

William County } Robt. M. Williamson, of Stannard County,
State of Georgia, planter being of perfect
sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding,
blessed be God therefore, and being desirous to settle my worldly
affairs whilst I have strength and capacity to be do, bearing
in mind that it is appointed unto all men once to die, &
the uncertainty of the time when, to make fullish and declare
thru my last will & testament hereby speaking and declaring
void all other and former wills by me at any time heretofore
made. And first and principally I commend my soul into
the hand of Almighty God, hoping for pardon and remission
of all my sins, and to enjoy everlasting felicity in his heavenly
kingdom. though the sole merit of my Saviour Jesus Christ & my
body, I commit to the earth to be buried in a decent manner
at the directions of my executors hereinafter named. And as
to such worldly estate as I shall possess, I give, devise and bequeath
I dispose of the same in manner and form following

Item First, I will and direct that all my first debts and
funeral charges be paid by my executors hereinafter named.

Item Second, I give, devise and bequeath unto Mary
Waters, wife of William Waters, senior, for her and her children
in fee simple forever, free from the debts and contracts
of her husband, five hundred dollars.

Item Third, I
give, devise and bequeath unto Hannah, A. Reeves, in trust
for her sole and separate use free from the debts, contracts
or control of any future husband, five hundred dollars.

Item fourth, I give, devise and bequeath unto
Robert, M. Reeves for him and his heirs forever in fee simple,
five hundred dollars.

Item fifth I give, devise
and bequeath unto Abigail Sarah, Fontaine daughter
of John Williamson deceased, for her and her children, in trust
to her and this sole and separate use, free from the debts

A Black, for his self and his heirs, from and to the use and
enjoyment of him and his heirs, or any portion of them,
for and during the term of his natural life, and after his death
to such child or children as he may have living at his
death, or the representatives of such child or children, the
following lot, tract or parcel of land, being a portion of the
plantation wherein I now reside, all of said tracts being
lying and situate in the State of Georgia and County of
Screven, to-wit: One tract originally granted to William
Miller containing by original survey five hundred and seven
and a half acres, and known and designated in a consolidated
Plat made from a survey by William H. Chunnally, County Sur-
veyor in the month of December 1854 for John M. Williamson as
number (No 24) twenty four. One tract originally
granted to John Goyges for three hundred (300) acres known
and designated in said consolidated Plat as number (No 17)
Seventeen. One other tract originally granted
to John Goyges for two hundred (200) acres known and
designated as aforesaid, in said consolidated Plat as
number (No 16) sixteen. Also one tract
originally granted to William Brannen, for three hundred
and fifty (350) acres, known and designated in the said
consolidated Plat as number (No 15) fifteen.
Also one tract originally run out under head right by
one, containing seventy six (76) acres, and known and
designated in said consolidated Plat as number (No 9)
Twenty nine. Also one tract originally granted to
John Goyges for one hundred (100) acres, known and de-
signated in said consolidated Plat as number (No 26)
twenty six. Also all that part which is
owned by me of a tract originally granted to John
Bidley containing one hundred and sixty (160) acres,
known and designated in said consolidated Plat as

landed and fifty (50) acres. Also all that portion of a tract
originally granted to John Griner for one hundred (100) acres
known and designated in said consolidated Plat as number
No 11) twenty two which lies on the north and west of a line
own or drawn diagonally from the south west to the north
west corner of said tract, said portion containing one hundred
red (100) acres more or less. Also all that portion of
a tract originally granted to Thomas Chisholm (or Chism) for
one hundred (100) acres known and designated in said con-
solidated Plat as number No 12) twelve which lies on the west
and east of a line commencing at the northwest corner of
the tract known and designated in the said consolidated
Plat as number seven (7), and remaining in a southerly
direction until it intersect the north boundary of said tract
number twelve (12), and keeping equidistant from or parallel
with its east boundary line to said tract number twelve (12).
Said portion containing forty (40) acres more or less.
Also all that portion of a tract originally granted
to John M. Griner, for one hundred (100) acres known and de-
signated in said consolidated Plat as number No 7)
seven, which lies on the east and north of a line continue
from the northern termination of the line through tract
No twelve (12) aforesaid, and running parallel to the
east boundary line of said tract number seven (7) to a
point south of the north boundary line of said tract
No 7, until it intersects with a line drawn from the
north east corner of tract number six, as designated in
said consolidated Plat, said portion containing forty (40)
acres more or less. Also all that por-
tion of a tract originally granted to Timothy Griner for
fifty (50) acres known and designated in said consoli-
dated Plat as No 13) thirteen which lies on the north

