

October 23rd 1869.

Georgia Polk County I James Franklin Swanson of the County and State aforesaid being weak in body but of sound mind and judgement, do make this my last will and testament.

Item 1st It is my will that as soon after my death as practicable all my just debts shall be paid & leave to the discretion of my executor the settlement of the claim held against me by John Mason of Madison Co. feeling that the whole amount of it is not legally due.

Item 2nd I give after the payment of my just debts my entire property real and personal to my beloved wife Amelia C. Swanson to have, to use, and to dispose of as she may see proper.

Item 3rd I hereby appoint my wife Amelia C. Swanson, the executrix of this my last will and testament with full power to execute my wishes as herein expressed. It is also my wish and request that my brother-in-law Samus B. Stone and my friends Abner Darden and Charles C. Mills assist my wife by giving her any needed advice concerning the execution of this will.

James Franklin Swanson

Signed and sealed in presence of Jno. C. Waddell, Charles B. Brien, Mauris McBrison

Georgia Polk County I Amelia C. Swanson do solemnly swear that the foregoing writing contains the true last will and testament of James F. Swanson so far as I know or believe, and that I will well and truly execute the same by paying first the debts and then the legacies contained in said will as far as his goods and chattels will thereunto extend and the law charge me, and that I will make a true and perfect inventory of all such goods and chattels and a just return thereof when thereunto required so help me God.

Amelia C. Swanson

Done & subscribed in open Court Feb^{ry} 1869. S. J. Borders Clerk
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