

I, the undersigned, people to whom their may come
know ye that I John Hodgen of Richman County
in the State of Georgia being sick in body but of
sound disposing mind and memory and calling to
mind that the mortality of my body knowing that
it is appointed for all men one to die and being
desirous of settling my outward affairs do make
and Confirm this to be my last Will and Testament
in manner and form following Viz

First of all my Will and Desire is that my funeral
expences be discharged together with all my just
debts at the discretion of my Executors hereⁱⁿ after named

I give and bequeath to my son William Hodgen that
tract of land he now lives on supposed to contain
one hundred and fifty acres be the same more or
less adjoining lands of John Landrum on the west-
ward and to extend to the upper corner of my old survey
to be enjoyed by him his Heirs and assigns forever
I give and bequeath to my son Stephen Hodgen
two hundred acres of land adjoining his brothers
above mentioned including all the remainder part
of my new survey on that side and what is lack-
ing of the above mentioned quantity of two
hundred acres to be made up out of the upper
part of my old survey adjoining to be enjoyed
by him or assigns forever

I give and bequeath to my son Robert Hodgen
his Heirs and assigns forever one hundred
acres of land of the north west side adjoining stubbs

Be Lewis Gardner Esquire of Probate for the County
of Richmond personally appeared Samuel Williams
Abraham Johnson and James Peere being three
of the subscribing witnesses to the above Will and
Testament of John Hodgen late of the County
aforesaid deceased and being duly and lawfully
qualified according to Law saith that they were
personally present and saw the Testator sign
seal pronounce and Declare the same to be
and contain his last Will and Testament and that
he was of sound disposing mind and memory
according to the best of their knowledge and
belief and that they signed their names as
witnesses to the said Will in the presence of
the Testator and in each others presence
Qualifies before me the) Daniel Williams
ninth month of December in) Abraham Johnson
the year of our Lord One) James Peere
thousand seven hundred) mark
and eighty nine

Lewis Gardner R. P.

land and the above mentioned William Hodgen

I give and bequeath to my son John Hodgen all the remainder of my lands whereon I now live together with the building and improvements thereunto belonging to him his heirs and assigns forever.

I give and bequeath to my two Daughters, namely Lydia and Hannah Hodgen each of them a likely cow and calf to be paid to them in twelve months after my Decease.

All the remainder of my Estate of what kind soever it be I give and bequeath to my Loving Wife Mary during her Widowhood but if she should Marry after my decease my Will is she shall have a Riding Cusion and Saddle over and above her Dowry or in other terms what she brought into the Estate; all the remainder to fall into the hands of my above named son John Hodgen - or if he should Die; to be Equally Divided among his Surviving Brothers above mentioned.

And Lastly I make ordain constitute and appoint my Trusty Friend Abraham Johnston of the County and State aforesaid and my Loving son William Hodgen Executors of this my Will hereby Ratifying and Confirming this and no other to be my last Will and Testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this seventeenth day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty nine 1789

Signed sealed and Acknowledged John Hodgen

Witness
Abraham Johnston

James Jackson August 1st 1801 for the County
of Richmond personally appeared Samuel Williams
Abraham Johnson and James Pierce being three
of the subscribing witnesses to the above Will and
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belief and that they signed their names as
witnesses to the said Will in the presence of
the Testator and in each others presence
Testified before me the) Samuel Williams
on the 10th of December M) Abraham Johnson
the year of our Lord One) James Pierce
thousand seven hundred) mark
and eighty nine

Lewis B. Jones P.P.