

# W. J. Hudson's Will

Rockdale County, Georgia Wills 1870-1916

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State of Georgia

Rockdale County, Georgia

I, W. J. Hudson of said State and County  
being of weak Body but of sound and disposing  
Mind and Memory knowing that I must in the order  
of Nature depart this life soon it right and proper  
both as respects my family and my self that I should a  
Disposition of the property with which a kind Providence  
has blessed me.

I do therefore make this my last will and  
Testament hereby reciting and accounting all  
Others by me had before made

First = 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 rest with God who  
gave it as I hope for salvation through the merits  
and atonement of the blessed Saviour and name  
our Jesus Christ

Secondly = I desire and direct that all my just  
debts be paid as soon as my Estate can be got  
in a proper Condition for that purpose by my  
Executor hereinafter named and appointed

Thirdly = I give and bequeath and devise to my  
beloved wife Martha J. Hudson during her natural  
life or widowhood and at her death to my children  
Thirty Acres More or less of Land number (236)  
Two hundred and thirty six in the Sixteenth Dist  
ict of originally Henry now Rockdale County  
lying on the East side of the Georgia Rail Road  
and fully described in a Deed made to me by John  
H. Dunbar on the Thirteenth day of November  
Eighteen hundred and sixty nine

I also give bequeath and devise in like manner

to My wife during her life or widowhood and at her  
Death to My Children all my household furniture  
furniture and all of my personal and perishable property  
of what ever Nature all of said personal property to be  
Kept by My wife for her and our Children use and  
if She thinks it necessary to exchange or sell said personal  
property and remit the proceeds thereof in such  
other property as She or they may think for their best  
interest - The Mentioned and described in this  
the Third Item of My Will I desire to be in lieu  
of Power to My wife and a Year Support to her  
and our Children.

Fourthly = I desire that the Land and other  
property Mentioned in the Third Item of this  
My last will and Testament be for the use  
and support of My wife and Children during  
their life or widowhood of My wife and after  
said time till all My Children become twenty  
one Years of age

Fifthly = " I desire and request that My beloved  
Son Robert S. Hudson on account of his Impa-  
-led Constitution have a support out of my property  
during his Natural life

Sixthly =, I desire and request that My beloved wife  
Manage and Controll our Children and the  
property Coming to them under My will  
during their Minority without having any  
Guardian of their persons and property  
Appointed by law

Seventhly =, I desire and request that my Enclosure  
May stand or otherwise encumber the Land  
described in Deed from Mr. Hollingsworth  
to me being Sixty Acres more or less of Lot  
No (238) Two hundred and thirty eight

in the Sixteenth District of Oconee County, Georgia  
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Eighthly =; If at anytime it becomes necessary to sell the lands described in the seventh Article of this my last will I hereby invest my Executor with full power to sell or otherwise dispose of the same at public or private sale without any order of Court he to use his best judgment for the best interest of my estate.

Ninthly =; I hereby constitute and appoint to my Son in law John C. Hudson Executor of this my last will and Testament and I desire and request that he collect up all debts and claims of whatever kind owing to or due me and after collecting the same in full or by compromise to turn the proceeds thereof after paying my debts to my wife for her and our children's support

In witness whereof I have set my hand this the fifth day of November A.D.  
Eighteen hundred and seventy eight

M. J. Hudson

Signed and published by M. J. Hudson  
as her last will and Testament in our presence as witnesses thereto by his request  
and in the presence of each other

This the fifth day of November A.D.  
Eighteen hundred and seventy eight

M. H. McDaniels  
John Purvis  
Frank Reynolds