

Georgia
Randolph County In the name of God Amen. I, Edward Bryan of the County of Randolph
State of Georgia (viz) on the thirtieth day of May A.D. one thousand eight hundred & thirty eight - being of sound mind and disposing memory after committing my body to my family to dispose of by them they think proper & bequeathing my soul to God who gave it, I do give & bequeath unto my beloved Wife Edith Bryan during her natural life or widowhood the following property (viz) six Negroes Mathew & his Wife Violet Old Amy Alsey & her two children young Amy & Fred the two Bay Mares one bedstead & furniture, side board & bureau & large & six sitting chairs dining table & clock & the old barouche & after her decease or end of her widowhood then Mathew & his Wife Violet to have the property of my eldest son Loved Bryan & Old Amy to become the property of my youngest son David C. Bryan and Alsey & her two children young Amy & Fred to become the property of my daughter Mary - Reserving the increase further of the said Alsey from this time together with the nest which has been given her to my Wife Edith Bryan after her decease &c. I wish Equally divided between all my children and may dispose of it at her pleasure I do to Sarah L. Evans my eldest daughter and bequeath the following Negroes (viz) Sampson, Judy, Saman her child Ellen & Moses Do. Margareta & Wyche I give & bequeath to her all the demands I hold against her husband George Wyche is the amount of Two Thousand & she being my second daughter - and to Charity Wheattham & the lawful heirs of her son my third daughter I give & bequeath to her & them alone the following Negroes (viz) Jennie and her two children Sam & Ginny - To Mary I reserve my fourth daughter I give & bequeath the following Negroes (viz) Cromwell & his Wife Betty - to Edith Brown my fifth daughter I give and bequeath the following Negroes (viz) Billy & her three children Howard Candis & Polacy Do Ann Bryan my sixth daughter I give & bequeath the following property & Negroes (viz) Two hundred & fifty dollars in cash one large chest & trunk one bedstead & furniture & six Negroes old Ginny Edmond Square Molly Harriet & Nancy - To George W. R. Walter my seventh daughter I give and bequeath the same amount of property as to my daughter Ann and to the following Negroes (viz) Gabe Beeth & her child and Lewis - To Caroline Walter my eighth & youngest daughter I give & bequeath the following Negroes (viz) Mully Isaacman & his child - To Loved Bryan my eldest son I give and bequeath an equal share of all the property that may be sold after my decease & do not save or bequeath in this life - To Meadham R. Bryan my second son the same share of all the property that may be sold after my decease & do not save or bequeath in this life - To David C. Bryan my youngest and last son the share of property I give and bequeath unto him as unto Loved Bryan my eldest son.

and bequeath the following property and Negroes (Viz) a part of
which has been already deeded to him by me at a previous date
to wit Negroes Alfred & his Wife andally & her child Jack Tom Rose &
son Lousin Jim Henry young Betty Emma Prince & Charles the yellow
boy fully Black home Rockingham the third part of the Jack fellowship
the two thirds being the property of I & N.R. Bryan also the Blacksmith Tools
my New Road Wagon & Gear the balance of the chains one bedstead
furniture and all the cattle & Hogs which he claims at this time
given to him by me and all my Lands being in this State in the County
of Montgomery I wish sold together with all the Negroes & Stock &
property of any Description not given in this my Last Will & Testament
sold after my decease & the profits Equally divided amongst all
my children heirs and after all my Just debts are paid which are few
or none I wish all my Ready Cash which I have together with all the
Notes & accounts which are due me collected to be also Equally divided
between my heirs And I do hereby Cancel and Revoke all wills or
parts of Wills which I may have made at any other ^{& former} time the Deeds of
Gift & bills of Sale which I have heretofore given some of my
children Only standing good & valid I further Give unto my Wife
Edith Bryan the same as the above was given five fully young
Cows & Calves - And I do hereby appoint my three sons my
Lawful Executors Lovell Meadham R & David C Bryan to this my
Last Will & Testament

Signed Sealed & Done the day and date first above Written
in the presence of

Attest James Butler

Peter Shell

Thomas Coram, J.P.

Clement, Bryan, *Edith*

Georgia Randolph County

May Term of the Court for 1839
Sitting for Ordinary purposes -

In Open Court came James Butler Thomas Coram & Peter
Shell who being sworn said on oath that each of them did
sign the within Last Will & Testament of the said D. Bryan

and then swore that they also saw him the D. Bryan sign
& seal the same the day & date of the said within Last will
& Testament Sworn to in Open Court this 5th day of May
1839

G. W. Harrison, J.P.

Thomas Coram
James Butler
Peter Shell

Georgia Randolph County Court of Ordinary May Term 1839
the within Last Will & Testament of Clement
Bryan having been duly proven at this Regular Term in Open Court
upon the Oaths of Thomas Goreum James Bullock & Peter Shell
Ordered that the same be admitted to Record
Test James Buchanan Clerk

we do solemnly swear that this Writing contains the true Last Will
the within named Clement Bryan bequeathed so far as we know &
believe and that we will well & truly execute the same by
first the Debts and then the Legacies contained in said Will as
in ~~the same~~ his goods and Chattels will thereunto extend and
Law charge us and that we will make a true and perfect
Inventory of all such goods & Chattels
sworn to and subscribed before me
May Sixth Eighteen Hundred & thirty Nine
James Buchanan C. C. C.

So help us God
L Bryan
David C. Bryan