

thereof, where thereunto required. In testamoney wherefore, I have officially set my hand and seal, this Seventh day of January eighteen hundred and twenty eight and the Fifty third year of American Independence.

Henry Petkin, C. C. O,

Recorded 10<sup>th</sup> January 1828.

A copy of John Gibson's Will. Recorded Jan. 16<sup>th</sup> 1828.

Georgia

Withers County, In the name of Almighty God amen.

I John Gibson of sound mind, but infirm in body and knowing that all men must die do make my last will and testament.

Item 1<sup>st</sup> My will and desire is that my just debt to be paid as soon as possible.

Item 2<sup>nd</sup> I give and bequeath to my dearly beloved wife Mildred during her natural life and at her decease to be equally divided amongst her children the following property (viz.) My plantation where I now reside and seventeen negroes and their increase by name Ralph, Frank, Jim, Ned, Gabriel, Jim, Beck, Polly and her children (Sam and Scott, and Nancy) Rhoda and Frank, Kelley and her three children (Harry, Sarah and Foster) My boy Harry during his natural life and at her death. I bequeath to my Grand son Owen Miller the said boy, my House hold and Kitchen furniture, my four wheeled carriage and match of Horses and two others as she may think proper to take my stock of Cattle hogs and sheep my Coal Watch, Blacksmith tools and provisions to serve one year. My mill and ten acres of land around them.

Item 3<sup>rd</sup> I give to the Children of Thornton Gibson three hundred dollars to be equally distributed to them by Executor N. Lewis and Mildred my wife.

Item 4<sup>th</sup> I bequeath to my beloved daughter Mildred Bell, the benefit of those negroes now in their possession her natural life and at her death to be sold and the proceeds of sale to be equally divided among her children, the negroes known by the name of Martha, Harriet and Sally.

Item 5<sup>th</sup> I give to my daughter Luendia Maddox yellow fellow called Tom.

Item 6<sup>th</sup> I bequeath to my son Benjamin tract of land on which he now resides with the exception of ten acres adjoining the Mill.

Item 7<sup>th</sup> I give to my son George five hundred dollars.

Item 8<sup>th</sup> The Balance of my estate both real and personal not here before named to be sold by Executor to be hereafter distributed on the death of each child in equal parts that is to say

112 One part to my beloved wife, one part to my son in law - Jacob Lewis's  
children. One part to my daughter Matilda Allison. One part to  
my daughter Mildred Bell to be disposed of as the Legacy above bequeath-  
ed in this Will. - One part to my Daughter Lucinda Madason.  
One part to my Daughter Sarah Lewis. -

One part to my Son Benjamin. -

Item 9<sup>th</sup> I will and desire that the debt of Gilbert and Gibson  
now in suit under the management of David Allison if ever  
collected to be equally divided amongst my wifes children if not  
they bear an equal share in the cost of suit. -

Item 10<sup>th</sup> I appoint my worthy friends St. Lewis and David Allison  
my executors. -

In witness whereof I set my hand and seal this Eleventh of April One  
thousand Eight hundred and twenty six. -

Signed Sealed and delivered  
in the presence of us

J. Ticklin M. D.

John Dewberry

Robert Allison

Georgia

Wilkes County Personnally appeared in open Court Fielding Ticklin  
and John Dewberry who first being duly sworn  
deposits and saith that they saw John Gibson sign and insert &  
publish the within instrument in writing as last will and testament  
and that at the time of his signing he was of sound disposing mind  
and memory that they signed their names thereto as subscribing  
Witnesses by the request of the said John Gibson and in his presence  
and in the presence of each other, in like manner Robert Allison  
sign his name as a subscribing witness. -

Sworn to and swaren in open court this 6<sup>th</sup> day of February  
1824.

Attest John H. Dyson C.C.O.

J. Ticklin  
John Dewberry

Georgia, I, John H. Dyson, Clerk of the Court of Ordinary  
Wilkes County, in and for said County, do hereby Certify, that the annexed and foregoing is truly Copied from the Original Will  
of John Gibson deceased.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court  
of Office 24<sup>th</sup> December 1824.

John H. Dyson C. C. O.

Recorded January 21<sup>st</sup> 1825.

Attest,

Henry Perkins C. C. O.

Sat Will and Testament of John Gibson  
and (Copy) late of Wilkes County deceased  
Georgia Calhoun County Register's office  
of the Court of Ordinary duly Recorded  
in book A.B. of Wills in page 415 the 22  
January 20<sup>th</sup> 1828.

Attest Henry Perkins C. C. O.

### Salley Davis Will.

In the name of God Amen. I Salley Davis being weak in  
body but of sound mind and disposing memory do ordain the follow-  
ing to be my last Will and testament.

I give and bequeath the negro child Lewis and my Clock to my  
Brother Thomas Edwards.

2. I give and bequeath to the children of my sister Elizabeth  
Dunn all the balance of my estate both real and personal, with  
the following conditions; that the negroes shall not be carried to a  
distance against their will, but shall be sold in the neighbour-  
hood, and that my clothes shall be divided amongst the  
daughters of my said Sister Elizabeth if they can be conveyed  
to them - if not, they shall not be sold but divided amongst the  
children of my Brother Thomas Edwards. I nominate my  
Brother Thomas Edwards, and appoint him the Executor of  
my last Will and testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto  
set my hand and affixed my seal this third day of April  
1824. Signed, sealed and acknowledged,

in the presence of, Salley Davis his Seal,  
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