

# William S. Salisbury's Will

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know or believe, and that I will will and truly execute the same in accordance with the laws of the State of Georgia, to help in God, I sworn to & subscribed before me this 6<sup>th</sup> day of May 1878

W. S. Salisbury

Muscogee Court of Ordinary  
May Term 1878

The foregoing instrument of writing admitted to Probate and Record as the last Will and testament of W. S. Salisbury, deceased.  
F. W. Brakes. Ordinary

# George M. Venable's Will

In the name of God, Amen

I, George M. Venable of the County of Muscogee and State of Georgia, being in feeble health, but of sound and disposing mind and memory, do make and publish this my last will and testament

Item 1<sup>st</sup> I give and bequeath all my estate, both real and personal to my wife Susan P. Venable, to have and to hold to her and her heirs forever

Item 2<sup>d</sup> I nominate my wife Susan P. Venable to be Executrix of this my last Will and direct that she shall not be required to give any bond as such I further direct, that my Executrix be excused from making any Inventory or Appraisement of my Estate, and from making any returns of her doings and doings as such to the Court of Ordinary, and from any accountability to any person whatever

Item 3<sup>d</sup> I give to my Executrix full power and authority to sell, mortgage or dispose of in any manner of any part, or the whole of my estate, either at private or public sale and upon such terms and conditions as she may deem proper

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal in the County of Muscogee, State of Georgia on this the 8<sup>th</sup> day of March 1876

George M. Venable (S)

Signed, sealed, declared, and published by the above said George M. Venable as his last will and testament in our presence, and we have hereunto set our hands as witnesses at the request of said George M. Venable and in his presence, and in the presence of each other, this the 8<sup>th</sup> day of March 1876

J. N. Chapman  
John McChaffey  
E. L. McEachern

## George M. Venable's Will

State of Georgia } Before me F. W. Brooks Ordinary in and for said  
Muscogee County } County, personally came William H. Brauman who upon  
being duly sworn depose and saith that he saw George M. Venable  
sign, publish and declare, as his last will and testament, the writing  
now produced in Court. That deponent signed the same as one  
of the subscribing witnesses at the request of the testator and in his  
presence. That John M. Chaffey and E. S. McEachern likewise signed  
the same as subscribing witnesses at the like request of the said testator  
and all signed in the presence of the testator and of each other.  
Deponent further says that at the time of publishing said Will  
the said testator was of sound and disposing mind and  
memory, and that he did it freely and voluntarily & without  
any undue influence or compulsion, so far as witness knows  
or believes

Sworn to & Subscribed before me } Wm H. Brauman  
this June 3<sup>rd</sup> 1878 }  
F. W. Brooks Ordinary } 3

Muscogee Court of Ordinary  
June Term 1878

The foregoing instrument of writing admitted to Probate & recorded  
as the last Will and testament of George M. Venable deceased  
F. W. Brooks  
Ordinary

## Atlanta H. Williams. Will Probated Aug 1878

State of Georgia Muscogee County

I Atlanta Helena Williams of the City of Columbus Muscogee County and  
State of Georgia, being of advanced age, and in feeble bodily health but of  
sound memory and disposing mind, and being desirous of settling my  
worldly affairs, and directing how my estate shall be disposed of after  
my decease, while I have strength and capacity so to do, do make this my last  
will and testament, hereby making null and void, and revoking all other  
wills and testaments, by me, made heretofore. And first I commit my  
soul to the God who gave it, and my body to the earth, to be buried as  
becomes my station in life, by my Executors hereinafter named, and  
as to my earthly estate, and all property real, personal and mixed of  
which I am and shall be seized and possessed, or to which I shall be  
entitled at the time of my decease, I devise, bequeath and dispose  
thereof in the manner following to wit,

Item 1<sup>st</sup> It is my will and desire that all my just debts and  
Funeral expenses shall be by Executors hereinafter named be paid out of  
my Estate as soon after my decease as shall by them be found convenient