

Georgia Screven County

In the name of God, Amen, I

Hubert Lee, of said State and County, knowing the uncertainty of this mortal life and being of sound and disposing mind and memory thanks be unto God for the same. I therefore make this my last will and testament, hereby revoking and annulling all others heretofore made by me.

(Item first) I desire and direct that my body be buried decent and Christian-like manner, suitable to my circumstances and condition. My soul, I trust, shall return to rest with God who gave it, as I hope for eternal salvation through the Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ: whose religion I have professed and as I humbly trust enjoyed for many years.

(Item second) I desire and direct that all my just debts be paid without delay by my executors herein after named and unwilling my creditors should be delayed of their rights especially as there is no necessity for delay.

(Item third) I give and devise to my beloved wife Dorcas with whom I have lived in the strictest quiet and love for a number of years, all my possessions of lands lying in said State and County above mentioned, the same being four hundred acres Screven Co. Ga. Will Book 2-B (1808-1879) which I now reside with all the rights members and appurtenances to said lot or tract of land in any wise appurtening or belonging free from all charge or limitation whatever, to her own proper use, benefit and behoof during the term of her natural life.

(Item Fourth) I give and bequeath to my beloved wife for and during her natural life my negro woman Tib and her son William also my negro woman Heester and her infant not yet named together with all their increase, also all of my stock of horses, cattle hogs and sheep with all my working tools and farming utensils of every kind which I am possessed of at this time.

(Item Fifth) also all of my household and kitchen furniture together with all my present crop of corn and fodder cotton peas and sugar cane &c.

(Item Sixth) It is my will and desire that my beloved wife Dorcas should have full power to use and control all of the foregoing bequests during her natural life provided she shall remain a widow, and if she should marry again, at her death then it is my desire that my whole estate, whatsoever there may be at that time should be equally divided among my heirs.

(Storn Seventh) I constitute and appoint my
beloved brother Josiah Lee and my son Nathan
W. Lee Executors to this my last will and testament
November the 23rd 1851

Reuben Lee (25)

Signed, sealed declared and published by Reuben Lee
as his last will and testament in the presence of us
the subscribers, who subscribed our names hereto in
the presence of said Testator and of each other November 23rd 1851

Henry H. McGee
Williams R. Best
Jonathan Toole
Charity Ann Lee

State of Georgia
Scriven County, Before me Alexander Kemp Judge
and Ordinary of the Court of Ordinary of said County
personally came Josiah Lee and Nathan W. Lee Executors
of the Last Will and Testament of Reuben Lee late of
said County deceased and produced before me the last
Will and Testament of said Reuben Lee deceased
And the witnesses of said Will: to wit: Henry H.
McGee, and Charity Ann Lee and Jonathan Toole
which Witnesses being duly sworn depose and say
that they saw Reuben Lee the Testator sign seal
declare and publish the Instrument now presented as
the last Will and testament: freely voluntarily, and of
his own accord, and without any compulsion or influ-
ence whatever: that at the time of the Execution of
said Will said Testator was of sound and disposing
mind and memory that deponents signed said
Will as witnesses in the presence of the testator and
at his special instance and request and in the presence
of each other.

Sworn to and Subscribed
before me in open Court
this Third day of May 1852
Alexander Kemp Ordinary

Henry H. McGee (25)
Jonathan Toole (25)
Charity Ann Lee (25)