

Elizabeth Heard's Will.

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

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The State of Georgia }
Muscogee County }

Know all men by these presents that I Elizabeth Heard of said State and County being of sound mind and health do hereby make and declare this instrument in writing as my last will and testament, and hereby direct my Executor hereinafter named to discharge the trust committed to him in all fidelity.

- Item First. It is will and I hereby direct my Executor as soon after my death as practicable to transfer and deliver to my Grand Daughter Stella F. McLehee my Bed room Furniture consisting of one Bed Stead, one Bureau, one wash Stand, one Feather Bed and one mattress together with all the Bed clothing belonging to me except one pair of Blankets.
- Item Second. My Executor is further instructed to deliver to my daughter Mary A. Heard wife of R. D. Heard of Tuskegee Ala one pair of Blankets.
- Item Third. My Executor is further instructed to deliver to my Daughter Caroline H. Gray my Gold mounted Spectacles.
- Item Fourth. I hereby annul and release all claims or written obligations held by me against any of my children up to this date whether in the shape of notes and open accounts.
- Item Fifth. My Executor is further directed that in the event there should be a crop or crops planted or growing on my dower at the time of my demise, he shall proceed to collect the rents arising therefrom and to exercise all the authority necessary to do so, holding the proceeds as a part of my Estate.
- Item Sixth. It is my wish and desire that as speedily as it may be done after my death there shall be placed over my Grave a plain marble slab or monument to mark the spot where my body lies, and I desire my Executor to superintend this work.
- Item Seventh. My Executor is further directed that as soon after my death as may conveniently be done, he shall pay & discharge all my just debts and burial expenses, when this has been done he shall divide whatever shall remain of my Estate equally among the following children to wit: John A. Heard now resident of Mississippi, Elizabeth M. Farland now residing in Russell County Alabama, Julia A. Fuller also of Russell County Ala., Caroline H. Gray of Columbus Ga, Josephine W. Anderson of Brunswick Ga., Virginia E. Garrett of Columbus Ga, Sarah L. Pecot of Columbus Ga, also to George B. Heard, strictly in trust for the use and benefit of his family.
- Item Eighth. My Executor is further directed and instructed that in the event the amount to be distributed should exceed the

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sum of Four Hundred dollars then and that went the sum of Four Hundred Dollars shall be equally distributed among the children named, any sum remaining over after that division shall be divided equally between the parties named, and my daughter Mary A. Heard, now a resident of Tuskegee Ala. I omitted to place Mary A. Heard among the distributees because I consider the special gifts made to herself and her daughter Stella F. McLehee as equivalent to Fifty Dollars.

Item nine. I hereby appoint and commission Soule J. Pecot as my Executor and direct that he shall not be required to give Bond or security having every confidence in his honesty and integrity to discharge faithfully the duties I have put upon him.

In witness whereof I hereunto set my hand and seal this 18th day of September A. D. 1877.

Elizabeth Heard 

Witness

At the solicitation of Mrs Elizabeth Heard we hereby certify that we saw her affix her signature to the foregoing instrument at the same time declaring it to be her last will and testament.

Witness our hand this the 18th day September 1877.

Geo. Yarbrough.

J. F. Adams.

R. H. Gray.

Filed in office this November 1st 1881.

F. M. Brooks, Ordinary.

State of Georgia Muscogee County

Before me Francis M. Brooks, Ordinary in and for said County personally came George M. Yarbrough, who upon being duly sworn deposeth and saith that he saw Elizabeth Heard, then in life sign, seal, publish and declare the within instrument of writing to be her last will and testament on the day and year the same bears date. That at the special instance and request of the said testatrix he affixed his name thereto as a subscribing witness in the presence of said testatrix and of each other. Deponent further says he likewise saw J. F. Adams and R. H. Gray sign the said will as subscribing witnesses at the request of said testatrix and in his presence and all in the presence of each other. Deponent further says that at the time of publishing and declaring said will said testatrix was of sound and disposing mind and memory and so far as witness knows or believes she did it freely and voluntarily and without any undue influence or compulsion.

Subscribed before me
this 1st day of November 1881

F. M. Brooks, Ordinary }

Geo. M. Yarbrough }

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Georgia Muscogee County

I, S. J. Picot do solemnly swear that this writing contains the true last Will and testament of the herein named Elizabeth Heard 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 and subscribed before me
this 7th day of November 1881
J. M. Brooks
Ordinary

S. J. Picot

Alvin A. Boyd's Will

State of Georgia Muscogee County

I, A. A. Boyd of said State and County, being now of disposing and of sound mind and memory, and knowing the uncertainty of life, deem it right and proper, both as respects my family 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, and my worldly estate, I dispose of as follows

First I desire and direct that all my just debts be paid by my Executors hereinafter named and appointed

Second I desire and request my said Executors to continue my present Mercantile business in the City of Columbus, so long as they in their best judgment may think proper, and whenever the same shall be terminated and wound up, whatever there may be of available assets in the hands of my Executors, including the Corpus, proceeds and profits of said business, I desire that my said Executors shall invest for the use and benefit of my children in such other property as they may think will best subserve their interest, and give and advance to each and all of my said children an amount adequate for their proper maintenance, education and support, according to their circumstances in life

Third As my said children grow up and become competent and qualified to attend to and manage business, I desire my said Executors to advance to them out of my estate, such sums as may be necessary for such purpose provided, such sum shall not exceed the distributive share of any one child. This matter however, I entrust mainly to the wise and prudent discretion of my Executors, desiring them in all things pertaining to the trust imposed, to subserve what may seem to be the best interest of the parties concerned

Fourth As I have heretofore conveyed to my wife a certain House and Lot in the town of Sweet Water in the State of Tennessee, and also Two Hundred and Twenty Two and a half (222 1/2) acs of land, situated on Sink Hole Creek, in the County of Monroe and State of Tennessee, and have also