

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 Ordinary of their doings 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 3rd day of May eighteen Hundred and fifty eight

Quinn O'Neal Ordinary

Recorded May 3rd 1858.

Quinn O'Neal Ordinary & Clerk Ex officio

In the name of God, Amen. — I George L. Bird 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 and Accounts and other evidences of debts of which I may die possessed all of my just debts should be first paid

Item 2nd I will and bequeath to my wife Martha Bird the House and lot whereon I now live and all my House-hold and Kitchen Furniture on said lot and provisions for one year which bequest is intended in lieu of dower, and if she claims dower I wish the House & lot therein willed her to be sold and divided between my Children share and share alike; I also give and bequeath unto my said wife one fifth part of all my other personal property of every kind and description

Item 3rd It is my will and desire that all the balance of my property both real and personal be equally divided into four parts — One of these parts I give to my son George Bird — one of these parts I give to my son Buford E. Bird — one of these parts I give to my Brother Philemon Bird in trust for the sole and separate use of my daughter Catharine Bird during her natural life free from the Marital rights of any man with whom she may intermarry and after her death in further trust to her Children and in case she shall die without leaving issue living at the time of her death to divide said property among my Children living at the time of her death and the representatives of my Children living at the time of her death

(268) - Said representatives taking by representation. -

The other of these parts I give to my said Brother Philemon Bird in trust for the sole and separate use of my daughter Mary E. Bird during her Natural life free from the Marital rights of any man with whom she may intermarry and after her death in further trust to give to her Children, and in Case she shall die without leaving issue at the time of her death to divide said property among my Children living at the time of her death and the representatives of my Children provided any be dead at the time last aforesaid - Said representatives taking by representation

Item 4.th I give my Executors and Executrix full power to sell all or any of my property both real or personal, Lands Negroes or other effects without an Order of Court either at public or private Sale as they may think best to Accomplish the purposes of this my will

Item 5.th Lastly I Nominate Constitute and appoint George F. Bristow the Executor and my wife Martha Bird the Executrix to this my last will and Testament

This October 23rd 1858 - (The word "my" interlined before signed)
Signed sealed, declared and published } George L. Bird L.B.
by George L. Bird as his last will and Testament in our presence as
witnesses thereto by his request - This Oct. 23rd 1858.

Esau Ellington

Charles M. Gee

George ^{his} H. Downing
mark

J. W. Perkins Test

Georgia Taliaferro County. - Court of Ordinary for said County December Term 1858

The last will and Testament of Dr. George L. Bird was produced in open Court, (by the Executors) and in Common form of Law proven by the subscribing witnesses to the same, to wit, You Esau Ellington, Charles M. Gee & George H. Downing swear that you saw George L. Bird, sign, seal, publish and declare this writing to be and contain his last will and Testament that at the time thereof he was of sound disposing mind and memory, and that he did it freely without Compulsion and that you subscribed the same in the presence of each other and of the testator and at his special request - so help you God - Sworn & Subscribed in open Court, this Dec. 6th 1858.

E. Ellington

Charles M. Gee

G. H. ^{his} Downing
mark

Attest Quince Neal Ordinary

Recorded Dec. 7th A. D. 1858

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State of Georgia }
Valdeshero County }
By the Court of Ordinary for said County
To all to whom these presents shall
Come - Greeting

Know Ye, That on the sixth day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty eight the last will and testament of Dr. George I. Bird late of Valdeshero County deceased was exhibited in open Court, and in Common form of law, proved and Admitted 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 George H. Bristow & Mrs Martha Bird 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, 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 actings 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 sixth day of December eighteen hundred and fifty eight

Quinea O'Neal Ordinary

Recorded Dec. 7th 1858.

Quinea O'Neal Ordinary

State of Georgia }
Valdeshero County }
Item 1st it is my last will & Testament that all
my honest debts be paid

Item 2nd it is my will that my Negroes be Equally
divided among my Children

Item 3rd It is my will that Mary Ellen my Daughter have two hundred dollars for her support & Education Also my son William Thomas have two hundred dollars for his support & Education they are to have this money above the other Children for they are the youngest & have to be raised

Item 4th It is my will that all my perishable property be sold & if it brings money enough to be Applied to my Daughter Mary Ellen & my son William Thomas each have the sum of one hundred dollars