

Liberty County April 4th 1820
 In the name of God Amen I Alexander Martin, somewhat indisposed
 of body, but in the right and full exercise of my mind, considering the
 uncertainty of life, make the following as my last will and testament.
 I first commit my soul to God, from whom I received it, in hopes of
 pardon and salvation through Jesus Christ, the only Saviour of sinners.
 And my body I commit to the earth from which it was formed, in
 hopes of a happy resurrection.

I desire that all my debts be paid as soon as it may be conveni-
 ent, and in the manner that may appear least injurious to my prop-
 erty. Next, I give and bequeath to my affectionate and beloved
 wife one third part of all my property, together with all my bed-
 ding and household furniture, to have and to hold forever. This may be
 done in the following manner: My property, after the payment of my debts,
 is to be valued; and the third part of that valuation to be given to
 her, in such manner as that my two sons may have the land to them-
 selves, besides an equal portion of my remaining property with my two
 daughters: - Or, in other words, let my wife, whom I have always found
 kind and tender, have, in cattle, and negroes, and other stock in my prop-
 erty, the value of one third of my present clear property; and let
 my two sons my land equally divided between them, together with
 an equal share of my remaining property. As
 long as my dear wife continues single, she is to have the
 use of the house and lands, if she should desire them, for her own
 and the children's benefit; but upon second marriage, she relinquishes
 this right. - My desire is, that my children may receive as good an
 education as can be given them with the property, which I leave
 them; especially, that all possible care be taken of their moral
 and religious ~~education~~ instruction, that they may serve God and
 their generation as they ought. and further, I desire my relations al-
 ways to continue, as heretofore, their kindness and good offices to my dear
 wife. Lastly, I appoint William Martin and Angus Martin and
 Richard Baker, the executors of this my last will and testament.

I desire that all my daughters share alike in all my property to the above will.
 John Martin }
 Matthew Brown }
 James X Martin }
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Alex^r Martin

State of Georgia. Liberty County. John Martin, being duly sworn,

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deponent and oath, that he is a subscribing witness to the within last
will and testament of Alexander Martin deceased; that he saw it
duly executed by the within named testator; and ^{that} the said testator ap-
peared at the time to be in his perfect senses; and this deponent fur-
ther saith, that the within will was duly executed in the presence of
John Martin

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Sworn to before me this 18th
December 1822.

Saml. Kerville
Thos. Bacon
J. S. Bradwell
Thos. Mallard
Saml. Lewis

Recorded 9th January 1823.
E. Baker Clerk