

Will of Thomas H. Newsome

State of Georgia Marion County:
 I Thomas H. Newsome of the County and
 State aforesaid, being now confined to my bed
 from sickness, but being of sound and disposing
 mind and memory deem it right and
 proper that I should make disposition
 of the property with which a kind
 Providence has blessed me, do therefore
 make this to be my last will and
 Testament hereby revoking all former wills

1st It is my will and desire, that all my
 just debts be paid by my executrix herein after
 as soon as convenient after my death

2nd I have given to my son Minahan Newsome
 now in the Confederate State Army a small
 mare colt, valued at two hundred dollars which
 he is to have as soon as he is released from
 the army, and in case he should die in the
 Army this matter is to keep the same as long
 as it or she lives;

3rd I have assisted my son, John B. Newsome
 to an amount over two hundred dollars, but
 only charge him with two hundred dollars

4th All the residue of my estate both real
 and personal I give to my beloved wife Amanda
 for and during her natural life or widowhood,
 and at her death or in the event of her
 marrying again, then my children all are
 who have not received anything to have two
 hundred dollars each to make them a equal
 with my sons John B and Minahan, then the
 remainder to be divided among all my children
 share and share alike agreeable to the laws
 of distribution in this State for and during
 their lives and at their death to their children
 or lawfully heirs

5th The property which my daughters may
 receive under the fourth clause not be
 subject to the debt or liabilities of any husband
 they may have, neither what is given to my
 sons can be disposed of by them or sold
 for their debts

6th I hereby nominate and appoint my
 beloved wife Amanda Newsome
 executrix to my last will and Testament
 and I have the same faithfully
 executed. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my
 hand and seal this 20th Feb 1863 Thomas H. Newsome

Signed, sealed, declared by Thomas H. Newson
as his last will and testament who subscribed
the same in our presence and we subscribed
the same in the presence of said testator and
of each other at his instance and request
this February the 25th 1863.

Harriet P. Brown
James Powell
Geo. H. McDuffie

Probate

Georgia Marion County.

Court of Ordinary August Term 1881.
Whereas Amanda Newson has offered for
probate in Common form of law the last
will of Thomas H. Newson late of said County
deceased and it appearing by the papers
offered as the will aforesaid that that the
same was signed as witnessed by
Harriet Brown, James Powell, and Geo. H. McDuffie
and it further appearing that at the time
of the execution of said papers said
subscribing witnesses were competent to witness
wills under the laws of said State; that since
the execution of said will two of the
subscribing witnesses, to wit, Geo. H. McDuffie and
Harriet P. Brown have died and that the other
witness James Powell has lost his eye sight
to such an extent that he cannot distinguish
his name, and it further appearing upon the testimony
of Edgar M. Ruff that the will is in the hand writing
of Geo. H. McDuffie, one of the witnesses, and that the
signature of Geo. H. McDuffie is the genuine signature
of Geo. H. McDuffie, that witness has known testator
a long time & at date of said will was competent
to make a will -

When for it is ordered that the papers offered for
probate be declared to be the will of said Thomas
H. Newson & that same be probated in Common
form of law

Geo. M. Low
only

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