

A. Certificate of the Will of  
John P. Bearis as proven and ordered  
of record May Term 1865.

Milton County Wills

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Item 1<sup>st</sup> I wish my Executrix as soon as possible  
after my death to pay all my just debts.

Item 2<sup>nd</sup> I give and bequeath to my beloved  
wife Rosannah C. Bearis all of my property  
both real and personal, for and during her Natural  
life only, and after her death to be equally divided  
among my children except such as may be  
hereafter specified in this will, to have full control  
of the same in any manner she may see proper.

Item 3<sup>rd</sup> I give and bequeath to my son Benjamin  
W. my entire interest in and to the Mill and  
Tanyard when he arrives at the age of  
Twenty one years, provided he will remain at  
home, and attend to the business of the Mill and  
Tanyard until he arrives at the age of Twenty  
one years.

Item 4<sup>th</sup> I do hereby appoint my beloved wife  
Rosannah C. Bearis Executrix of this my  
last will.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my  
hand this 11<sup>th</sup> day of September 1865,  
Signed *J. P. Bearis.*

Signed and published by John P. Bearis as  
his last will and testament in our presence  
as witnesses thereto by his request this 11<sup>th</sup> day  
of September 1865.

*C. H. Mauder*

*J. L. Bailey*

*Madison Jameson*

*C. G. Galloway*