

Will of Edward Stanton.

I, Edward Stanton, being of sound mind and memory, and being of the County of Lowndes, Georgia, do hereby certify that I have made, signed, sealed, and published this my last will and testament, hereby revoking all wills made by me before.

I wish, committing my soul to the God who gave it, and in whom I put my trust, I desire that my body shall be buried in a decent and Christian like manner, suitable to my circumstances in life.

I desire that my debts be paid out of my Estate by my Executor herein after named.

I give, bequeath and devise unto my beloved wife, Elizabeth, my home place or parts of lots of land numbered 244 and 305, 11th District of said County, with all the stock, vehicles, plantation implements, furniture and provisions of all kinds, and crop thereon, and also all household and kitchen furniture and bedding, (for) including my shop tools, for and during her natural life, or widowed life and at or after death or inter-marriage of my said wife Elizabeth, I desire that my Executor, first take of the residue of my Estate, sufficient to, and pay to my daughter Maria M. Lewis Samuel S. Mason, the daughter Matthew J. Lybie Jr. my son John N. daughter Baskley C. son, Niram B. and son Jesse C. Stanton, each one her and her share, or its equivalent value, fifteen dollars, having heretofore given all my other children a similar amount; but I direct my Executor further to pay to my sons aforesaid, Samuel S. Mason, the John N. Niram B. and Jesse C. Stanton, each a share in its equivalent value Seventy five dollars, and the remainder vested in said Estate property, I desire to go to my children, David B. Mary C. James C. Margaret C. William L. Thomas L. Mary D. William C. and Elizabeth E. Maria M. Samuel S. Mason, the daughter Matthew J. Baskley C. Niram B. and Jesse C. Stanton, share and share alike, my Executor first receiving his lawful commission fees before discharging as aforesaid.

I hereby constitute and appoint my Brother John L. Stanton Executor of this my last will and testament.
In testimony whereof, I have signed this my last will and testament.

Edward Stanton

Will of Edmund Stanton (Continued)

One thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy Eight
signed, sealed, published and acknowledged by the above named
Edmund Stanton as his last will and testament in presence
of us, who at his request in the presence of each other
have signed the our names as witnesses hereto.

J. J. Toward
W. H. Spotts

Edmund Stanton

W. R. Smith County Clerk
Lowndes County

I do solemnly swear that this writing contains the true
last will and testament of the within named Edmund
Stanton, so far as I know or believe, and that I will well
and truly execute the same in accordance with the laws
of this State, so help me God.

Given to the subscribers before me

John D. Stanton
Frederick B. B. B. B.
B. J. Stephens
(Ordinary)