

J. B. Eddings will

At the under signed being present at the last sickness of James B. Eddings and when he was fully sensible of his approaching death being in his right mind, and of which sickness he died, were called upon by him to hear and bear witness to the disposition he wished made of his property after his death. He declare what follows to be his last will in that regard, as he expressed it to us which declaration he made to us on the 18th day of August 1857 in his own house where he died.

1st He wished all his debts paid. But saved money and security stable first.

2nd After the payment of his debts he wished all his property to go to his wife & child. & if there should be a child born after his death the said Thomas child was to come in for an equal share with his wife & the child now in being.

3rd He wished his wife Adelaide Allen Eddings to have the following negroes to wit Francis & her children Ellen & John W. breast and his wife Rachel & their children Ransom & Allen Alor Andrews and further J. Thomas Jones would part with Hannah and her children he wished his Executors to purchase them for his wife Adelaide Allen.

4th He wished his wife to keep the money for his daughter Mary Eddings until she should be old enough to use it.

5th He wished George W. Williams of York District South Carolina Assisted by Thomas McEnroe of Polk County Georgia to act as his Executors. Witness our hands this 23rd day of August 1857. William B. McElroy

W. B. Russell

J. P. Atwood

M. A. Atwood

Georgia Polk County. I personally came into open court this the 1st day of September 1857. William B. McElroy Wm. J. P. Russell & J. P. Atwood and being duly sworn testified that the above and foregoing instrument was shown by J. B. Eddings deceased at his own house on his death bed that he was of sound and disposing mind and memory and that he made and spoke the same freely and voluntarily in substance and desired us to take notice as it was his will.

Wilson B. McElroy

Shown to and subscribed before me in open court.

W. J. P. Russell

Sept 1st 1857 Stephen A. Borders Ordinary

J. P. Atwood

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