

Georgia
 Pike County } In the name of God. Amen
 I Thomas N. Pitts of the county and state aforesaid
 knowing the uncertainty of life and the certainty
 of death and being in full state of body but of
 sound mind and disposing memory. Give time
 by constitute appoint make and declare this
 my last will and Testament as follows

- 1st It is my will and desire that my debts be paid out of
 the proceeds of the present and next year's crop if suf-
 ficient with what debts and accounts due me al-
 lowing for family use a sufficiency. I hereby
 direct my Executors to sell of my Estate enough for
 that purpose. It is my will and desire that my
 Estate after my debts are paid that my ne-
 goods and other property be kept together.
- 2nd And it is my will and desire that my beloved
 wife Nancy after my death she shall receive
 and have for her benefit and use during her
 natural life twice the amount out of my Estate
 that may be the share or portion of one child
 upon an equal division among all my chil-
 dren. But at the death of my wife Nancy in
 the event of her marrying again after my death
 the property which she receives from my Estate
 for her lifetime use shall revert to my children
 and to be equally divided among them.
- 3rd And it is my will and desire that my children
 shall receive from Estate equally as they may
 become of age or marry and that after any one
 of my children shall so receive their equal por-
 tion of my Estate by becoming of age or marrying
 that the balance or residue of my children's Estate
 shall be kept together and each child receive his
 or her part of the Estate as they may become of age
 or may marry. And it is my will and desire that
 the place whereon myself and family now live
 shall be sold when my Executors shall think best
 and the money be appropriated to the purchase of
 land that may be more suitable to the interest and
 advantage of my family and Estate.
- 4th And I Thomas N. Pitts do hereby constitute and appoint
 and nominate my dear and beloved wife Nancy Pitts
 and my dear brother William H. Pitts my Executors
 of this my last Will and Testament hereby empow-
 ering them with all the legal rights of Executor and
 Administrator of my Estate. Signed with my hand
 and seal this 17th ninth day of December and
 in the year of our Lord one thousand

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eight hundred and forty three,
signed, & sealed in presence of us

David N. Varner } Thomas N. Pitts L.A.
William C. Beckcum }
Allen B. Beady }

Georgia } We David N. Varner, William C. Beckcum
Pike County } and Allen B. Beady, do solemnly swear
that we saw Thomas N. Pitts, sign, seal, publish and
declare this writing to be and contain his will, that
at the time thereof he was of sound disposing mind
and memory, and that he did it fairly without com-
pulsion, to the best of our knowledge. This 1st day of
January 1844

Test } David N. Varner
Wiley E. Mangham & Co. } William C. Beckcum
Allen B. Beady

George } We Nancy N. Pitts and William H. Pitts
Pike County } do solemnly swear that this writing contains the true
Last Will and Testament of Thomas N. Pitts deceased,
so far as we know or believe, and that we will well
and truly execute the same by paying first the debts and
then the legacies contained in the same Will as far as
his goods and chattels will therewith extend and the
law charges us, and that we will make a true and
perfect inventory of all such goods and chattels,
Sworn to and subscribed in open court, this 1st day
of January 1844

Wiley Mangham & Co. } Nancy N. Pitts
William H. Pitts

Court of Ordinary

January regular Term 1844

The Last will and Testament of Thomas N. Pitts
deceased, having been duly proven at this regu-
lar Term in open Court upon the oaths of David N.
Varner, William C. Beckcum, And Allen B. Beady,
Ordered that the same be admitted to record.

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Pike County } Clerk's office, Court of Ordinary
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Georgia }
Marion County } Transcribed from the minutes of the Court
of Ordinary, this 10th 1880 William Williams & Co.