

George & James Thompson are giving a
Madison County. I am an able portion of health and
being of sound mind and memory. Yet believing that
it is appointed to all men to die I do in the order
Constitution and against this my last will and
testament. In the first place I resign my soul
into the hands of God who gave it. I want my
body to be buried in a decent Christian burial
and as touching what worldly estate it hath pleased
God to bless me with I dispose of in the manner
following, to wit, all my just debts to be paid in
the first place In the second place - to my beloved
wife Sarah I leave the use of the following property
during her natural life, to wit, my negro boy
Joe old man and Bucky - the dwelling house
and ^{necessary} out houses also as much of the
land as she may need both cleared and wooded
land - whatever horses Cattle Sheep &c. she may
think necessary for tending the land and for her
support with a sufficiency of tools for carrying on
the farm &c. Also whatever she may call for
necessary for her use of the kitchen & household
furniture and grain and meat until another
Provision can be made with the perfect understanding
that she is to have her living as aforesaid during
her life and at her death to fall back and bear
a part of my said estate to be disposed of as
hereinafter directed in the third place I give
and bequeath to my daughter Mary the land
where she now lives containing one hundred
and ninety six acres be the same more or less at
the Negro girl named Leah which she has
now in possession and two thousand dollars in
Current bank bills one half to be paid
within twelve months and the other half within
two years after my decease without interest until
she applies for the same to my daughter Elizabeth
I give and bequeath three hundred and fifty
dollars in Current bank bills one half to be
paid within twelve months and the other
half within two years after my decease without

interest until she applies. Sixthly I give and bequeath
to my daughter Ann two hundred dollars in Current
bank bills one half to be paid within twelve months
and the other half within two years after my decease with-
out interest until she applies. Seventhly I give
and bequeath to my daughter Jane two hundred
dollars in Current bank bills one half to be
paid within twelve months and the other half
within two years after my decease without interest
until she applies. Eighthly I give and bequeath
to my son Grand Child the children of
my son Alexander living in Coweta County the
sum of five dollars each to be paid within
twelve months after my decease having been
first given to my said Alexander property and
paid off his debts which I consider his
equal proportion of my estate. Ninthly I give and
bequeath to my son James all my Estate both
real and personal together I may see proper as
as well as all the property left in the hands of my
beloved wife for her use during her natural
life which property being before deceased is to be
and become the property of my son James at the death
of my beloved wife Sarah my said son
James to pay and the legacies herein before de-
scribed by selling any of said property which I have here-
before given him either at public or private sale as he
may think most advantageous provided that he does
not interfere with any of the property left in the hands of
my beloved wife Sarah until after his death and to
enable my son James to pay off said legacies. I hereby give
him all the Notes due him also all debts or evidences
of debts which may likewise be due and owing at my
death to me - but should my beloved wife Sarah
leave the property herein before provided, my son
James shall not be bound to pay her bequest but
to further assist my beloved wife Sarah I leave her all the
things which I may have on hand at my decease and I leave
my son James Thompson my executor to carry this my last will & testament
into effect without any bond what the 8 Day of April 1841.
Signed in presence of
John C. Johnston
William V. Thompson

Georgia
Madison County } Court of Obedience July
Term 1857

The within last will and testament of James Thompson having been duly proven at this regular term in open Court upon the oath of John Gholston Ordered that the same be admitted to Record

Recorded 12th July 1857

James Gholston D.C.C.

Georgia
Madison County } In the name of God Amen
I Leonard Bolton of the County
and State of said being afflicted
in body but preserving my common mind do consider the
uncertainty of life and the certainty of death
do hereby constitute publish and declare the
following to be my last will and Testament
Item 1st After my decease I wish my body to be
plain and decently buried -
Item 2nd I desire all my just debts to be paid
Item 3rd I have already given to my son William
B. Bolton one horse saddle and saddle one cow
and calf one bed and furniture and I make
no further provision for him until my wife
Martha N. Bolton's death or widowhood
Item 4th I have given to my son Thomas B. Bolton
I consider as much as I have to William and I
make no further provision for him until my wife
Martha N. Bolton's death
Item 5th I desire and give to my son Elijah
B. Bolton I am not married to Washington I