

Silas Pickard's Will contd.

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may present when Silas Pickard late of said County executed published & declared the foregoing writing to be his last will and testament that said Silas Pickard signed said writing in presence of deponent & James Mc Loye & W. F. Snellings who at the request of said Pickard signed their names in the presence of each other & of said testator as witnesses to said writing deponent further says that at the time of executing said will said testator was of sound mind & memory and that so far as witness knows or believes he did it fully of his own accord without any undue influence or compulsion

Sworn to & subscribed before me
this 28th day of April 1866 Geo Johnson
Ordinary

Georgia Muscogee County

Court of Ordinary May Term 1866

The within writing admitted to record as the last will of Silas Pickard deceased - see minutes Page 164 -
May 7th 1866 Geo Johnson Ordinary

James Comer's Will

The State of Georgia } Know all men by these
County of Muscogee } presents that I James Comer
of the State of Georgia & County of Muscogee being of
sound & disposing mind & memory - blessed be Almighty
God for the same - do ordain publish and declare this
instrument of writing to be my last will & testament

Item 1 I give & bequeath the Southern Baptist Board for Foreign Missions located at Richmond Virginia the sum of One thousand dollars to be appropriated by said Board as they in their discretion may deem best for the cause of Christianity in Foreign lands

Item 2 I give & bequeath to the Alabama State Convention located at Marion Alabama the sum of one thousand dollars to be appropriated by said convention as their judgment may direct in promoting religious instruction among the slave population of the State of Alabama

Item 3 I give & bequeath to the Southern Baptist Board for Home Missions the sum of one thousand dollars to be appropriated by said Board as they in their discretion may deem best for the promotion of Christianity among the Indian tribes throughout the States & Territories of the United States

Item 4 For the natural love & affection I have & bear to my own Brother Marcus H. Comer I give & bequeath to him the sum of three thousand dollars and to his children at his death

Item 5 For the love & affection I have & bear to Chauncey H. Basch a brother of my wife I give & bequeath to him Five Hundred Dollars

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Item 6 For the affection I have & bear to Elizabeth B. Comer my wife I give & bequeath the sum of \$1000 to her

Item 7 All the remainder of my estate real & personal of every nature, kind & description not disposed of in the six preceding items I give & bequeath to my well beloved wife Laura B. Comer for ever in fee simple Should the legality of our marriage alliance or relation from any cause ever be disputed or contested in such event I now herein affirm & declare that for the love & affection I have & bear to her whom I now call my wife Laura B. Comer I give & bequeath to her as my well beloved friend Laura B. wholly independent of our marriage all my estate real & personal of every nature kind & description not disposed of in the six preceding items the same to be independent of any other marriage relation that ever has existed or ever may hereafter exist to be subject to her own control for ever in fee simple

Item 8 I nominate & appoint my well beloved wife Laura B. Comer (or her whom I esteem my wife legally & rightfully) the sole executrix of this my last will & testament

In testimony whereof I James Comer the testator have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this the thirty first day of August Anno Domini One Thousand & Eighty Eight

James Comer (Seal)

Signed sealed published & delivered in presence of us who signed the same as witnesses in the presence of the testator and in the presence of each other on the day & year therein above written

1 William H. Robinson
2 A. Stanford
3 Geo P. Manley
4 W. G. Clunans

Codicil

Georgia Muscogee County I James Comer of the State & County aforesaid being of sound disposing mind & memory do make this codicil to my last will and testament dated the thirty first day of August 1858

Item Whereas I have by a deed of conveyance dated & executed on the 13th day of March 1860 given & granted to my beloved wife Laura B. Comer my interest in the land & improvements thereon on which we now reside in this County and one undivided half of all the rest of my property both real & personal Now it is my will & desire that the said deed of conveyance shall not be considered as an ademption of the legacy & bequest to the said Laura B. Comer in said will but that said will shall remain good & valid as to the legacies therein made & contained and not affected by said deed of conveyance except so far as to the property contained in it and that the legacies bequeathed in said will to religious associations and to other persons besides the said Laura B. Comer shall be paid out of any undivided of my property and after payment of them the residue shall go to & belong to the said Laura B. Comer as there in provided

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In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the 3^d day of April 1860

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Signed sealed published and delivered in presence of us who signed the same as witnesses in the presence of the testator & in the presence of each other the day & year therein above written

1 W A Stanford

2 W A James

3 W G Clemons

Georgia Muscogee County

Court of Ordinary December Term 1864

The foregoing will & codicil proved in solemn form & admitted to record from which judgment on appeal was taken to Superior Court - see minutes pages 85 & 86

June Term Court of Ordinary 1866

The said will & codicil returned from Superior Court with judgment of the Ordinary affirmed - see minutes - Pages 171 & 172 Geo Johnson Ordinary

Georgia

I D Lancia B Comer do solemnly swear that the annexed writing contains the true last will of the therein named James Comer deceased so far as I know or believe and that I will well & truly execute the same in accordance with the laws of this State so help me God Sworn to & subscribed before me this 12th day of June 1866 Lancia B Comer Geo Johnson Ordinary

Patrick Mc Mahan's Nuncupative Will

To all whom it may concern - Whereas on the 19th day of July in the year of our Lord Eighteen hundred & sixty six the undersigned being at the boarding house of Patrick Mc Mahan in the city of Columbus in the State of Georgia where the said Patrick was then sick of which sickness he died on the same day and the said Patrick Mc Mahan did then & there call the attention of the subscribers to what he was then about to say concerning his worldly goods & effects the same being his will for the disposition thereof where he went on to say in substance that he wished James O'Connor & John Dannelly to act as his Executors and that he wished his said Executors to sell his cotton and other little effects and out of the proceeds thereof to pay his debts and the remainder thereof to be given to his only child James Mc Mahan

In testimony whereof we have hereunto subscribed our names this 23rd day of July 1866

James Lynch
Patrick Kelly
Cornelius J. Clonin