

Georgia } I do solemnly swear that this
Spalding County } writing contains the true last will
& Testament of the within named Milton Westmoreland
Deed so far as I know or believe and that I will
well and truly execute the same by paying first
the debts and then the Legacies therein contained as
far as his goods & chattles will therunto Extent
and the law charge me and that I will make
a true & perfect Inventory of all such goods
& Chattles so help me God Calvin S Westmoreland
and affirmed
Sworn to & subscribed C S Westmoreland
in open Court Aug 5th 1853- M M Westmoreland
W L Gordon
Ordinary

Received Oct 12th 1853-

Georgia } On the name of God Amen
Spalding County } I Reason Blessit of the County and
state aforesaid being of sound mind and memory
and considering the uncertainty of life this frail
and transitory life do therefore make ordain
publish and declare this to be my last Will and
Testament this is to say first after all my lawful
debts are paid and discharged the residue of
my Estate real and personal I give bequeath
and dispose of as follows to wit to my wife
Haney Blessit the land as follows One Hundred
and forty five acres being a part of lot No
one hundred and thirty two and part of lot No
one hundred and forty four in being in the
third of Menno when Surveyed now Spalding
County also bequeath unto my wife Haney
Blessit three negroes namely Milton a man
Eighteen years of age Milly a woman fifty or
sixty years of age Lewis a girl between nine
and Eleven years of age and the choice one
of all my horses two choice cows and calves
two beds and bedsteads and clothing Cart
and Steer and five of the best furring Hogs
and two sows and pigs the remainder of
my property to except the negroes to be sold
and equally divided among my five children
I bequeath unto my five children namely
Haney S Blessit William S Blessit Clay Ann

Blessit James M. & Blessit Mary M. Blessit one
 land warrant laid on a tract of land in Ala-
 bama W^h not known which land I want
 tested before sold and my law suit that I
 have on hand if I should succeed I want
 it equally divided after the cost of the suit is
 paid between my wife and five children
 named before And my wife Nancy Blessit
 to be the Administrator on my will and
 Testament and William M. Modard to be
 her trustee And a support of the growing
 crops for her support the year 1856
 And each child to receive his legacy when
 he becomes of age
 Signed sealed in the
 presence of Jan 3^d 1855 R Blissit 

of
 Test Abner Dester
 Test Benjamin Genthral
 Test William S. Blissit

State of Georgia Personally appeared in open
 Spalding County Court Abner Dester Benjamin
 Genthral & William S. Blissit witnesses to the
 the within named last will and Testament
 of Reason Blessit late of said County decd
 who being duly sworn depose and say that
 they saw Reason Blessit the Testator sign seal
 publish and declare the within instrument as
 his last will and Testament freely voluntarily
 and of his own accord without any compulsion
 or influence whatever that at the time of the
 execution thereof said Testator was of sound
 disposing mind and memory that deponents
 signed said will as witnesses in the presence
 of the Testator and at his special instance &
 request and in the presence of each other

Sworn to and subscribed
 before me this Aug 6th 1853
 W L Gordon
 Ordinary

Abner Dester
 Benjamin Genthral
 William S. Blissit

State of Georgia I Nancy Blissit do solemnly
 Spalding County swear that this writing con-
 tains the true last will of the within named

Reason Blissit deceased so far as know or
believe and that I will well and truly execute
the same by paying first the debts and then the
Legacies contained in the said will as far as
his goods and Chattels will thereunto extend
and the law charge me and that I will make
a true and perfect inventory of all such goods
& Chattels so help me God
Sworn to & Subscribed Nancy ^{his} Blissit
in open Court Aug 6th 1853 - Mark
Mm & Gordon

Ordinary

Recorded Oct 12th 1853

State of Georgia } In the Name of God Amen
Spalding County } I William Ellis of the County
and State aforesaid being much advanced in
age, but of Sound Mind and Knowing that
I must shortly depart this life, deem it proper
to make a disposition of the earthly concerns
with which it hath pleased God to bless me
by hereby revoking all other wills heretofore made
by me I am 1st If it is my design that my body
be interred in a decent and Christian like
Manner suitable to my condition in life
I am 2nd It is my wish that all my just
debts be paid if there should be any, soon
after my decease
I am 3rd I give to my beloved wife Martha, whom
I have lived fifty seven years in the most perfect
harmony, all my estate both real and personal of
whatever ever kind it may consist for and during
her natural life or widowhood
I am 4th After the death or marriage of my wife
I direct that all my estate of every kind be equally
divided between all my children and legal representatives
of children, with the following exceptions (viz)
To Joseph Coak who married my daughter Martha
(she being dead) I give five dollars and no more out
of my estate. To Reuben ^{my} Wright who married my
daughter Syrah (she being dead) I give five dollars
and no more of my estate. The children of my daughter
Syrah are to receive nothing more from my estate.
From my son William J. Ellis portion is to be
divided Eight hundred twenty eight dollars
that is to say my other children John & Ellis