

Henry Stephens Will

I Henry Stephens of the County of Rockdale and State of Georgia Make this My last will I give devise and bequeath My Estate and property Real and personal as follows that is to say

1st I give devise and bequeath to My wife Mahala Stephens all My property, both Real and personal to her use during her natural life Out of the Proceeds of Said property I devise that My wife & My Just

2^d I desire that after the death of My wife Mahala Stephens my property be sold and equally divided between all My Children namely - Nancy Sumner Mary Ann Stephens Elias Jefferson Stephens Martha E. Stephens Minnie Twombly & Thomas Stephens

3rd I Appoint My wife Mahala Stephens Executor of this My Will during her life and after the death of My wife I desire that My son Elias Jefferson Stephens shall sell and divide My Estate Equally among My Children also mentioned

In witness whereof I have Signed Sealed and Published and declared this instrument as My Will at My home in Rockdale County

January the 17th 1877

Henry Stephens

The said Henry Stephens on the 17th day of January at his home in Rockdale County signed and sealed this instrument and published and declared the same as and for his last will and we at his request and in his presence and in the presence of each other here be sworn to witness our names as subscribing witnesses

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Wm. Sumner
J. A. Hemmick

State of Georgia
Rockdale County

It is solemnly Sworn that this
writing contains the true last will and Testa-
ment of the within named Henry Stevens
Deceased 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
charges me and that I will make a true
and perfect inventory of all said goods
and Chattels at which the God

Sworn to before me
this March 15th 1871
C. Newman
Ordinary

Hen
Mahala X Stevens
Mark