Control of any future husband and at her death in
fee simple to her children. I desire Martha wife of
J. G. Allen and daughter of my brother Benjamin to have an
equal part or share in trust for her sole and separate
use free from the debts contract or control of her present
or any future husband and at her death in fee simple
for her children. I desire J. Emmet Williamson, son of
my sister Casandra to have one equal part or share
to hold unto him and his heirs forever. I desire
Henry Paul Williamson, son of my sister Casandra to
have one equal part or share in trust for him and after
his death unto his heirs in fee simple free from his debts
and liabilities. I desire M. Luther Williamson son of my
sister Casandra to have one equal share to hold unto him
and his heirs in fee simple forever. I desire Emily, the
wife of Newton Strickland daughter of my sister Casandra
to have one equal part or share in trust for her
sole and separate use free from the debts contract or
control of her present or any future husband. And it is
my will and desire that my brother Benjamin, if he should
be in life at the time of my death, shall have a life
estate in the lands herein before devised unto his said
children Robt. Nicklesby, Emily and Martha, and at
his death to go them in the manner and subject to the
trust aforesaid. And it is my desire that my sister Casandra
if she should be in life at the time of my death, shall
have a life estate in the lands hereinbefore devised unto
her said children Emmet, Henry Paul, M. Luther, & Emily
and at her death the same to go to them in the same
manner and subject to the trusts aforesaid.
Item tenth. I hereby give devise and bequeath unto my
step daughter, Georgia Ann, Eliza, wife of the said

last will, and testament, in a codicil to said last will, and testament, by William Williamson, in December 1850, all of which I devise and bequeath unto my beloved step daughter the said Georgia An Eliza, in manner and form before stated, to have and to hold upon my death, to her the said Georgia An Eliza, and at her death to such child or children or representatives of child or children as she may leave living in fee simple forever free from the debts, contracts or control of her present or any future husband together with all the right, titles interests and hereditaments to the same in any wise belonging or appertaining.

Item eighth, I give devise and bequeath unto the said Georgian An Eliza, in manner and form aforesaid, free from the debts, contracts or control of her present or any future husband all of the furniture, goods and chattels both of the dwelling house and kitchen that may be on or belong to my place at the time of my death be the same of any kind or description whatever, including all books, silver plates dining room, bed room, hall and other furniture, also my four wheel pleasure carriage and two mules for the same, also one wagon and harness, six plows and two mules for plantation use, and ten (10) cows & calves, Item ninth All the rest and residue of the lands of which I may die possessed together with the hereditaments thereto belonging or in anywise appertaining, and which I have not hereinbefore bequeathed unto Georgia An Eliza, my beloved step daughter, I hereby give, devise and bequeath unto my beloved nephew John Will Miller, and the children of my beloved brother and sister Benjamin and Cassandra Williamson, to be equally divided between them the said John Will Miller, and the children

