

Will of James
Burke, deceased,

In the name of God amen I

David Burke, being ill in body, but of sound mind and discharging memory, and knowing the uncertainty of life, and the certainty of death, do make and publish this my last will and testament: herein disposing of all my temporal affairs.

First. After my death, I give my soul to God who gave it me. Second. That my debts be paid without unnecessary delay. Third. I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Lucinda Burke a part of a thousand (1000) acres tracts of land (suppose) to contain one hundred and seventy five (175) acres known as the house tract: bounded on the north by Mrs. Benton and myself, west by Augustine Goughtry, on the south by Augustine Goughtry and myself, on the east by Adams Burk and myself. She is to have and hold said tract of land during her lifetime and then to belong to my son Cornelius Burk. Fourth. I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Lucinda Burk all my plantation tools, house hold and kitchen furniture, also, seven choice cows and calves, a yoke of oxen and oxen, two choice horses, thirty hogs, ten sheep, and two steers. Said property she is to have and hold during her lifetime and then to be equally divided among all my children.

Fifth. I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Lucinda Burk one years provisions and all poultry kind. Said property she is to have and hold during her lifetime, and then to be equally divided among all of my children.

Sixth. I give and bequeath unto each of my sons, Sheldon L. Burk, Thomas R. Burk, and Cornelius Burk a horse valued at one hundred and fifty dollars (\$150) as they become of age, also, I give and bequeath to my daughter Lucy Burk one hundred and fifty dollars (\$150) when she becomes of age. I also give and bequeath unto Sheldon L. Burk, T. R. Burk, Cornelius Burk, and Lucy Burk a bed and stead as they become of age. I have already given Simon R. Burk, J. C. Burk, William Burk, T. H. Burk a horse valued at a hundred and fifty dollars (\$150) each. I also have given Jennette Burk one hundred and fifty dollars (\$150) and to Diggs Henry a piano valued two hundred dollars (\$200). I have already given to my son Adam Burk one hundred and fifty acres of land as his part of my land. Said land lies in the north east corner of my thousand (1000) acres and is bounded as follows: north by James and

and John H. Supren, on the West by myself, North by
myself, and on the East by Smith Hill. I have already
given to Susan C. Burk the wife of my son Francis H.
Burk ninety acres of land more or less to belong to her during
her life, and then to belong to the said Francis H. Burk's
children; it being a part of his share of my lands. Said
tract lies in the fork of White Branch and Big Speecher
river, and is bounded as follows: North and West by
W. A. Edenfield, on the East by H. Dougherty, on the South
by the Big Speecher river. I further more appoint my
son Abraham Burk as Trustee for Susan C. Burk the
wife of H. A. Burk and his children.

Eleventh. The remainder of my land not heretofore dis-
posed of I give to my eight children viz Simon H. Burke,
Levin H. Mullay, J. C. Burk, H. A. Burke, Thos. Burk, A. H. Burk
and Lucy Burk, except H. A. Burke who is only to receive
enough to make his wife's ninety acres equal to the other
seven children's to be equally divided among said children.
Eighth. I give and bequeath my goods, effects, and prop-
erty of any kind whatsoever, and all of them not hereto-
fore divided or bequeathed, to be divided equally among
all of my children.

Ninth. I appoint my son J. C. Burk and
J. C. Burk as my executors of this my said last will and
testament. Signed and published this the 18th day of
November in the A. D. one thousand eight hundred
and seventy one in presence of

Simon Burk
Joseph S. Phillips
Wm. A. Edenfield Jr.

David Burk

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Came into open Court at this
regular Term of the Court
Simon Burke & Joseph S. Phillips and being duly
sworn depose that they saw David Burk only
& publish the within as his last Will & Testament,
while of sound mind; that they together were then
a Quorum of the Court at the time for him, at
his request and in his presence and of each
other, and that the same was executed, signed,
sealed & being on the day & year aforesaid to have
been executed.

Simon Burke
Joseph S. Phillips