

# Charles E. Dexters Will

Muscogee County, Georgia Wills, Book C, 1875-1891

To my three Heirs after my death, my Wife, my Daughter Elizabeth Blake Jordan and Richard P. Dexter.

This is my first and last Will.

1<sup>st</sup> I desire my Wife to administer on my property, and select her own advisers, if there are living and here would suggest my brother Amory and Oliver M. Shenny.

2<sup>d</sup> I have already given my daughter the house and lot where they are now living - likewise in buying my sons plantation I paid out cash two thousand dollars "part payment" to offset the gift to daughter. Now therefore as the above gifts mentioned to my children and calculating interest would each amount to value of my present residence, consequently I have bequeathed it to my Wife, so that she likewise have a home after my death.

3<sup>d</sup> I give to my Wife all the household furniture china & silver ware. Balance of my property I wish divided equally between my Wife and my two own children - if daughter is not living, then I want her mother to select a guardian for her children (to take care of her one third), for the benefit of said children, to be divided to them when they become of age, according to law. If either of my children at my death owe me borrowed money, or money paid out for them (as at present my son owes me quite a large sum), then said amount shall be part of their proportion One third.

Again. If my Wife should think proper to wed again, I want her for the memory of the love she has now for me, and for her security also to have all her property well secured to her employing legal wisdom to see that it is properly secured.

At present I owe no man woman or child.

Columbus Georgia Muscogee County this the seventh day of February 1879.

Signed in our presence

Wm Fleming

W. F. Snider

Geo. M. Rees

Charles E. Dexter *(his seal)*

My Wild lands in South West Georgia "3 sections on Brunswick and Albany Rail Road" lost during War - although the Deed stands in my name, yet my Wife has half interest because half cost came from her funds in my hands at that time.

Chas. Edward Dexter.

Filed in Office this June 9<sup>th</sup> 1881.

A. M. Brooks

Ordinary.

# Charles E. Dexter's Will continued

State of Georgia Muscogee County

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Before me [www.georgiapioneers.com](http://www.georgiapioneers.com)

~~Before me~~ F. M. Brooks Ordinary in and for said County, personally came W. F. Snider and John M. Rees who upon being duly sworn, depose and say that they saw Charles E. Dexter then in life, sign seal, publish and declare the within instrument of writing to be his last Will and Testament on the day and year the same bears date.

That at the special instance and request of the said testator they affixed their names thereto as subscribing witnesses in the presence of said testator and of each other. Deponents further say that they likewise saw William Fleming sign the said Will as subscribing witness at the request of the said testator and in his presence, and all in the presence of each other. Deponents further say that at the time of publishing and declaring said Will said testator was of sound and disposing mind and memory, and so far as witnesses know or believe he did it freely and voluntarily, and without any undue influence, or compulsion.

Sworn to and subscribed before me

This 9<sup>th</sup> day of June 1881

F. M. Brooks

Ordinary

W. F. Snider

John M. Rees

Georgia Muscogee County.

I, Clara M. Dexter do solemnly swear that this writing contains the true last Will and testament of the herein named Chas E. Dexter so far as I know or believe, and that I will faithfully execute the same in accordance with the laws of Georgia. So help me God.

Sworn to & subscribed before me

This 9<sup>th</sup> day of June 1881.

F. M. Brooks Ordinary.

Mrs C. M. Dexter.

Muscogee Court of Ordinary, June Term 1881.

The foregoing Instrument of writing probated in common form upon the affidavits of W. F. Snider and John M. Rees two of the subscribing witnesses and admitted to record as the last will and testament of Charles E. Dexter and Clara M. Dexter the Executors therein named permitted to qualify.

F. M. Brooks

Ordinary.