

State of Georgia ✓
Meriwether County In the name of God Amen

John Freeman
being of advanced age and knowing that
I must soon or late depart this life and
being of sound mind and disposing memory
make this my last will and Testament
Item 1st I direct that all my just debts be
paid by + executor hereinafter named
as soon as possible especially as there is
no necessity for delay + keeping of my
creditors out of their just dues.

Item 2^d I give bequeath and devise to my
friend James A Hodges son of John
Hodges lot of land situated in the
hundred and nineteen situated lying
and being in the Eleventh district of
Original Township New Meriwether County
containing two hundred two and half acres
more or less except two acres in the
North West corner of said lot to have
and to hold said lot of land and
its appurtenances unto him the said
James A Hodges and his heirs forever
in fee simple

Item 3^d I give and bequeath to my +
James A Hodges my four Negroes slaves
Marroll a man of light complexion
about twenty two years of age my boy
Elbert of light complexion about thirteen
years of age my son of light
complexion about seventeen years of age
also my girl Mary also of light complexion
about eleven years of age To have and
to hold said Negroes and their increase
to him the said James A Hodges and
his heirs forever

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Item 4th I give and bequeath to my friend
James A. Hodges all my horses, hays,
corn, and calves, waggon & harness, farming
utensils, household and kitchen furniture
and crop on hand at the time of my death
unto him the said James A. Hodges and
his heirs forever

Item 5th I give and bequeath to my friend
James A. Hodges all my real estate both real
and personal not here in before disposed of
that I am now possessed of or may be pos-
sessed of at the time of my death unto him
the said James A. Hodges and his heirs
forever in fee simple

Item 6th I hereby appoint James A. Hodges

my friend and son of John Hodges
executor of this my last will & Testament
Item 7th I direct that my executor
James A. Hodges give my body a
decent and Christian like burial &
the expenses thereof to pay by him as
my executor out of my estate

In Witness Whereof I have hereunto
set my hand signed sealed published
and declared this my last will and
Testament this 7th day of May 1852

John Freeman (Seal)

Signed Sealed published and declared by the
Testator in the presence of us and in the presence
of each other as his last will and Testament
Test

Wm. Smith

Wm. Turner

John T. Matthews

Georgia
Meriwether County
Court of Ordinary
May Term 1853
The within last will
and Testament of John Freeman having
been proved as this regular Term in
Open Court before the Oath of Isaac
Smith Clerk of said County and John T. Washburn
Thirder Ordered that this same be
admitted to record as the last will
and Testament of John Freeman late
of said County decd. This first day
of May 1853.
J. C. Brewster Ordinary
His Office Clerk of the
Court of Ordinary of
Meriwether County Georgia

Record 4 April 1856 - The last will Testament of the
Freeman to be forwarded to Texas for destruction
Jno. Knight

Georgia
Meriwether County
In the name of God Amen
William Plant of
said State and County being infirm and
believing that I will shortly depart from
this world deem it right and proper
both as respects myself and my family
that I should make a disposition of the
property with which a kind providence
has blessed me I therefore make this
my last will and Testament hereby revoking
and annulling all others here before
made by me.
I desire and direct that my
body be buried in a decent place
Manner suitable to the circumstances
and condition -