

Will of John W. Griffin
Georgia Stewart County.

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In the name of God, Amen
I John W. Griffin of the State and county aforesaid be-
ing at this time in the enjoyment of my usual
health and possessing a disposing mind and mind
and also feeling it to be a matter of duty to
make a proper disposition of my worldly effects
do for that purpose make and ordain this my
Last Will and Testament;

1st My will and desire is, that my just debts be paid
as soon after my decease as the same can conveni-
ently be done; and if the money left on hand
may not be sufficient for that purpose, then let
such portion of my property be sold as in the opinion
of my Executor (hereinafter named) can best be spared
and the debts be paid out of the proceeds of the sales.

2nd My will and desire is, that my beloved wife Jane Griffin
shall hold and enjoy the whole of my Estate, both real
and personal, during her natural life; and after her
decease to be equally divided among my children,
share and share alike subject however to the fol-
lowing deductions, exceptions, and limitations; that is to
say my son Royal B. Griffin deceased during his life-time
received two hundred and thirty dollars, which sum
is to be discounted for, as a part of his share in the
portion of my Estate, that shall be to his children; Al-
so my daughter Rebecca Bond has received seventy
five dollars, which is to be accounted for as a part
of her portion, which falls to my said daughter
Rebecca Bond is to be equally divided between her
and her four children by her first husband, Sam-
uel Ovens. In addition to the above two sums ad-
vanced, I have also paid for the benefit of my son
John Griffin the sum of one hundred and fifty one
dollars and a eighty four cents; which is to be deduct-
ed from the distributive share under this my Will.

3rd To my daughter Polly Longford, I give and bequeath
an equal share or portion of my Estate as contemplan-
ted in this my Will, as above expressed, and which
share is to be subjected to no deductions whatever, but
to be received and held subject to the following limita-
tions, "that is to say" such share is to be enjoyed by her
during her ~~Quarantary~~ natural life, and after her decease, to
be equally divided among her children to share and
share alike.

4th The portion or share of my son William Griffin is to be subject
to the same conditions as those mentioned in the last fore-
going clause of this my Will. He is to have an Estate
for life with an Estate in remainder to his children.

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being at the same time of his decease, and in default of a child or children living) at that time, then to be equally divided among his brothers and sisters and their children as in the last foregoing clause.

5th The shares of my daughters Amy and Caroline I bequeath to them, subject in all respects to the same limitations as those mentioned in the two last foregoing clauses of this my will, respecting the shares of my son William and my daughter Polly)

6th At the time of the division of my Estate hereinafter described, it is my will and desire that my daughter Ellen shall receive a negro boy (George) now about four years of age, a bed and furniture, five head of cattle and their increase, that is to say a certain one known in the family by the name of Ride her offspring now and hereafter and also a black man called in the family by the name of Polly; After my daughter Ellen has received the property mentioned in this clause, she is then still to receive an equal distribution out of the balance of my Estate,

7th I do hereby nominate and appoint my much respected neighbours Abel Champion and Joseph H. Mayors to be the Executors of this my last Will and Testament and do request them as my neighbours and friends to execute the same for me.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my hand and affixed my seal, this the the fourteenth day of October Eighteen hundred and forty six.

Signed, sealed, acknowledged & declared by John W. Griffin for his Last Will and Testament and we at his request, and in his presence and in presence of each other have subscribed the same as attesting witnesses.

Joshua Davis

Stephen Bond

Pinkey & Coley

Samuel Sellers &c

} John W. Griffin
his
mark

(Probate)

Georgia } Before us Gustavus D. Lannay and
Stewart County } Baswell B. Harrison two of the Justices of the Superior Court for said county in vacation personally came Abel Champion and Joseph H. Mayors as Executors of the Last Will and Testament of John W. Griffin late of said county deceased and a prodromal instrument in writing of John W. Griffin and two of the witnesses to said Will to wit, Stephen Bond and Pinkey & Coley, who on oath say, they saw John W. Griffin

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the Testator sign, seal, deliver and publish the instrument now presented and thereto annexed as his last Will and Testament voluntarily and of his own accord without any compulsion or influence whatever that at the time of the execution of said will, said Testator was of sound disposing mind and memory that deponents signed said Will as witnesses in the presence of the Testator and in the presence of each other and that Joshua Davis and Samuel Anders also signed said Will in the presence of said Testator in the presence of all and in the presence of each other

Sworn to and subscribed before us this 17th day of April 1847

Roswell B. Harrison J. P. C. } Stephen Boone
Eustanus D. Lantry J. P. C. } Pinkney Coley

Georgia { Court of Ordinary
Stewart County } July Term 1847

The within last Will and Testament of John W. Griffin having been proved in vacation and at this regular Term of the Court upon the oaths of Stephen Boone and Pinkney J. Coley

Ordered that the same be admitted to record.

This 5th July 1847
M. Graham C. C. O

Georgia Marion County

The above and foregoing Will and probate of John W. Griffin deceased transcribed from the book containing the record of Annual Returns (book marked "B", on pages 122, 123 & 124 by order of the Court of Ordinary for said county of Marion

This June 7th 1850

William Williams C. C. O

Will of Daniel Frazier

In the name of God, Amen

I Daniel Frazier being weak in body but of sound and disposing mind and memory, and calling to mind the uncertainty of life and being desirous of disposing of my worldly Estate, with which it has pleased God to bless me, do make this my last Will and Testament, viz,

First I will my body to be decently buried and my soul to God who gave it.
Secondly I give to my beloved wife Emily Frazier three negroes