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Will & no Caveat being filed.

It is ordered by the Court that the same be admitted to record & that letters testamentary be granted to Nancy Taylor the Executrix in said will named

Georgia }
Monroe County } I do solemnly swear that this writing contains the
true last will of the within named Eden Taylor
decd. so far as I know or believe. That I will well & truly execute
the same by paying first the debts & then the legacies contained in
said will as far as his goods & chattels will thereunto extend & the
law charge me & that I will make a true & perfect inventory
of all such goods & chattels. So help me God -
Sworn to & Subscribed in open Court
Decr 14. 1846

Nancy ^{her} Taylor
mark

E. G. Babaniff C. C.

Georgia }
Monroe County } In the name of God Amen. I Josiah Hudgens of the
County and State aforesaid being of sound mind (and
memory but knowing it is appointed for all men once to die (and knowing
that my time is fixed in which my life is to be ended do make (and
execute this my last will and testament

Item 1st I wish my body to be decently interred in Christian burial
after my death

Item second. I wish all my just debts to be paid.

Item third. I give to Martha Ann Hudgens my daughter, one feather
bed and furniture and Fancy Bedstead.

Item Fourth. I give to my son Josiah Hudgens my Rifle Gun now in
the possession of my brother Hamlin Hudgens

Item Fifth. The other rifle gun owned by me. I wish to be sold by
my Executrix privately or Publicly as he may think best for the
benefit of the family.

Item Sixth. All the balance of my property consisting of two negro boys,
one named Ned of common dark complexion, about six-
teen years of age and Sam a boy about four years old now in
possession of my brother Hamlin and all my household & kitchen
furniture, with the exception of the above named, my stock & all
every other species of property ^{Monroe County will} I give to John Bird, of ^{www.georgianlawyers.com} ~~Monroe County~~ in trust and for the sole use
and benefit of my wife Zella Hudgens during her life or widowhood
and at her death or marriage for it to be equally divided among all
my children, three and if any of them die before me to be divided among the survivors.

a child's portion. Said property to be free from any debts of his Contract-

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Item seventh. Inasmuch as my brother Hamlin Hudgens has been acting as my agent in selling of my property, I would, for the information of my Executor state he still owes me as a balance for the sale of a negro woman, Agg. the sum of fifty Dollars and the sum of Eighteen Dollars and fifty cents, a balance on the sale of a share which sum I wish collected and to be divided under the sixth item above written - also he has a note belonging to me on Thomas Green for thirty Dollars which I wish disposed of in the same way.

Item eighth to carry out & execute this my last will and testament I do appoint Zilla Hudgens my wife my sole Executor.

Signed Sealed acknowledged

Josiah Hudgens (Seal)

in presence of
Alexander M. Speer }
R J Pinckard }
Wm B Chambers }

Georgia }
Monroe County } Personally appeared in open Court Rufus J Pinckard
and William B Chambers two of the subscribing witnesses
to the foregoing will & being duly sworn depose & say they saw Josiah
Hudgens sign seal publish & declare the same as his last will and tes-
tament that they in the presence of the testator & at his request in
presence of each other & of Alexander M. Speer attested said will as
witnesses & that said Alexander M. Speer in the presence of the
testator & at his request & in presence of deponents attested said will
as a witness - that said testator at the time of the execution of said will
was of sound disposing mind & memory & that he executed the same
freely voluntarily & without compulsion. Signed & declared
in open Court this 5th day of July 1827

E G Cabaniss C. C. D.

R J Pinckard
W B Chambers

The last will & testament of Josiah Hudgens having been proved
in open Court upon the oaths of Rufus J Pinckard & William B Chambers
two of the subscribing witnesses

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