

Georgia June the 6 1848

Murray County 3 This my last will and Testament I wit-
ness and foremost is for my personal property to be sold and
pay all my just debts and the balance to be put to the care
of My wife Sally Neal for the purpose of schooling my
Children

Secondly I will and bequeath unto my wife Sally Neal my
Negro girl Adaline which I wish her to keep her lifetime
and if the said Negro girl should live and have children
I wish her first born to be given and I hereby will and
bequeath unto my Oldest son James Ervin and her second
child unto my second son John Oates her third child
unto my third child Mary Jane and provided my wife
should have a fourth by me which it is possible she may
I wish the fourth Negro child to be given to it but
provided the said Negro should not have that many
Children it should be divided among the children should share
equal in her offspring and if said negro girl should
have more children than I have I wish my wife to
enjoy the benefit of them so long as she lives and after
her death I wish said negro girl and the balance
of her offspring after my children getting a negro
a piece to be equally divided among them

Thirdly I wish William E. Nellborn to be my
Executor to this will fourthly and lastly I wish
Bradley Oates who resides in North Carolina to be
Guardian for my Children

Adam Neal Seal

John Oates 3

W H Oates 3

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Georgia Court of Ordinary July Term 1848
Murray County 3 The last will and Testament
of Adam Neal having been read

regular Terms in Open Court upon the Oaths
of John C. and Charles H. Bates
Ordered that the same be admitted to Record
Test. Will Hargrove J. C.
Thomas C. Austin Clk, & Co

In the name of God Amen I Robert C. Patterson
of the County of Murray and State of Georgia
being of Sound Mind and Memory thanks be to
God for his Mercies I know it is appointed for
all men to die Therefore I Make and Ordain
this my last will and last Testament. First I
recomend my soul into the hands of the Mighty
God who gave it and my body to the Earth to
be buried in Christian Burial nothing doubting.
But at the great resurrection I shall receive
the same again by the Mighty power of God
As Touching such worldly estate as it pleases
God to bless me with in this World I give and
bequeath in the following Manner (Viz)
I will my just Debts are paid I give and
bequeath to my wife Elenor one third of all my
property both real and personal during her
natural life or widowhood and at her death
or should she Marry then an equal distribution
to be made of this third between my children
it is my will that the remaining two thirds of
my property be kept by my Excutrix and
Excecutor for the Maintinence and education
of my Children and when the youngest Child
becomes of age then the remainder of the two
thirds of my property to be equally divided