

Georgia
 Newton County In the name of God Amen I Robert Mathews
 being weak in body but of sound disposing mind
 calling to mind the shortness of life and certainty of death and be-
 -ing desirous to dispose of my worldly goods which it has pleased
 God to best me with to constitute and appoint this my last
 will & testament that is to say

1st I desire that my body be buried in a decent and Chris-
 -tian like manner the expenses of which will be paid out
 of my estate as well as all other expenses incurred by my
 last sickness

Second. I do will and give unto my beloved friend
 Alexander Johnson in consideration of his attention and care
 towards me during my long protracted affliction and suf-
 -fering the balance of my estate intire after paying the ex-
 -penses above named which consists in about six hundred
 dollars ready money together with one note of hand made
 payable to Robert Mathews or bearer for three hundred dollars
 given on the twenty seventh day of February one thousand eight
 hundred & forty six by Stephen Day and due the first
 day of January thence after also a Mortgage which secures
 the payment of said note to Robert Mathews given by
 Stephen Day and attested by William Simmons and James
 N. A. Shields bearing equal date with the aforesaid note
 which Mortgage is on a certain Negro boy named Dick about
 thirteen years old

And thus I do appoint and constitute Alexander
 Johnson my sole Executor to carry out and execute this my
 last & Testament. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set
 my hand this 14th day of April 1847

George W. Johnson
 David E. White S. P. Robert Mathews

Georgia } Inferior Court for Ordinary purposes
 Newton County } May 5th 1847

Personally appeared in open Court George
 W. Johnson to whom said Court do hereby return do forth
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I Smith that they saw Robert. Mathas sign and publish and
declare the within instrument to be & contain his last
Will and Testament, and that he was of sound disposing
mind & memory at the time of signing the same - that
he executed the same freely & without compulsion so
far as we know & that we signed the same as witnesses
in the presence of the testator & in the presence of each
other

Sworn to & subscribed
in open Court
Wm D. Luskie atty.

J. W. Johnson
David I. White

Recorded May 1847

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