

March 11th 1868

Georgia 2 In presence of Almighty God.
Microfilm 3 I Julia Bates heretofore being infirm in
body, but sound in mind knowing the
distinctions of all men and that I shall soon be gone
ever to my Father's deem it expedient and just
to make this my last will and Testament:

After paying my just debts with a decent inter-
ment of my body I dispose of all my property
in the following order: 1

1st - I bequeath to my wife Temperance a negro
woman, with her bed and wearing apparel
named Hannah who shall wait upon and
perform any service that may be necessary for
her willson during her natural life, and shall
draw a sufficient amount from the estate for
her maintenance as long as she may live.

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2nd - The remainder of my property consisting
of lands negroes, stock of all kinds household
and kitchen furniture all other property out here
in mentioned shall be sold as the law prescribes
together with what money or cash I may have on
hand, and equally divided between all the lawful
heirs except the following namely, My two sons
John W and Andrew J Bates and two sons in law
John Wilson & Robert C Kane. Three of these named
are deceased, each and all of these grand children
and great grand children have died and the children of
C Kane shall have Twenty dollars apiece, for their
full share of all the estate as they arrive at full
mature age.

3rd - I herein appoint my two sons Matthew and
William B Bates to be my lawful Executors whom
I hope will accept the appointment and
faithfully execute the will of an affectionate Father

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Born to Subscribers in open Court this 7th
day of March 1864

Anderson Hammons

Ordinary

State of Georgia In the name of God Amen.

Murray County I, John H. Hammons of said State and
County, being in bad health and
advanced in age but of sound mind and memory
knowing that I must shortly depart this life deem
it right and proper both as respects my children
and myself that I should make a disposition of the
property with which a kind providence has blessed
me, I do therefore make this my last will and
testament hereby revoking and annulling all
others by me heretofore made.

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First I desire and direct that my body be buried
in decent and christian like manner suitable
to my condition in life; my soul I trust shall
return to rest with God who gave it and I hope
for salvation through the merits and atonement of
the blessed Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Second I desire and direct that all my just debts
be paid without delay by my Executors hereinafter
named and appointed.

Thirdly, I give bequeath and devise to my son
J. P. Hammons one half of all it [unclear]
after my just debts are paid, consisting of
Negroes Money notes & accounts horses mules
& stock of all kinds & all property of every
description belonging to me or that I am in
any manner interested in to him forever.

Fourthly I give and bequeath to my Daughter
Mary H. Hammons for her sole and separate