

W. W. Edwards. Will

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State of Georgia

I, W. W. Edwards, a citizen of said State and County, being of sound mind and disposing memory, but in failing health, wishing to give directions concerning the disposition of my estate after my decease, do make, publish and declare the following to be my last will and testament,

- Item 1st The beneficiaries under this Will, being the children of Thomas, K. Napier Esq., and the said Thomas, K. having at present his life insured for the benefit of said children, in two policies, aggregating the sum of ten thousand dollars, I do will and direct that my Executor herein after named, do not suffer said policies of Insurance to become void for non payment of premiums, but in the event the said Thomas, K. shall become unable or fail to meet the premiums as they become due, that then my Executor shall out of my estate keep the said policies of Insurance in force.
- Item 2^d I do give and bequeath to Susie Napier, Elizabeth E. Napier, Thomas K. Napier, and Albert E. Napier, the children of Thomas, K. Napier and my beloved wife Mary L. Napier, the whole of my estate, real, personal, mixed and Chases in action, to be divided among them, share and share alike.
- Item 3^d The aforesaid beneficiaries being now minor children, I do direct that my Executor shall hold the share of each of said children until each shall become of age, and as each of said children may become of age, that then my Executor shall pay over to said child becoming of age, his respective share; provided, that should Susie Napier marry, before she comes of age, then her share shall be paid to her just as if she had become of age.
- Item 4th It is my will, and I do so direct, that in the event either of said children should die before he or she is entitled to have his or her share under this Will, that then, the share of the child so dying shall be divided equally between the other children then living.
- Item 5th Should it at any time in the judgement of my Executor become necessary so to do, he is hereby empowered and directed to appropriate so much of the income of my Estate to the support and maintenance of said children, or either one of them as shall be necessary.
- Item 6th The largest portion of my estate consists of securities and Chases in action, and having great confidence in the judgement and discretion of my Executor, I do hereby empower and authorize him to change such investments, and make such re investments and new investments as in his judgement will best subserve the interest of the beneficiaries under this will.
- Item 7th I do nominate and appoint my friend W. W. Epping Esq. as Executor of this my last will and testament.

In testimony whereof, I have here to set my hand and seal, this November 24th 1879.

W. W. Edwards. (L.S.)

signed, sealed, published and declared by W. W. Edwards to be his last will and testament in the presence of us, who at his request and in the presence of each other, signed the same, as attesting and subscribing witnesses

Wm. A. Little
J. D. Estes
R. M. Mulford

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Before me, Francis M. Brooks, Ordinary in and for said County, personally came William A. Little & R. M. Newford, who upon being duly sworn, depose and say, that they saw W. W. Edwards, then in life, sign, seal, publish and declare 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 J. D. Estes 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 freely and voluntarily and without any undue influence or compulsion.

Shewn to & Subscribed before me }
this 6th day of March 1882 }
F. M. Brooks, Ordinary }

W^m A. Little
R. M. Newford

Georgia Muscogee County

I Henry H. Epping do solemnly swear, that this writing contains the true last will and testament of the therein named W. W. Edwards 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

Shewn to & Subscribed before me }
this 6th day of March 1882 }
F. M. Brooks, Ordinary }

H. H. Epping

Muscogee Court of Ordinary
March Term 1882

The foregoing instrument of writing probated in Common form upon the affidavit of William A. Little and R. M. Newford two of the subscribing witnesses, and ordered to be admitted to record as the last will and testament of the therein named W. W. Edwards deceased.

F. M. Brooks
Ordinary