

Georgia

Meriwether County

In the name of God, Amen. I Henry Harris of the State and County aforesaid impressed with the great uncertainty of life and the importance of arranging both our temporal and spiritual interests with reference to that final summons which sooner or later awaits all the living, being of sound mind and disposing memory, do hereby make, publish and declare the following disposition of my Estate.

First, I desire all my just liabilities to be discharged.

Secondly, I hereby ratify and confirm the disposition of such property as I have heretofore made to my dear children and their lineal descendants.

Thirdly, I hereby give and bequeath unto my beloved wife (Mary Harris) the following property together with all the natural increase proceeds and profits arising therefrom, to wit, Keesab, David and his wife Lucy and their children, Jerry, Augustus, Laura, Rich, Sophronia, Betty and an infant, also (\$3000) Two thousand Dollars in Cash, my Household and Kitchen furniture, Carriage and Horses and one sixth part of such Crops as may be on hand or growing at the time of my decease.

Fourthly, I also will and desire to leave my beloved wife during her natural life the following property to wit, Shadrac, Harry, Washington, Alfred, Mariano and her children, Warner and his wife Mary and Rainey, also one sixth part of my stock, Farm implements, together with the house and lot whereon I now reside with the tract of Land adjoining containing Two hundred and eighty acres more or less.

Fifthly, I also will and desire, that the property bequeathed my dear wife during her life as designated in the fourth item of this instrument, shall at her death revert to my Estate and be equally divided between my five dear children to wit, Benjamin W. Samuel W. Henry R. & William C. Harris and Mary Ann Tassett, share and share alike.

Sixthly, I also will and bequeath to each of my herein named Grand Children (the children of my deceased Daughter Elizabeth Hall late of the State of Louisiana) to wit, - Dorian, William

Rolling, Francis and Emmet each the sum of (\$1200)
Twelve hundred dollars,

Seventhly, I also will and bequeath to my son Benjamin
J. Harris the sum of Four Thousand dollars to be held by him
as a trust fund for the benefit and use of my two little Grandsons
to wit, Benjamin & Wilmet Hall sons of my deceased daughter
Elizabeth Hall, and I wish to provide that in the event of the
death of either of my Grandsons before reaching their majority the
said Trustee shall pay over the entire sum to the surviving brother
(Benjamin or Wilmet as the case may be.)

Eighthly, I give and bequeath to my daughter Nancy Slater
of the State of Alabama the sum of (\$2000) Two thousand
dollars, and to each of the following children of my said daughter
Nancy Slater to wit, Mary, Henry, William, Rebecca, Martha,
and Caroline One thousand dollars,

Ninthly, I further give and bequeath unto my said Daughter
Nancy Slater the sum of One thousand dollars to be held by her
in trust for the use and benefit of her three Grandchildren (the
children of her deceased daughter Sarah Frances Smith.)

Tenth, I request and desire my Executors hereinafter app-
ointed) to pay off the Specific Legacies herein made as soon as
the interest of the Estate will authorize and the receipt of the
respective Legatees shall be a full satisfaction of all claims
they may have had on my Estate, and a complete discharge
of my Executors from all legal liability on account thereof.

Eleventh, The entire remainder of my Estate both Real and
Personal, consisting of Lands, Negroes, Stock, Plantation
Implements, Crops, Money, Notes and accounts, I hereby give
and bequeath equally to my five children to wit, Benjamin
J. Samuel W. Henry W. and William J. Harris and Mary
Ann Sargent share and share alike,

Twelfth, I hereby nominate and appoint my dear sons
Benjamin J. and Henry W. Harris my legal and ex-
clusive Executors conferring upon them full discretion
as to the manner in which my Estate shall be closed
up with the request that particular reference be had
for the health and comfort of my aged servants.

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and in the distribution of my Negroes there be no separation
of Husband from Wife nor of young Children from Parents,
Solely.

Reverting all other wills and Testaments I hereby
declare this to be my last and only Will and Testament.

In Testimony whereof I hereunto affix my seal and subscribe
my name this 28th day of November Anno Domini, One
thousand eight hundred and fifty eight.

In the presence of

W. C. Lawson

G. G. Howard

John A. Simonson

Henry Harris

Georgia }
Meriwether County } Meriwether Court of Ordinary.
January Term 1859

The within last Will and Testament of Henry Harris
having been proven at this regular term in Open Court
upon the Oaths of William C. Lawson, Greenbury G. Howard
and John A. Simonson,

Ordered that the same be admitted to Record.
10th Jan'y 1859 D. C. Gresham, C. M. C.