

In the Name of God Amen.

I James Ballard of the County of Taliaferro and State of Georgia, being indisposed of body but of sound and perfect mind, knowing that it is once appointed for man to die, do make this my last will and testament, avowing all others, I first resign my soul to God that first gave it and my body to his Mother and from whence it came to be buried in a Christian like manner at the discretion of her most benevolent it is my desirable wish that James H. Ballard, Thomas W. Ballard & Elizabeth A. Ballard shall inherit fifty dollars of my estate each, and that John S. Ballard & William Ballard shall each inherit one cow and the first cow calf that either of cows have is to be given to Daniel S. Ballard, which are the lawfull heirs of my son Elijah; and that my son James Ballard and my son Isaac Britton Hornack shall inherit One dollar each, and that my son Elijah Ballard shall inherit the balance of my Estate, with my chances of Draw in the land lottery, if I be fortunate in Drawing any thing, and it is also my insinuat wish that my son Elijah Ballard will act as my lawfull Executor and that each here mentioned to have and to hold their distributive Legacy in fee Simple from the lawfull claim or claims of any other person or persons in Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 5th day of Nov. 1826.

Signed, sealed in presence of
West Chesley Bristolow
Singleton Harris
Matthew Stewart

his
James E. Ballard
marked

Georgia } At an adjourned Session December 1st 1826.
Taliaferro County } Present their honors, Wm. M. Mercer Thomas
Guest and Archibald Gresham.

This last will and testament of James Ballard late of this County, was duly proven, in due form of law, by the Oaths of Chesley Bristolow, Singleton Harris and Matthew Stewart, the subscribing Witnesses thereto.

You Chesley Bristolow, Singleton Harris and Matthew Stewart swear that you saw James Ballard 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 mind and

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memory, and that he did it freely without compulsion to the
best of your knowledge.

Sworn and subscribed to in open Court, before me this first
day of December 1826.

Attest Henry Perkins, Secy. Chisley Bristow.
Singleton Harris.
Matthew Stewart.

State of Georgia

Taliaferro County } By the Court of Ordinary for said County.

On the first day of December 1826, while sitting for ordinary
purposes Elijah Ballard was duly qualified as executor to the
last will and testament of James Ballard, late of said County, Ga.
(in open Court) the will and proceedings ordered to be recorded.

Attest. Henry Perkins, C. C. O.

Last Will and testament of
James Ballard, deceased Georgia.

Taliaferro County, office of the
Court of Ordinary, duly recorded
in book A.B. of the registers
of Wills, pages 124/3. Dec. 1st 1826.

attest. Henry Perkins, C. C. O.