

I do also give (and bequeath) to my beloved sister Mary Clay  
one good milch cow, full earthly as to all the meat, provision (and)  
remainder of my personal estate, goods (and) chattels of what kind,  
the nature & sorts I give (and) bequeath the same to my (and) beloved  
brother John Finch whom I hereby appoint sole Executor of this  
my last will and testament (and) abrogating all former wills  
by me made. the witness whereof I have hereunto set my  
hand (and) seal this 28<sup>th</sup> day of September eighteen hundred and  
thirty three

Raleigh Holt  
Thomas B. Turner  
William Finch

Robert A. Finch  
Mark

### Georgia

Motlow County Personally appeared in open court Raleigh Holt  
(and) William Finch who being duly sworn  
deposits and saith that they saw Robert Finch sign, seal  
deliver and publish the within as his last will and testament  
that they signed the same as witnesses in his presence (and) saw  
Thomas B. Turner sign the same as a witness. Sworn to in  
open court this the 1 Decr 1834

William Finch

Raleigh Holt

Ordered by the court that said will be admitted to record  
1 Decr 1834.

Recorded March 23<sup>rd</sup> 1835

Elbridge G. Labanoff C.C.O.

In the name of God Amen

I Byrd, Inhabit. of the county of  
Monroe in the state of Georgia being in low health but of sound (and)  
disposing (my) (and) memory do make (and) ordain this my last will  
(and) testament.

It is my will (and) desire that all my property, real (and) personal  
after the payment of my just debts (should) be kept together (and)  
managed to the best advantage for the maintenance of my beloved  
wife (and) children (and) for bestowing on my children a proper education.  
When my youngest child arrives at the age of twenty one years  
(and) property or what may remain thereof with the increase  
(and) profits is to be divided among my wife (and) children equally  
according to the statute of distributions now of force in this state.

In case however my beloved Georgia will about 1840 marry again  
before the arrival of my youngest child at the age of  
twenty one years then it is my will that on her marrying

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w<sup>e</sup> full part of my estate according to what she would be entitled to under the Statute of distributions should be apportioned (and set apart) to her — (said apportionment to be so made as to make her share of my estate, as it may then stand equal in all respects with a child's part.) After such apportionment of my wife's part in case of her marriage, my will is that what belongs to my children should still be kept together and managed for their support (and education until the youngest arrives at full age).

I appoint my beloved wife Mary Switzer and my brother William Switzer executors of this my will.

Signed, sealed and published in presence  
of us this 10<sup>th</sup> day of June 1834.

Elbridge G. Leaburn Jr.

A. H. Chapman

M. W. Miller

Bird Switzer

Georgia

Monroe County, Personally appeared in open court Abraam Holchappia (and Elbridge G. Leaburn two of the subscribing witnesses to the within will the testator of Bird Switzer did and after being duly sworn deposed and say that they saw Bird Switzer sign, seal and acknowledge the same as and for his last will and testament (and that they in the presence of the said Bird Switzer, (and at his request (and in the presence of each other and of Franklin Leaburn also signed the same as attesting witnesses (and that they saw Franklin Leaburn in the presence of said Bird Switzer (and at his request sign the same as an attesting witness with them aforesaid and that at the time of the execution of (said last will and testament the said Bird Switzer was of sound (and disposing mind and memory.

Sworn to said subscription in open court this 10<sup>th</sup> day of May 1835.

Henry Long J. H.

Jacob Dunn J. H.

Parham Buckner J. H.

Abraam Holchappia

Elbridge G. Leaburn

Georgia

Monroe County I do solemnly swear that the writing contains the true last will of the within named Bird Switzer declared so far as I know or believe (and that it will well and truly execute the same by paying first the debts and then the legacies contained in (said will so far as his goods and chattels will therewith extend (and the law charge me (and that I will make a true and perfect inventory of all such goods and chattels to the best of my knowledge)

Elbridge G. Leaburn C. C. O.

Mary T. Parham  
mark

Recorded September 11<sup>th</sup> 1835

Monroe County, Georgia Will 1824-1847

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C. C. O.