

Robert L. Bass's Will Continued

Georgia Muscogee County

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I, John H. Bass, do solemnly swear, that this writing contains the true last will and testament of the therein named Robert L. Bass so far as I know or believe, and that I will faithfully execute the same, as Executor thereof in accordance with the laws of Georgia. So help me God,

Sworn to & Subscribed before me
this 8th day of October 1880
F. W. Brooks, Ordinary

John H. Bass

Muscogee Court of Ordinary
October Term 1880

The foregoing instrument of writing having been satisfactorily proven in solemn form by the subscribing witnesses thereto James W. Warren Wm A. Bechell and F. W. Jeter to be the true last will and testament of the therein named Robert L. Bass, deceased, Orders that the same be admitted to record and that the Executor John H. Bass have leave to qualify on the same.

F. W. Brooks

Ordinary

George J. Golden's Will

I George J. Golden of the County of Russell and State of Alabama being of sound and disposing mind and memory, do make and publish this my last will and testament

Item first I give unto my son John T. Golden two shares of the Capital stock of the Columbus Iron Works Company, and also the South half of the half acre lot in Girard, known as the Afflick lot, the said South half being on the corner and including the house on the corner, To have and to hold to him in fee simple forever.

Item Second I give unto my son Thos. Geo. E. Golden, two shares of the Capital stock of said Columbus Iron Works, and also the North half of the said Afflick lot, including the house on said North half lot, To have and to hold to him in fee simple forever

Item Third The balance of my estate in said State of Alabama, consisting mainly if not entirely in the real estate comprising the premises upon which I now reside and the household and kitchen furniture and all other the personal property upon said premises of every kind and character, I give unto W. Riley Brown of Columbus Georgia, To have and to hold unto him and his successors in trust, for the uses following to wit, I direct that my dwelling with all the personal property in and upon the premises, shall be kept and used occupied and enjoyed as a home for my children until my daughter Wannie Lee shall either marry or be come twenty one years old, when I give the same to my said daughter free from the title or control

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of said Trustee. To have and to hold unto her and her heirs forever in fee simple. In case either of my sons should marry before my daughter marries, or becomes twenty one years old, then the right of such son so to live and use said premises as a home place shall cease, and from thence such married son can so live in and use said premises by and with the consent of said trustee, who shall in giving or refusing such consent have regard to the comfort and happiness and welfare of my minor children.

As it may be necessary to sell off some or all of such personal property I give to said trustee power and authority to sell the same as he may deem it to the interest and advantage of my children, and either at public or private sale, and direct the proceeds to be invested in such other personal property as may be best suited to the wants and comforts of my children. My intention in this item being to keep up my dwelling and all the personal property connected therewith as a home for all my children until my daughter shall marry or become twenty one, and to give my trustee such power over the same as the head of a family should have, until my daughter shall be in such condition, either by marriage or age, as to become the head of her own household.

Item 3

Fourth. The remainder of my property lies in Columbus Georgia, and consists mainly of Columbus Iron Works, and Bank Stock, and a house and lot, and I give all the remainder of my estate both real and personal unto H. Riley Brown of Columbus Georgia. To have and to hold to him and his successors in trust for the uses herein as follows, to-wit,

Having already disposed of all my estate in Alabama, I direct that all my debts including funeral expenses shall be paid out of my estate in Georgia, and this bequest is made subject to all such debts and expenses. My said trustee is to collect and receive the rents issues and profits of said estate in Georgia, and after the payment of all debts and expenses, he shall apply the same to the following objects. First, paying the taxes, insurance and repairs upon such estate in Georgia, and the property mentioned in the third item of this will, until the same vests in my daughter. Second, in the support, maintenance and education of my then minor children.

Item 4

Third, If there be any surplus, he may use the same, or any part thereof in aiding or assisting either of my adult children, who for any reason may be in want. Fourth, To invest any surplus not used in some other property for the benefit of my children. In the use of such rents, issues and profits, I give said trustee full discretion to act as he thinks I would do myself. If he chooses to do so, he may or may not charge the adult children a reasonable sum for board, whilst living in my said dwelling. In this he will be guided by the circumstances and wants of my children.

