

Exhibit

The Last Will & Testament of Joel Smith

Georgia
Putnam County
In the name of God Amen
I Joel Smith being weak of body but
perfect in mind & memory and calling to mind that it is
appointed for all men to die do make this Instrument
my Last will & testament. In the first place I commend
my body to be buried in a decent Christian like
manner. I Give & bequeath to my beloved wife Nancy
my negro girl Eady & a bed & furniture
3rdly. I Give & bequeath to my beloved Son John P. Smith
my negro man Hawthell and also a bed & furniture
the said negro man to be hired year after year until my
said Son John P. Smith becomes of lawful age at which
time said negro with the Emoluments to be delivered to my
said Son. I further wish & recommend to my
Executors to hire the said negro man by private or public
hiring as he may think will best. I wish the interest
of my said Son and to have the money on interest until
the time of giving up the same and I further wish that my Ex-
ecutors would make such disbursements out of such moneys as may arise from
the hire of said negro as he may think proper & necessary for the
support & Education of my said Son. My land together
with all my other effects (such as has not before been mentioned)
I wish to be sold & the money arising therefrom to go to
the payment of my just debts. The same to be sold at public
outcry and Credit of Twelve months. And I do hereby nominate
and appoint my Trusty friend Asa Reid my Executor &
this my last will & Testament and the same to be construed in no
other way than in its plain and true light & meaning & Witness
my hand & Seal this 25th April 1822.

Joel Smith

Signed and duly Executed
in presence of us
David Meager
Charles Shaggs
George

Putnam County
Subscribing Witnesses to the said Will
July 1822
The within will duly proven and
counted by Charles Shaggs & David Meager

C. Pendleton C. C. &c