

Georgia } I William R. Murphy do solemnly
 Monroe County } swear that this writing contains the true
 last will of the within named John Horn
 deceased so far as I know or believe & that I will well
 and truly execute the same by paying first the debts and
 then the legacies contained in said will as far as his goods
 and chattels will hereunto extend, and the law charge on
 and that I will make a true & perfect inventory of all such
 goods and chattels. So help me god.

Given p. & subscribed in open }
 Court this 2nd day of March 1840 } William R. Murphy
 Egleababoup l.l.R.

Recorded March 6th 1840
 Egleababoup l.l.R.

Georgia } In the name of God Amen I John Edwards of the
 Monroe County } State and County above named being weak
 in body but of sound and perfect mind and
 memory praye be to god for the same and being desirous to
 settle my worldly affairs whilst I have strength and capacity
 to do so make and publish this my last will and testament hereby
 revoking and making void all other wills by me heretofore at
 any time made, First and principally I commit my soul
 unto the hands of my creator who gave it; and my body
 to the earth to be decently interred by my friends and
 executors hereafter named and as to so much of the things of
 this world as it has been pleased god to entrust me with
 I dispose of the same as follows, I.e. having received a considerable
 part of the property which I now possess, or the means of obtaining
 it by my present wife Sarah Edwards I consider it only as a
 duty arising from fact already mentioned but also a pleasure
 in return for the long continued love and affection to take
 care that during her life she may have sufficient to enable
 her to live independent of the gratuitous assistance of others
 & I therefore bequeath to my wife Sarah Edwards all of the property
 of my estate both real and personal to manage and dispose of
 as she may think proper with this exception; I give and bequeath
 at my death to my son John Edwards one negro woman by the name
 of Rebecca which he has now in possession I also give and bequeath
 to my daughter Nancy Spear one negro woman by the name of Sandy

and her increase which she has now in possession I also give and bequath to my daughter Sarah Riddle one negro woman by name Tit which she has now in possession I also give and bequath to my son George Edwards one negro boy by the name of Peter I also give and bequath to my son Charles one negro man by the name of John I also give and bequath to my daughter Mariah Edwards two negro girls one by the name of Luce and the other Mary I also give and bequath to my daughter Amy Foster one negro woman by the name of old Kate I also give and bequath to my son Benjamin Edwards at my death two hundred dollars in cash and in twelve months thereafter two hundred dollars in cash and in twelve months thereafter two hundred dollars in cash and in twelve months thereafter two hundred dollars in cash making in all eight hundred dollars to be paid in four annual instalments by my executors I give and bequath to my daughter Mary Sanders and her husband Luke Sanders the sum of five dollars and no more I also give and bequath to my son Asa Edwards the sum of five dollars and no more the two above mentioned bequest of five dollars each to be in full of their share of my estate hereafter to be receivable by the person Respectfully named and mentioned in this clause of my will, and to the end my views and feelings may not be mistaken and that this my last will and Testament may hereafter in some degree explain itself I wish here to mention as my reason for making the two above trifling bequest Some years ago my son in law Luke Sanders by the assistance of others conveyed away a part of my negroes in the night as his own property without my leave or approbation and the above named Asa Edwards to assist with them against me. That should as I thought little regard for me or my interest or feelings and put me to much cost and trouble but I hope without feeling ought of ill will or resentment towards those of my children already mentioned to whom with paternal affection I wish and desire all good. I appoint my friend Michael D. Gaar and my son George Edwards my executors and my wife Sarah Edwards my executrix to execute this my last will and Testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this tenth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty eight John Edwards {Sd}

Test interlined before assigned

John A. Ellington
John W. D. Barry
Michael D. Gaar

Georgia { Before me came John A. Ellington who being duly sworn
Monroe County deponent and says that the said within instrument is the last will and Testament of John Edwards late of said state and County Deceased

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That he was present when the said John Edwards signed sealed declared and published it as his last will and testament acting as subscribing witness saw him sign seal and execute it as his last will and testament and signed it as a subscribing witness in the presence of the said John Edwards and that the said John Edwards was at the time of sound disposing mind and made executed and declared it as his last will and testament freely voluntarily and without compulsion that he saw John St W Barry with Michael St Isaac sign as subscribing witnesses in presence of said John Edwards Sworn to and subscribed before me this 7th day of January eighteen hundred and thirty nine

Elbridge C. C. C. John M. Ellington

The caveat against the probate and record of the last will and testament of John Edwards died having been withdrawn and said will having been proved in open Court upon the oath of John M. Ellington it is ordered by the Court that said will be admitted to record and that letters testamentary be granted to Sarah Edwards and George W. Edwards according to said will

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 and the law charges on and that we will make a true and perfect
 inventory of such goods and chattels So help us God

Sworn to and subscribed in
 open Court this 11th day
 of June 1840

Sarah Edwards
 George W. Edwards

Elbridge C. C. C. Argued Oct 10 1840
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