Item 5

When my son George Robert Golden becomes Twenty one years old

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then I direct said trustee to transfer to him two shares of stock in the Columbus Iron works, and two shares in the Merchants and Mechanics Bank of Columbus To have and to hold unto him in fee simple.

When my daughter Annie Lee shall become twenty one years old, I direct said trustee to transfer to her two shares of stock in the Columbus Iron works Company To have and to hold unto her as her separate estate in fee simple.

When my son Cecil Stanford Golden shall become twenty one years old I direct said trustee to transfer to him four shares of stock in said Columbus Iron works Company, To have and to hold unto him in fee simple. If my said son Cecil Stanford, should die before he becomes twenty one, then I direct said trustee to divide all that remains of said estate equally between all my children, provided all my children should then be twenty one years old, but otherwise such division to take place when the youngest child becomes twenty one. And if all, including my son Cecil should become twenty one, then when he arrives at such age all the remainder of my estate to be equally divided between all my children.

Item Fifth

Whilst I prefer that such stock should not be sold, yet it may be for some reason, that it shall become necessary to sell the same, in which case I give said W. R. Brown trustee, power to sell the same, either at private or public sale at his discretion, but this discretion is only to be exercised by said W. R. Brown and not by any successor. In case for any reason there may be no such Bank or Columbus Iron works stock on hand at the time specified for the vesting of any of the above said legacies, then in lieu of such legacies, I direct my trustee to pay either the amount which has been actually realized from such stock, or the par value thereof as said legatus may severally elect.

Item Sixth

I nominate and appoint my son J. Porter Golden to be the Executor of this Will in the State of Alabama, and I do exempt said Executor from giving of any bond as such. I direct that the rents received from the houses on the Afflick lot, and the house ^{on the} lot upon which my dwelling is situated, if rented, shall be used in the payment of the expenses of Administration in Alabama, and if such rent is not sufficient up to the time when said trustee Executor shall distribute said estate in Alabama, according to the provisions of this Will then the balance of such expenses, to be paid out of my estate in Georgia.

Item Seventh

I nominate and appoint my friend W. Riley Brown of Columbus Georgia to be my Executor of this Will in the State of Georgia, And I do exempt and excuse him from the giving of any bond either as Executor or Trustee, under this Will, and I also excuse and relieve him from the making of any Inventory or having any Appraisement of said Estate, and from making any Returns either as Executor or as Trustee, under this Will. And I do this because I have imposed upon him a delicate and onerous burden and having the fullest confidence in his integrity, desire to relieve him as far as possible from the duties required by law from Executors and Trustees.

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In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal on this the 31st day of January 1880.

G. J. Golden (S)

signed, sealed and published by the testator George J. Golden as his last will and testament in our presence, who at his request and in his presence and in the presence of each other have subscribed our names as witnesses thereto.

F. C. Stewart

S. A. Walker

Geo. A. Johnston

State of Georgia Muscogee County

Before me Francis M. Brooks Ordinary in and for said County, personally came F. C. Stewart and S. A. Walker who upon being duly sworn depose and say, that they saw George J. Golden, 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 became 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 John A. Johnston sign the said will, as a 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 fully and voluntarily and without any undue influence or compulsion.

Sworn to & Subscribed before me }
this 5th day of October 1880 }
F. M. Brooks, Ordinary }

F. C. Stewart

S. A. Walker

Muscogee Court of Ordinary
October Term 1880.

The foregoing instrument of writing Probed in Common form upon the affidavits of F. C. Stewart and S. A. Walker two of the subscribing witnesses and admitted to record as the last will and testament of George J. Golden deceased, and W. R. Brown the Executor for Georgia therein named permitted to qualify.

F. M. Brooks Ordinary

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I William R. Brown do solemnly swear that this writing contains the true last will and testament of the therein named George J. Golden deceased, 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

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F. M. Brooks }

W. R. Brown

Ordinary

Final settlement of W. R. Brown Trustee for C. S. Golden records on Return Journal "F" Page 469. Sub 281-1897 Joseph S. Dan