

In the name of Jesus Christ I John M. Mallins of said State
 Pickens County, being of advanced age
 and knowing that I must shortly depart this life deem
 it right and proper that I should make a disposition
 of what little property I own I do therefore make this
 my last will and Testament hereby revoking and
 canceling all others heretofore made by me
 Item 1st

I desire that my body be buried in a decent
 Christian like manner my soul I trust will return to
 rest with God who gave it as I trust for salvation
 alone through the instrument of Jesus Christ
 Item 2nd

I give devise and bequeath to my three daughters
 Margaret A Mountain Mary C Mallins and Martha
 J Mallins any land to wit 40 Acres more or less of
 Lot of land No 127 in 12th District and 2^d Section being
 that portion of said lot wherein I now reside which
 is marked by metes and bounds, for and during their
 natural lives and if either one should die then her
 portion to vest in the other two living and upon the
 death of two of them then their portion to vest in
 the one living it being my intention that the land
 shall remain in the one living until her
 natural death and upon the death of all three
 of them to be sold and equally divided
 amongst my children and representatives of my
 children;

Item 3rd I give bequeath and devise
 to my three remarried daughters to wit
 Margaret A Mountain Mary C Mallins and
 Martha J. Mallins all of my property of every
 description to wit Two Cows Hogs Sheep
 Currin Dodder oak eat oats rye Sloughs

Household goods & Kitchenware.

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of very description together with farming Tools
money notes & accounts all to go, West and pass to
each with the same condition and restriction
as the land named in the 2nd item of this
will. My reason for giving my little property
to my three daughters as above is that they have
taken care of me in my old age and are
unable to live without the little home
while my other children and grand
children can.

Witness 4th

I do hereby constitute and
appoint my two Sons William H. Mallins
and Alfred M. Mallins Executors of this
my last will and testament
Witness my hand and Seal this 30th day of
August 1873 John M. Mallins

Signed Sealed declared and published by
John M. Mallins as his last will and Testament
in our presence who witnessed the same at his
reside instance and request and in the
presence of each other this 30th day of August
1873

John W. Howell
A. M. Davis
E. C. Dewart

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T. Pickett

Ordinary