

(278) State of Georgia } In the Name of God - Amen I Elizabeth
Taliaferro County } Jordan of said State and County, being of
Advanced age, and knowing that I must
shortly depart this life, deem it right and proper both as respects
my family and my self that I should make a disposition of the
property with which a kind Providence has blessed me, do therefore
make this my last will and testament, hereby revoking all others
herebefore made by me -

Item 1st I desire and direct, that my body be buried in a decent
and Christian like manner by my Executor herein after named

Item 2nd It is my will and desire that all my just debts be
paid by my P^r executor hereinafter to be named

Item 3rd I give and bequeath to my son Seaborn L. Jordan my two
Negro slaves, to wit, Simon a boy about twelve years of age, and
my Negro girl Melinda about ten years of age, with all their
future increase to him and his heirs forever, I also give and
bequeath to my beloved Son Seaborn L. Jordan all my Household
furniture of what ever kind I may die possessed of

Item 4th I hereby constitute and appoint my son Seaborn L. Jordan
Executor of this my last will and testament, this the 29th day
of May 1852.

Elizabeth Jordan ^{her} ^{mark} L. B.

Signed, sealed, declared, and published by the said
Elizabeth Jordan as her last will and testament, in the presence of us
the subscribers, who subscribed our names hereto, in the presence of
of said testator at her special instance and request, and of each other
This May 29th 1852.

John W. Reynolds

Phabian M. Hart

Theophilus Pearce

Georgia Taliaferro County - Court of Ordinary in and for said County
at September Term 1861. The last will and
testament of Elizabeth Jordan having been ~~properly~~ introduced for
Probate in common form by Seaborn L. Jordan the Executor thereon com-
mended to as proven in open Court by the Corporal Oaths of John W. Reynolds
and Theophilus Pearce, to wit, You John W. Reynolds, and Theophilus Pearce
do solemnly swear that you saw Elizabeth Jordan sign seal and declare
the within (foregoing) writing to be and contain her true last will and
testament, that she did it freely and without compulsion, and that
we signed the same as witnesses in the presence of said testator

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at her special instance and request, and in the presence of each other, and
that Phabian M. Hart signed the same as witness in the presence of testator
and in the presence of us. — Sworn to and subscribed in open Court
This September 2nd 1861.

John W. Reynolds

Theophilus ^{mark} Pearce

Attest Quinea Neal Ordinary It is considered and adjudged by the
Court that the will and Probate be recorded, in the Records of this office

Quinea Neal Ordinary &

Clerk Ex officio

Recorded this Sept^r 2nd 1861.

Quinea Neal Ordinary Clerk

(Thomas A. Mitchell's Will)

In the Name of God, Amen.

I Thomas A. Mitchell of the County of Taliaferro and State of Georgia being
of feeble health but of sound mind and disposing memory do make declare
and publish this to be my last will and testament hereby revoking all others
heretofore made by me.

Item 1st It is my will and desire that out of the money notes, accounts, and
other evidences of debts of which I may die possessed that all my just
debts should be paid.

Item 2^d I will and bequeath to each of the children of my deceased half
sister Elizabeth Stoop one dollar.

Item 3rd I will and bequeath to my brother George W. Mitchell the house and
lot in the town of Crawfordville known as the Chaffin lot whereon said
George W. Mitchell now lives: and the two small lots lying between said Chaffin
lot and the lot now occupied by Vernon Tucker.

Item 4th It is my will and desire that all the balance of my property not
herein before disposed of both real and personal lands negroes or other
effects be sold by my executors in the manner and form as herein after directed
and the proceeds of the sale thereof to be equally divided into eight parts: One
of these parts I give to my brother John G. Mitchell. — One of these parts I give
to my brother Hugh L. Mitchell. — one of these parts I give to my brother George
W. Mitchell. — One of these parts I give to my nephew Jacob W. H. Mitchell in
trust for the sole and separate use of my brother Joseph G. Mitchell for and
during his natural life and after his death in further trust to give to his children
living at the time of his death and the representatives of his children provided any
be dead at the time last aforesaid — said representatives taking by representation
and I do hereby empower the said Jacob W. H. Mitchell to invest the whole or
any part of said fund in such property as he may see fit.