

Wesley C. Williams

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State of Georgia }
Rockdale County } In the Name of God Amen

I, Wesley C. Williams of said State and County being of advanced age and knowing that I must shortly depart this life deem it right and proper both as respects my family and myself that I should make a disposition of the property with which a kind Providence has blessed me do therefore make this my last will and testament here by revoking all others heretofore made by me

Item 1st I desire and direct that my body be buried in a decent and Christian like manner suitable to my circumstances and Condition in life My Soul I trust shall Return to God who gave it in whom I have believed for many years trusting that I shall realize its happiness in the world to come

Item 2nd I desire and wish that all my just debt be paid without delay of whatsoever Character they be by my Executor or hereinafter appointed

Item 3rd My will and desire is that after my death debts are all paid off that my beloved wife M. P. Williams have Maintain and keep all the balance of my effects of whatever kind it may be during her natural life or widowhood and that she give my Two youngest Boys (to wit) J. C. & M. L. Williams one year schooling to be paid out of my effects at the death or marriage of my wife M. P. Williams or even before her death or marriage My daughter L. A. Williams or my son M. R. Williams should either become of legal of legal age or marry My desire is that my wife give off to either of them what she can spare M. L. Not to give beyond five hundred dollars in money and one horse valued at Eighty dollars and that she be allowed to give to Susannah A. Williams in the event of her marriage the amount of five hundred

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Dollars and Cow & Calf & Bed and also that
be allowed to give of to Josephine on
account of his misfortunes in health seven hundred
Dollars. My will is to make the three younger
Children just normal (to wit) Susanah A. &
J. C. and M. A. an amount equal with
the older Children that have married off
and left me. And in the event that my
wife will not be able to give the Amounts Spec-
ified above to these three named during her
lifetime or widowhood My desire is that the
Amount be made up before any other division
takes place of the amount given as above
mentioned if these three Children are made up
equal with the older Children during my
wife lifetime then My desire is that all
my effects be sold and an equal division
be made between all my Children giving my
wife a child's part in the event of her marrying
again to one other Man and should the
younger Children not be made equal that it be
be done at her death or Marriage and then an
equal division as specified above be give to each one

Item 4th { I hereby constitute and appoint my son
John M. Williams Executor of this my last will
and Testament this 26th day of November 1877
Wesley L. Williams {80}
mark

Signed, Sealed, Declared and Published by Wesley
L. Williams as his last Will and Testament in
the presence of us the subscribers who subscribed our
Names hereto in the presence of said Testator at his
instance and request this 26th day of November 1877
G. H. Christian
Richard ^{his} Hawkins
G. W. Hawkins

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Personally Came into the
Court of Ordinary of Said County Presby
H. Christian one of the Subscribing witnesses
to this will who being duly sworn depose and
Sath that he saw Wesley C. Williams sign and
Publish the within and purporting as his last will
and testament while of Sound and disposing
Mind and Memory and that deponent signed
the same as a witness in the presence of Testator
And at his Special Request and instance
and that he saw Richard Huchins sign
the same by making his Mark and by W. Huchins
sign the same as witness and that the
same was executed freely and voluntarily
by Testator on the Twentieth day of November 1877

Sworn to & Subscribed

Before me the 11th day of March 1878 }
W. Seeman,
(Ordinary)

Presby C. Christian

State of Georgia
Rockdale County

I do Solemnly Swear that
this writing contains the true last will and
testament of the within named Wesley C.
Williams I do so swear 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 there
unto Extend and the law Charges me and that I will
make a true and perfect inventory of all such
goods and Chattels So help me God

Sworn to before me

March 4 1878

A. Seaman

Ordinary

W. C. Williams