

Thomas L Williams' Will

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In the name of God Amen
I Thomas L Williams of the State & County aforesaid being fully cognizant of my mortality and being desirous before I go hence to dispose of my worldly estate by will do therefore this my last will & testament hereby revoking all others hitherto made by me

Item 1st I desire and direct that my body be carried to Augusta Ga and buried in my plat of ground in the Cemetery of said City in a decent and Christian like manner suitable to my circumstances in life My soul I trust shall return to rest with God who gave it as I hope for eternal life through the merits & atonement of the Blessed Lord & Saviour Jesus Christ

Item 2nd After my death I desire & direct that all my just debts be paid without delay by my Executor hereinafter named & appointed and for that purpose I desire & direct my Executor to sell all of my Estate personal & real as soon as practicable and convert them into cash

Item 3rd I give & bequeath to my wife Ella J Williams the sum of five hundred dollars to be first paid out of the balance of the cash my Executor may have after paying my debts

Item 4th After the payment of the five hundred (dollars) to my wife Ella J Williams I desire & direct that my Executor should pay my friend Mary the sum of fifty dollars for the kindness & attention she has shown me during my present illness out of the balance he may have on hand

Item 5th After the aforesaid payments if there is any balance left in the hands of my Executor I desire & direct him to pay my niece Clara J Staller the sum of two hundred dollars

Item 6th After the aforesaid payments if there is any balance left in the hands of my Executor I desire & direct him to pay to my divorced wife Catherine Clegg Wm Thomas L Williams Jr John Wesley Williams and Julia Merriam Williams the sum of one hundred dollars each

Item 7th After the aforesaid payments if there is any balance left in the hands of my Executor I desire & direct him to pay to the Mayor & City Council of Augusta the sum of two hundred dollars upon their giving their obligation & bond to keep in order the plat of ground I own in the cemetery of said city

Item 8th The balance if any in the hands of my Executor I give and bequeath to my wife

Item 9th I hereby constitute & appoint my friend Gigsby & Thomas Jr Executor of this my last will & testament this sixth day of November 1867

Thomas L Williams (Sd)

Signed sealed delivered & published by Thomas L Williams as his last will & testament in the presence of

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us the subscribers who subscribed our names herewith the presence of said testator (at his special instance & request) and of each other this November 6th 1867

E Castle Batstone
Frank B Chandler
Elijah Miggins
J N De Votie

Georgia Muscogee County

Ordinary's Office November 12th 1867

An vacation comes Grigsby & Thomas Jr the Executor therein named & proponent the foregoing writing as the last will of Thomas L Williams deceased late of said County and J N De Votie one of the subscribing witnesses to said writing being present & duly sworn on oath says that he was present when said instrument was executed & published by said Thomas L Williams as his last will and that he subscribed the same in presence of deponent E Castle Batstone, Frank B Chandler & Elijah Miggins and that said witness subscribed their names thereto in the presence of said testator & of each other Deponent further says that at the time of executing said writing said Williams was of sound & disposing mind and memory and that so far as deponent knows or believes he did it freely of his own accord without any undue influence or compulsion

J N De Votie

Sworn to & subscribed before me

This 12th day of November 1867

pro Johnson Ordinary

Georgia

Muscogee County

3 Court of Ordinary for said County

December Term 1867

The foregoing instrument admitted to record as the last will of Thomas L Williams dec^d - see minutes page 297 - December 2^d 1867

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3 I Grigsby & Thomas Jr do solemnly swear that this writing contains the true last will of Thomas L Williams 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

3 Grigsby & Thomas Jr

December 12th 1867 pro Johnson Ordinary