to be paid out of the residuum of my estate of five hundred dollars and to hold at my death the said sum of five hundred dollars to him and his heirs in fee simple forever, and it is my will that he should have nothing more than this out of any of my estate. Item 2^d. And having in my said last will and testament omitted to mention Lavinia the grand daughter of deceased sister, Lucy Miller, I therefore in this Codicil, give devise and bequeath unto the said Lavinia, now the wife of Thomas B. Ayler, the sum of five hundred dollars to be paid out of the residuum of my estate, to have and to hold at my death unto her, the said Lavinia, free from the debts contracts or contracts of her present or any future husband for and during her natural life & at her death then to her children in fee simple forever; And it is my will that she should have nothing more than this out of any of my estate. Item 3^d. In the second attestation clause of

my said last will and testament of July twentieth one thousand eight hundred and sixty six. the expressions "Six (6) Sheets" should be there (3) Sheets; as it is upon three sheets, making twelve pages including the page whereon said attestation clause is written that my said last will and testament is contained - the expression "Six (6) being been written therein by mistake and which I desire to correct as above in this Codicil - be witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this eighteenth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty seven =

Robert M. Williamson
The above and foregoing instrument was subscribed by the said Robt. M. Williamson, in our presence and acknowledged by him to each of us and he at the same time declared the same to be a Codicil to his last will and testament.

Item Eleventh, all the rest, residue or remainder, not
hereinbefore hereinbefore, of the personal property, stock, provisions,
implement, Chases in action, goods and chattels, monies, bonds,
note stock, and cash, of whatsoever kind or description of which
I may die possessed or entitled to, I give devise and bequeath
unto the said John M. Miller, and the children of Benjamin
and Cassandra Williamson to be equally divided between them
share and share alike, the shares of the children of Benjamin
Williamson and of Cassandra Williamson being hereby devised
unto them and each of them subject to the life estates and
the trusts specially set forth in item sixth of this my last
Will and Testament. Item twelfth, It is my intention
and will to leave nothing of my property, either real or person-
al or mixed to John B. Kistler, or his children nor to the children
of Sonisa Thomas.

Item thirteenth, I hereby constitute
ordain and appoint my friends, Bolt W. Lovett, Jr. and George
B. Black, executors of my last Will and Testament.
In witness whereof I have hereunto subscribed my hand and affi-
xed my seal this the twentieth day of July in the year of our
Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty six.

Robert M. Williamson
The above and within written instrument, contained on
six (6) sheets making twelve pages, including this page whereon
this attestation is written, was subscribed by the said Robert M. Williamson
in our presence and acknowledged by him to each of us and he at
the same time published and declared the above and within writ-
ten instrument to be his last Will and Testament
and we at the said Testator request and in his presence and
in the presence of each other, the said Testator having acknowl-
edged to us that he had carefully read said instrument of
writing I have signed our names as witnesses thereto and with-
affixed our names our respective places of residence:

J. A. Black, Soninen Do For

December Term 1868, Ordinary Court of Ordinary Court came into open court at the regular term of said court, James O. Black, William H. Bennett, Eliza Struggle and being duly sworn upon that they saw Robert M. Williamson sign and publish the within as last will and testament while of sound and disposing mind. That they signed the same and saw Robt. W. Bennett sign the same as witnesses thereof at his request in his presence & in the presence of each other & that the same was executed voluntarily by him on the day it purports to have been executed, he at the same time acknowledged to us that he read the same, sworn to and subscribed for me in open court

Henry Parker
Ordinary

J. A. Black
Eliza Struggle
W. H. Bennett.

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Court of Ordinary December Term 1868, came into open court at this regular term thereof James B. Baysmore, and being duly sworn depose that he saw Robt. M. Williamson, sign & publish the within as a codicil to his last will & testament while of sound & disposing mind sign the same and saw John O. McCracken & J. Bennett & R. W. Bennett, sign the same as witnesses thereof at his request in his presence and in the presence of each other and that the same was executed voluntarily by him on the day it purports to have been executed & that he acknowledged to have read the same before signing it.

sworn to & subscribed in open court 14th December 1868

Henry Parker
Ordinary

James B. Baysmore.
Will & Codicil of Robert M. Williamson