

Georgia. In the Name of God, Amen  
Meriwether County, I Mark Thornton of the County  
and State aforesaid being feeble  
in body but of sound mind and disposing memory,  
do make this my last Will and Testament  
in view of having my wife provided for. I  
give, bequeath and devise to my said wife Ruth  
Thornton all my lot of land lying and being  
on the South side of Red Oak Creek which  
supposed to contain sixty acres more or less &  
embraces my present residence Also I give to  
my said wife my Negro Woman Liza all my  
Household and Kitchen Furniture one cow  
and calf and all my stock hog and as  
my wife will be left in the possession of the  
above described property my wish is that she  
be put to no further trouble or expense only that  
she shall have this instrument proven and  
regularly recorded in the proper Office.

In Witness of all which I have hereunto  
set my hand and affixed my seal this 10th  
day of April in the year one thousand eight  
hundred and fifty six

signed, sealed and acknowledged  
before us

L. M. Adams, Mark Thornton (Ld)  
J. T. Reese, Nurse  
E. C. Maffett

Meriwether Court of Ordinary  
May Term 1856

The within last Will and Testament of Mark Thornton  
having been proven at this regular term in  
open Court upon the Oaths of Joseph T. Reese, Ephraim  
C. Maffett and Levi M. Adams. Ordered that  
the same be admitted to Record.  
5th May 1856 J. B. Fresham, C. C.  
Recorded 10th May 1856  
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