

as I know or believe, and that I will well and truly execute the same by paying first the debts and then the legacies contained in the said will as far as his goods & chattels will thereunto extend the law charge me and that I will make a true and perfect inventory all such goods and chattels: So help me God.

Sown to in open Court this
day of 1828

Georgia }
Monroe County } I Charles Gibson being of sound and disposing mind and memory, do make publish and declare this for my last will and testament
Item 1st I direct that all my lands be sold upon three equal annual instalments and all my perishable and personal property of every kind, except my negroes, be sold upon a credit of twelve months (and) that my land should be sold to the highest bidder for cash in the city of Macon sixty days notice thereof being given in one of the public gazettes in that place (and) I further direct that small notes with approved security bearing interest from date, if not punctually paid be required for all my property which may be sold on a credit.

Item 2nd I will and direct that five persons be appointed by the court of ordinary to appraise my negroes and divide them by lot in parcels of as equal value as possible between my wife Frances Gibson (whose share is bequeathed to her during her natural life (and) my following named children, viz. Emily Frances Gibson, John Wm Gibson, Mary Antoinette Gibson, Francis Dan Gibson, Martha Ann Eliza Gibson, Thomas Jephth Gibson (and) Prissy Gibson, and that net proceeds of the sale of my property above directed to be sold together with the money on hand (and) debts due at my death be equally divided between my wife (and) children before named in such manner as to make the distributives of each in negroes and money equal, and as before

directed, the negroes and money bequeathed to my wife are to be hers during her natural life and at her death to be equally divided together with the natural increase of the negroes between my children before named or their survivors

Item 2^d I direct that my Daughters Emily F. Gibson Mary Agibson, Francis Agibson, Martha Ann F. Gibson and Ann Potantly Gibson, be paid their legacies when they marry, or as they respectively arrive at the age of twenty years, and my sons John F. Gibson and Thomas J. Gibson shall be entitled to their legacies when they respectively attain the age of twenty years.

Item 3^d In the event of the death of either or any of my children above named before marriage or arriving at the age of twenty years, it is my will and desire that the share or shares of each as may so die shall be equally divided between the survivors.

Item 4th I hereby nominate and appoint the persons herein after to be named as my executors to act as Guardians for my children until they shall respectively become entitled to their legacies as before directed and it is particularly enjoined upon them to attend to the education of my children and keep them at school as long as practicable.

Item 5th The property which I have heretofore given to my sons Henry Gibson and Allen Gibson and my daughters Mary Reynolds and Elizabeth Randle shall constitute their shares in full of my estate.

Item 6th I hereby nominate and appoint my son Allen Gibson and my friend Reuben Wright Executors to this my last will and testament.

Signed, sealed, published and declared in the presence of and attested by us in presence of the testator & at his request and in presence of each other this eighth day of October 1838

Allen F. Gibson
Reuben Wright
James M. Smith

(Chas. Gibson Test)

George A. Monroe County, Georgia, personally came before us Decker D. Walker

and Thomas W. Neal, Justices of the Inferior Court of said County
 Reuben Wright and Elbridge G. Lebaron two of the Subscribers
 Witnesses to the foregoing will and being duly sworn depose and
 say they saw Churchill Gibson, sign seal publish and declare
 the foregoing as and for his last will in presence of deponents
 and in presence of James M. Knott. That deponents attested
 said will in presence of said Churchill Gibson and at his request
 and in presence of each other and of James M. Knott that
 said James M. Knott attested said will in presence of said Churchill
 Gibson and at his request and in presence of these deponents
 that said Churchill Gibson at the time of the execution of said will
 was of sound disposing mind and memory, and that he executed the
 same freely voluntarily and without compulsion.

Sworn to and Subscribed before us

This 19th day of December 1838

D. P. Walker J. C. C.
 The W. Neal J. C. C.

Reuben Wright
 Elbridge G. Lebaron

Georgia }
 Monroe County } Court of Ordinary, January term 1839

The foregoing last will and testament
 of Churchill Gibson deceased having been proven during the
 vacation of the Court before their Honors, Thomas W. Neal
 and Decker P. Walker two of the Justices of said Court upon
 the oaths of Reuben Wright and Elbridge G. Lebaron two of
 the attesting witnesses of said will, and said will at the
 regular term of the Court being produced for record by Reuben
 Wright one of the Executors therein named.

It is ordered by the Court that said will be admitted
 to record and that letters testamentary be granted to said
 Reuben Wright.

Georgia }
 Monroe County } I Reuben Wright do solemnly swear that the
 within contains the true last will of the within
 named Churchill Gibson deceased as far as I know or believe
 & that I will, will & truly execute the same by paying first the
 debts & then the legacies contained in the said will as far
 as his goods & chattels will thereto extend & the balance
 m. & that I will make a true & perfect inventory of all
 such goods & chattels. So help me God.

Sworn to & Subscribed before me this 7th day of January
 1839

Elbridge G. Lebaron J. C. C.

Reuben Wright