

State of Georgia Lincoln County
In the Name of God Amen

I Richard Henry Stokes
Being Weak in body but in
perfect mind and memory and know-
ing it is appointed for all men to die do
Constitute and Appoint this My Last
Will and Testament

First I Give and Bequeath
unto My Loving Wife Mary Ellen
Caroline Stokes the Tract of Land on
Which I now Live With all its Appurte-
nances, Also all the stock of Horses Cattle
Sheep Hogs &c. and all My Household
furniture Wagon and Plantation
Utensils &c. &c. Also eight Negroes
Viz, Ross, Rachel, Green, George Joseph
Daniel, Charles, & Mahaley. Together
With their Increase To Have and have
Heirs forever -

Secondly I Give & Bequeath unto
My Two Beloved Sons Richard
Henry Stokes & John Craton Stokes
the Tract of Land I Rec^d from My
Father With all its Appurtenances
Also Sweeten Negroes Viz, Dick-
Ritter, Henry, Craton, Abraham, Jesse,
Samuel, Noah, Simon, Robin, Charity
Cobbles, Peter, Pat, Allen, Westley,
Harry & Wm. Together With their
Increase

Successor to him & their heirs forever & in
case either should die, before he becomes of
age the surviving Brother shall enjoy the
above property as Described -

Notifying and confirming this my
Last Will & Testament Rousing all
Others should any there be

I Also constitute & appoint
John Craton & Archibald Stokes my
Lawfull Executors Whom I Request to
see these my desires put in full Execu-
tion And I enjoin and Request of
them that they have my sons Given the
Good an Education to their capacity
is capable of Receiving -

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Sign'd with my own hand & Seal this
Sign'd in presence of us 26th of May 1812

Assessors Whaler	{	Richard Henry Stokes
Jacob Zellers		
Robert Ware, J, L,		

State of Georgia Personally appeared
Lincoln County } Before Thomas Murray
And John Parker Two of
the Justices of the Superior Court now
acting on Ordinary purposes Robert Ware
and Jacob Zellers & After being duly sworn
Said that they saw Richard Henry Stokes
sign seal & acknowledge the Within Instru-
ment of Writing to his Last Will and

And Testament And at the Time of his
Sording he Was of a sound disposing
Mind And Memory & Also Saw Sus-
annah Wharton Assign As a Wife
to the same, proven before Two of
the Justices of the Inferior Court
Now sitting on Ordinary purposes
this sixth day of July 1812

Test

Wm Harper C, C

Robert Ware

Jacob Zellars

sworn to before us
this 6th July 1812

Thos Minney J, J, C

John Parker J, J, C

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Examined by a full Court
November the 2^d 1812

Isaac Bushfield J, J, C