

GEORGE A }

Liberty county } In the name of God amen, I Joseph
Stevens of sd county planter being in a weak & low condition
but of perfect mind & memory thanks be given unto God, I
calling to mind the anortality of my body do make & ordain
this my last will & Testament in manner & form following
Viz I will that my body be buried in a plain decent Christian
manner at the discretion of my executors

Item I give & bequeath to my well beloved wife Mary, one half
of all my Estate Real & personal to her & her heirs forever
and this I give in lieu of her dower

Item I give & bequeath to my sister Rebecca Girardeau &
my nephew Joseph Stevens Baker the remaining half
of all my Estate both Real & personal to be divided equally
between them as they shall come of age or married to them
and their heirs forever

Item I having delivered a girl named Jean to my beloved
mother, I give said girl to my uncle Thomas Stevens
and my Exor in trust for her & her heirs forever not
considering her as any part of my Estate as above

Item I nominate, constitute & appoint my worthy friends
Peter Winn, Joseph Quarterman, Samuel Spencer
and Thomas Stevens the younger to be executors of this
my last will & Testament; and it is my will that no
division of my Estate be made till all my debts be
paid, and I do hereby renounce all other wills & ratify
& confirm this as my last will & testament, In witness
whereof I do here by set my hand & seal this twenty fifth
day of March one thousand eight hundred and the
twenty fourth year of American Independence
Signed sealed & delivered by the within named }
Joseph Stevens as his last will and Testa } Joseph Stevens O
ment in presence of

NTB. That before signing the Testator further gave to his beloved
wife Mary her riding chair & one horse at her choice and

and God amen, I Joseph
in a weak & low condition
wishes to be given unto God, I
my body do make & ordain
in manner & form following
in a plain decent Christian
executors
beloved wife Mary, one half
all to her & her heirs forever
Thomas
sister Rebecca Girardeau &
Baker the remaining half
personal to be divided equally
one of age or married to them
named Jean to my beloved
my uncle Thomas Stevens
her & her heirs forever not
of my Estate as above
appoint my worthy friends
man, Samuel Spencer
to be executors of this
and it is my will that no
till all my just debts be
all other wills & ratify
will & testament, In witness
my hand & seal this twenty fifth
eight hundred and the
American Independence
the within named } Joseph Stevens
will and Testa }
do further give to his beloved
one horse at her choice and

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this in addition to what was given her above

Thomas Stevens Senior
Liberty Holmes

John Shepherd

I the above named Joseph Stevens continuing in a weak & low
condition; but still of perfect mind & memory Thanks be given
given to the God of all Grace; do further make this codicil
to my last will & Testament & do hereby confirm as
part of the same. Item I give & bequeath to my well
beloved wife Mary in addition to what I have above
given her above, all my household furniture to her &
heirs forever, And it is my will that she shall live &
have the free & full use of the plantation on which
I now reside during her natural life - and last I nominate
my beloved wife Mary Executrix of this my last will

and testament in witness whereof I have hereunto

set my hand & seal this twenty ninth day of March
one thousand eight hundred

Joseph Stevens

Signed sealed & delivered in the

presence of

Liberty Holmes

Thomas Baker

John Shepherd

Georgia } Before me Josiah Stewart Deputy Clerk of
Liberty County } the Court of Ordinary for the said county. Do
appear Liberty Holmes, one of the within named witnesses
to the within last will & testament of Joseph Stevens, a
white male person of the County of Liberty State of Georgia
who, being duly sworn, deposeth & saith that he was present
and did see the within named testator publish pronounce
and declare the same also the codicil annexed to be his last
will & testament and that he was sound mind to the
best of this Deponent's belief at the execution

thereof and that Thomas Baker and John Shepard
with this Deponent subscribed their names as wit-
nesses to in the presence of the said Testator and in the
presence of each other sworn before me this 3^d day of September
Jos. Stewart D.C.C. Ordg. L. C. Liberty

Georgia } Personally appeared the Court of Probate
Liberty County } Liberty Holmes, who being duly sworn
June 24th 1880 } and saith that he was present & saw the within
named testator sign & deliver the within Will & Codicil for
purposes therein mentioned and further that the said
testator was to the best of his knowledge & belief of sound
mind & memory at the execution thereof & that
Baker & John Shepard together with this Deponent
did subscribe their names as witnesses

In presence of
Thomas Stevens
Henry Wood
J. Elliott
Liberty Holmes

State of Georgia

In the name of GOD Amen, the
ninth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand
eight hundred and eight & nine and of the sovereign independence
of America the tenth, I John Lumbert of Liberty County &
aforesaid Planter, being infirm in body, but blessed be God
sound and disposing mind & memory, considering the uncertainty
of life, and the certainty of death, do therefore make and
this my last will and testament and hereby revoke and annul
all former and other wills and testaments by me at any