

Georgia } In the name of God Amen  
 Lincoln County } I Zachariah Spinks of the State and  
 County aforesaid being weak in body by reason of his  
 age but yet of a sound mind and perfect memory  
 for which I praise god for and knowing the certainty  
 of death and wishing to settle my worldly estate that  
 it has been pleased god to bless me with in My I wish  
 I do dispose with it in the following manner that is to say  
 first My will and desire is such that all my last debts  
 be paid out of my estate.

1<sup>st</sup> I do give and bequeath to my beloved wife Rhoda  
 Shires one Negro girl by the name of Lally and also  
 one half of that tract or parcel of lands Situated in  
 and myself purchased in So. of Swan Wilson in Bal-  
 -win County with one third of my stocks and houses  
 hold & the same furniture, My said wife having the  
 charge of beds & furniture to her and her heirs and assigns  
 forever - and Also the Negro woman that Mr.  
 John Cole found in my hands for money let him and  
 if the said Cole redems the said Negro woman by  
 name of Poff by paying up the redemption money  
 there and in that case the said wife one hundred and  
 fifty dollars to be raised out of my estate to be put  
 toge ther in order to enable my said wife to purchase  
 a Negro fellow or woman at her discretion for her  
 use during her widowhood or life and after her  
 death or decease then my will is that the said  
 Negro so purchased shall be equally divided between  
 my three children vizt. Rhoda Shires and Robert  
 Edmonson

2<sup>nd</sup> I do give and bequeath to my son Rhoda Shires  
 one third of all my stocks houses hold and kitchen  
 furniture to him and his heirs and assigns forever

4<sup>th</sup> I do give and bequeath unto my daughter Patience  
 Edmonson the four hundred & ninety acres of land  
 that she to me by the late land lottery in  
 Warren County and also one and last third of all my

Stock and house hold and kitchen furniture to her  
and her heirs and assigns forever

5<sup>th</sup> I do give and bequeath unto my grand son  
Zachariah Spires the son of Elizabeth Spires our  
Negro boy by the name of Man to him and to  
his heirs and assigns forever

6<sup>th</sup> I do give and bequeath unto my grand son  
Zachariah Edmondson the son of my daughter  
Patience Edmondson our Negro boy by the  
name of Jack to him and his heirs and assigns forever

7<sup>th</sup> I do appoint Rhoda Spires my beloved wife  
my Executrix and also my son George Spires  
and my son in law Thomas Edmondson my other  
executors of this my last will and testament and  
revoking all other wills by me made

In testimony whereof I the said Zachariah  
Spires hath set his hand and affixed his this  
twenty second day of April in the year of  
our Lord one thousand Eight hundred and  
six and in the thirtieth year of the American  
Independence

signed sealed and acknowledged  
before us the day and date

as above

Robert Walton J.D.C.

James Gouley

John Cole

Zachariah Spires

Made his mark

and set his seal as

has been proven in open  
court and acknowledged  
the same

William Harper C.D.

In the name of God Amen

I Moses Matthews of the State of Georgia and  
County of Lincoln being Weak of body but of sound  
Mind and perfect Memory and knowing the uncertainty  
of life and the certainty of death do constitute and  
appoint this my last will and testament in