

Book R.
Will

State of Georgia In the name of God Amen
Polk County I Alexander R. Brooks of said State and County being of advanced age
but of sound and disposing mind and memory and deeming it right and proper
both as to myself and family to make a disposition of the property with which a kind
Providence has blessed me while in life and able so to do hereby revoking all other
wills heretofore made by me

Item 1st I desire and direct that after my death that my body be Buried in a decent and Christian
like manner my soul I trust shall return to meet with God who gave it.

Item 2nd I desire and direct that all my just debts, if any, at my death be paid as early as possible
by my Executors and Executors hereinafter named.

Item 3rd I desire and direct and hereby bequeath to my wife Anna B. Brooks all my property and effects of
every kind for her and my minor childrens joint use and benefit until my youngest child
shall arrive to twenty one years of age or during the widowhood of my said wife and in
case that my wife should marry before my youngest child arrives to twenty one years
then and in that event I direct that my said Property be kept together as before stated and to
be managed by my Executors for the use of my minor children during their minority
my wife to have the management of running my farm and other matters that she may be able
to attend to, but my other Executors to be principals and she to be governed by direction of
my other Executors

Item 4th It is my will and desire that when my youngest child shall arrive to the age of twenty
one years that all my property be sold and the Proceeds thereof equally divided between
my wife and all my children, if she shall remain single and be then living share and
share alike, except my sons Robert L. Brooks and William H. Brooks whom I direct
to have only twenty five Dollars each showing showing heretofore advanced to them
their freedom and maintenance which will make them equal with the Balance of my
children. I also direct that my daughter Francis A. Ward account to my Estate
out of her share for the sum of One hundred and fifty Dollars which I have heretofore
advanced to her and I also direct that my son John L. Brooks account to my Estate
out of his share for the sum of two hundred Dollars which I have heretofore advanced
to him

Item 5th I hereby Ordain Constitute and appoint my beloved wife Anna B. Brooks Executors
and my friend John L. Ward and my son John L. Brooks Executors of this my
last will and testament this the 25th day of May 1885

Signed declared and Published by Alexander R. Brooks as his last will and testament
in the presence of us the Subscribing witnesses who subscribed our names hereto in the presence
of said testator at his instance and request and of each other he signing in our presence
and we signing in his presence this the 25th day of May 1885

A. R. Brooks
A. D. Hogg
M. L. Galloway
R. R. Thompson

Georgia Polk County We M. L. Galloway and R. R. Thompson do swear that we as well as M. L. Galloway and
the within paper as his last will and testament that we subscribed the same
as witnesses thereto at the special instance and request of the said A. R. Brooks and
in his presence as did also M. L. Galloway and R. R. Thompson that the said A. R. Brooks
signed the same freely and voluntarily and was at the time of such signing
of sound and disposing mind and memory

M. L. Galloway
R. R. Thompson

Given to and Subscribed before me
this the 7th day of September 1885
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Certs A.R.
will

Upon the foregoing affidavit of A. H. Lebb & A. H. Blegg, two of the Subscribing witnesses
to the foregoing and within will of A. R. Brooks Deceased. It is Ordered by the Court that said
will be admitted to Record as Satisfactorily Proven in Common Form And it is further Ordered
that letters testamentary issue to John L. Brooks John L. Wood and also Mary J. Brooks The Executors
named in said will upon them taking and subscribing the oath required by law
this September 7th 1885
Jas. Brewer Clerk

Georgia We John L. Brooks and Do solemnly swear that
Polk County this writing contains the true last will of the within named A. R. Brooks Deceased
So far as we know or believe and that we will well and truly execute the
same in accordance with the laws of this State So help us God
Shorn to & Subscribed before me this the 7th day
of September 1885 J. L. Brooks J. Le Brooks
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