to be my last
will and testament

Signed sealed, published, pronounced and declared
before us by the testator, who in our presence & in
the presence of each other have subscribed our names
as witnesses thereto the day and year above last written

John Bohun Girardeau. (S)

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