

252) Cooper, Daniel Medillan, Albert C. Cox, A. & T. Roberts & Edmund J. Harris to appraise the Estate of said Deceased and make Return of the same to this Court in Term of Law - Granted Thomas C. Evans Ordinary.

Recorded 7th October 1856.

Thomas C. Evans Ordinary

State of Georgia

Troup County } By the Court of Ordinary for said County

To all whom these presents shall come - Greeting

Know ye, That on the sixth day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty six, the last Will and Testament of John L. Stephens late of Troup County deceased was exhibited in open Court, and in Common form of law, proved and admitted to record, a Copy of which is herewith annexed, and administration of all and singular the goods, Chattels and Credits of said deceased was granted to Alexander H. Stephens the executor in and by said Will named and appointed, he having first taken the Oath, and performed all other requisites required by law, he by Order of said Court and by virtue of these presents, legally authorized to administer the goods, Chattels and Credits of said deceased, according to the tenor and effect of the said Will and Testament, and according to law; and he is hereby required to render a true and perfect inventory of all and singular the goods, Chattels and Credits of the said deceased and appraised and returned to this Court according to law, and to render a true and correct account to the said Court of his doings and doings yearly and every year until his administration is fully completed.

Given under my hand, as Ordinary, and the Seal of the said Court this 6th

October eighteen hundred and fifty six

Tho. C. Evans Ordinary

Recorded 7 Oct. 1856.

Tho. C. Evans Ordinary

Recorded in the Ordinary's office of Taliaferro County Georgia this Nov. 26th 1857.

Quinn O'Neal Ordinary

Will of Benjamin Jones.

Georgia

Taliaferro County

In the Name of God, Amen

I Benjamin Jones

of the County and State aforesaid being of sound

Mind and Memory, do Ordain and Constitute this my last will & testament hereby revoking all others heretofore made by me.

Item 1st It is my will that all my just debts be paid

Item 2nd I will and bequeath to my wife Mary Jones the plantation whereon I now live together with all my house hold & kitchen

furniture, horses, Mules, Cattle, hogs and all live stock whatsoever, and all my plantation tools stock and implements of every kind, and my Carriage and the following Negroes. Tom, Anthony, George, Mary, and her Children Antonett, Nancy, Mary, Oliver, Ben, & Lidia, Hannah, Sally & Guide, Puff, Matilda, Pernice, Fanny and Mingo, Ned & Will & Reuben, and Della, Mary's Children - to have and to hold the aforesaid property in this item mentioned for and during her natural life, and at her death said property to go to and be distributed among my other Children, Henry B. Jones, John N. T. Jones and Seaborn J. Jones Martha T. Seay, in an equal manner with a limitation as to Negro girl Puff who will be disposed of in a following item

Item 3rd I will and bequeath to my son Henry B. Jones my woman Mariash and her three Children Susanah, Seab and Wiley together with their natural increase. - Item 4th I will and bequeath to my son Seaborn J. Jones my Negro man Jim and Negro boy Hampton

Item 5th I will and bequeath to my grand daughter Ella Frances Jones my two Negroes Bill and Lucy -

Item 6th I will and bequeath to my son John N. T. Jones my negro man Allin and my boy John

Item 7th I will and bequeath to my son in law Dr. Reuben T. Seay Trustee the following Negroes, twent, Marks (or Margaret) Martha Jane, Lucy Ann and her three Children, Eliza, Starting and Emma with the natural increase to hold the same in trust for the sole & separate use of my daughter Martha T. Seay for and during her natural life free from liability to the debt of her present or any future husband, and at her death said negroes with their increase to be equally divided among the Children of her body

Item 8th I will and bequeath to my grand son William Paschal my negro man Alfred, also Negro man Anthony and girl Puff, mentioned in the 3rd item of this will, which Negroes are to be kept by my wife and used by her until said William Paschal be comes of age when he shall receive them; - Now should the said William Paschal die before arriving at age, then I will the three Negroes named above to be divided, at his death among my Children Henry B. Jones - Seaborn J. Jones, John N. T. Jones and Martha T. Seay Equally

Item 9th I will and bequeath to the Children of my daughter Nancy Ingram who is now dead my Negro girl George Ann, which Negro I desire to be sold at my death, by my Executors to be herein after appointed and the money to be kept by them, and given to the said Children in equal proportions, as they may arrive at age (continued on page 36 of this Book)

(302) Item 10th. At the death of my wife I will and bequeath all the property bequeathed her for during her life in the 2nd item of this Will not herein otherwise disposed of to my Children following, Henry B. Jones, John N. T. Jones, Seaborn J. Jones & Martha T. Seay to be Equally divided among them. That part bequeathed in the 10th item to Martha T. Seay, I bequeath to my son in law Dr. Reuben T. Seay, Trustee to hold the same in trust with all its future increase for the sole and separate use of his wife Martha T. Seay for and during her Natural life only free from liability to the debts of her present or any future husband, and at her death to go to and be Equally divided between her Children.

Item 11th. I hereby appoint my sons Henry B. Jones, John N. T. Jones and Seaborn J. Jones Executors to this will & desire that they will fully carry out its provisions.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal to this my last will and testament - This the third day of August 1863.

Benjamin Jones L.B.

Benjamin Jones executed & signed this will before us and in our presence and we in the presence of each other and he requested us to see him sign the same. & to sign ~~these~~ Names as witnesses to this will August 3rd 1863.

James Sharp
William L. Sharp
Henry D. Smith

Georgia Talapferro County. - Court of Ordinary of said County
September Term 1863.

The last will and Testament of Benjamin Jones of said County was propounded in open Court for probate in Common form of law by two of the Executors Nominated in and by said Will, and was proven by the Oaths of James Sharp William L. Sharp and Henry D. Smith the witnesses to said will, do solemnly swear that we saw Benjamin Jones sign seal and declare this writing to be his last will and testament, that he did it freely without compulsion that he was of sound mind and memory, and we signed the same in the presence of testator and at his special instance and request and in the presence of the witnesses to help us God in.

Sworn and subscribed in open Court September 7th 1863. (303)
attest Quinea O'Neal Ordinary } James Sharp
William L. Sharp
Henry D. Smith

(Letters Testamentary)

State of Georgia } By the Court of Ordinary for said County
Taliaferro County } To all to whom these presents shall come,

Know ye that on the seventh day of ^{September} ~~Jan~~ the
Year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and sixty three the last
Will and Testament of Benjamin Jones Sr. late of Taliaferro County deceased
was exhibited in open Court, and in common form of law proved and adm-
itted to record, a copy of which is hereto annexed, and administration of
all and singular the Goods, Chattels and Credits of said deceased was
granted to Henry B. Jones and John N. T. Jones two of the executors in
and by said Will named and appointed, they having first taken the
Oath, and performed all other requisites required by law they are by
Order of said Court, and by virtue of these presents legally authorized
to administer the Goods and Chattels and Credits of said deceased, according
to the tenor and effect of the said Will and Testament, and according to law
and they are hereby required to render a true and perfect inventory of
all and singular the Goods, Chattels and Credits of the said deceased
and appraised and returned to this Court according to law, and to
render a true and correct account to the said Court of all their acts
and doings yearly and every year, until their administration is
fully completed.

Witness my hand as Ordinary, and the
Seal of the said Court, this seventh day of September eighteen
hundred and sixty three

Quinea O'Neal Ordinary