

Georgia
 Milledgeville County, 3 In the name of God Amen
 I William Columbus

Esq. of the County and

State aforesaid, being of sound mind and
 memory though in a low state of health
 certain of death and at the same time
 uncertain of the time of its approach
 do hereby make and publish this my
 last will and Testament in the
 manner following to wit-

I most devoutly recommend my soul
 to ~~the~~ Almighty God who gave me
 life and in whom I put most
 implicit faith

Item 1st- I will that after all my just
 debts are paid that my Estate
 both real and personal be divided
 in Manner following to wit It is
 my will and desire that all my property
 both real and personal be kept
 together until my oldest Son William
 C. becomes of age or Marries then my
 Estate to be valued by my Executors or by
 three such other persons as they may
 fit to choose and an equal share be
 given to my said Son William C. and
 to my youngest Son James O. becomes
 of age or Marries that the remaining
 portion of my Estate be valued as above
 and be equally divided between him
 and my beloved wife Sarah C. Esq.

Item 2^d I hereby constitute and appoint
 my friends Charles N. Saliaferro
 Albert G. Loefer and my beloved wife
 Sarah C. Esq. Executors and
 Executors to this my last will and
 Testament- In Witness whereof I

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have hereunto set my hand and seal
this the first day of August 1856

Witness
George W. Milliner 3 William C. Esham 3
James W. Slap 3
Isaac P. Shney 3

Georgia
Meriwether County 3 Court of Ordinary
December Term 1856

The within last will and Testament
of William C. Esham late of said County
decd having been proved at the regular
Term in Open Court upon the Oaths
of George W. Milliner and Isaac P.
Shney two of the Subscribing witnesses
to the same - Ordered that the same
be admitted to Record
1st Dec 1856 L. C. Esham (ordy me)

Recorded this first day Dec 1856
L. C. Esham ordy me