

Court of Ordinary - June 18th 1861

The within and preceding last Will and Testament of Jesse Barfield late of said County deceased having been duly proven this day in Open Court upon the oath of the subscribing Witnesses, W. B. Duncan, J. H. Martin, and A. Baker Subscribing Witnesses thereto, It is Ordered that said Will be admitted to record in Common form of Law, and that the Executors Jesse B. Barfield and Owen Barfield have leave to qualify and upon so doing that better testamentary docket be said Executors.

In L. Parker
June 3. 1861. Ordinary

Will of Benjamin D. Childs

In the name of God, Amen:

I Benjamin D. Childs of the County of Macon State of Georgia, being of sound mind and memory, and considering the uncertainty of this frail and transitory life, do ~~therefore~~ make, ordain, publish and declare this to be my Last Will and Testament. That is to say, First, after all my lawful debts are paid and discharged, the residue of my estate real and personal, I give, bequeath and dispose of as follows to wit, to my beloved Wife Mary J. Childs govt by the name of Fanny, also 1107 acres of land lying in Johnson County Georgia and my buggy now possessed by me, during the term of her natural life and after her death to be divided equally among my heirs, also it is my wish that my home place together with all the appurtenances thereto, remain together with my negro property, my plantation to be kept up and all that is made on the place to go to the support of my Wife and Children to wit Eliza Linnah, and John Nathaniel and also if there should be ^{any} within Nine months from the date, also my children to be educated out of the remaining, and if there should be enough made above, for my Wife to have a Horse bought for her

all the net, residue and remainders of my real and personal estate to be divided between my children the time when they become of age. I have & I have etc., witness, I make, constitute and appoint my brother W. J. Childs and Joel A. Childs to be executors of this my last will and Testament hereby revoking all former wills by me made.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto ~~set my hand~~ subscribed my name and affixed my seal this the 30 day of August 1861.

B. D. Childs 

The above written instrument was subscribed by the said B. D. Childs, in our presence and acknowledged by him to each of us and he at the same time published and declared the above instrument to be his last will and testament, and we in his presence have signed our names as witnesses herunto, and written opposite our names our respective places of residence.

James Hartfield J. P. Macon County, Ga

Nathan Rowland, " "

Barton S. Johnson " "

Court of Ordinary, Macon County
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The within last will and testament of Benjamin D. Childs late of Macon County dec'd. having been propounded for probate, at this regular term of the Court, by W. J. Childs one of the executors therein named and having been duly proved in open Court upon the oaths of James Hartfield, Nathan Rowland, & Barton S. Johnson the subscribing witnesses thereto, It is ordered that the same be admitted to probate & record, and that letters testamentary issue in favor of the said W. J. Childs one of the executors therein named, the other executor, Joel Childs, stand being a minor and not now propounding said will for probate, nor applying for said letters testamentary.

J. L. Parker