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Georgia  
Taliaferro County

In the name of God Amen!  
I Simon Morriss Int. of the County and State  
afore said considering the shortness of this mortal life  
and the certainty of death. do make and publish this my last will  
and testament first of all I recommend my soul into the hands of him  
who gave it and my body to the earth to be buried in a Christian-like  
manner by my Executors herin after named And being of sound  
Mind and Memory do (make the following) distribution of the property  
wherewith God has been pleased to bless me

Item 1<sup>st</sup> I lend unto my beloved wife Susanna Morriss the tract of  
land whercon I now live. Three Negroes of her Choice, two Choice  
Horses, Three beds and furniture, My riding Carriage, four Cows and  
Calves and four Yearlings, Twenty head of Stock Hogs, Pork and  
Corn for one year. Two sets of plows and plow gear, Each portion  
of Furniture in the House and kitchen Utentials as she may select  
and Consider necessary during her natural life and after her death  
it is my will that it be equally divided (with the increase)  
between the following Children to wit, Charles Morriss, Simon  
Morriss Jr. Mrs. A. Morriss, Hannah Rice Overton, Frances Morriss  
Nancy Darden, and Susan Woodall or their representatives.

Item 2. I give and bequeath unto my son Chat. Morriss the tract of  
land whercon he now lives called the Woodall place at five hundred  
dollars, a horse bed & furniture Cow & Calf &c which he  
has already rec<sup>d</sup>. at one hundred and twenty dollars


Item 3. I give and bequeath unto my son Simon Morriss the  
tract of land he lives on called the King place at seven hundred  
dollars a horse, bed & furniture Cow and Calf &c. which he  
has already received at one hundred and twenty dollars

Item 4<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath unto my son William A. Morriss  
the tract of Land whercon he now lives called the Tooke place  
at six hundred dollars a horse, bed & furniture, Cow and  
Calf &c. which he has already received at one hundred and  
Twenty dollars

Item 5<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath unto my daughter Hannah  
R. Overton, two Negroes named and Charis at the Value of four  
hundred dollars, and a horse, and Bed & furniture, Cow & Calf &c.  
All of which she has already received at one hundred and twenty dollars

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- Item 6<sup>th</sup>. I give and bequeath unto my daughter Frances Morris a Negro Girl named Louisa at four hundred dollars, a horse, bed and furniture, Cow and Calf &c. which she had already received at one hundred and twenty dollars.
- Item 7<sup>th</sup>. I give and bequeath unto my daughter Nancy Darden a Negro Girl named Charlotte at four hundred dollars - a horse, bed & furniture, Cow and Calf, which she has already received at one hundred and twenty dollars.
- Item 8<sup>th</sup>. I give and bequeath unto my daughter Susan Woodall a Negro Girl named Izard at four hundred dollars, a horse, Bed & furniture, Cow and Calf &c. which she has already received at one hundred and twenty dollars.
- Item 9<sup>th</sup>. ~~It~~ It is my will that my son Simon Morris as trustee for my Grand-daughter Missouri Ann Morris receive out of my Estate three hundred dollars to be held for her until she marries or becomes of age and then paid over to her - but provided nevertheless if my said Grand-daughter Missouri Ann Morris should die without issue then & in that case it is my will that - it be equally divided with my Children (now living) or their representatives - and that she to wit my Grand-daughter Missouri Ann ~~receive~~ receive no further amount from my Estate.
- Item 10<sup>th</sup>. It is my will that my son Simon Morris as trustee for my Grand-daughter Niece Ann Clark, receive out of my estate one hundred and fifty dollars, to be held for <sup>her</sup> until she marries or becomes of age and then paid over to her - But provided nevertheless if my said Grand-daughter Niece Ann Clark ~~should~~ die without issue, then and in that case It is my will that it return to my Estate and be equally divided with my Children (now living), or their representatives - and that she to wit my Grand-daughter Niece Ann Clark receive no further amount from my estate.
- Item 11<sup>th</sup>. The residue and remainder of my estate both real and personal not herein enumerated I have to be sold and divided in the following manner to wit at my son Simon has already received Eight hundred and twenty dollars from my Estate It is my will that my two Sons Charles & William &c. be made up equal with him and that my daughters Hannah B. Overton, Francis Morris, Nancy Darden and Susan Woodall receive such sum as will make their portions amount to seven hundred and seventy dollars then the ballance if any be equally divided among my Children (now living) named in this

Item 12<sup>th</sup> I do hereby appoint My Sons Simon Morris & Charles Morris Executors to this My last will and Testament (re-acting) all others and ratifying & confirming and publishing this as My true will and do signed Sealed and Acknowledged in presence of  
 Sept. 19<sup>th</sup> 1834. Simon <sup>his</sup> Morris 

Malichi Murden  
 Richard A. Murden  
 Thomas P. Thompson

Malichi Murden, Tho<sup>s</sup> P. Thompson & Richard A. Murden being sworn depose & saith that they saw Simon Morris sen<sup>r</sup> sign seal publish and declare this within writings 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 compulsions to the best of your knowledge - So help you G<sup>o</sup>D?

Sworn to and subscribed in open Court -  
 This 19<sup>th</sup> day of November 1834 -  
 Attest  
 Malichi Murden  
 Tho<sup>s</sup> P. Thompson  
 Richard A. Murden

Quina Oneal C. C. O.

Georgia  
 Salisferro County } In open Court came Simon  
 Morris j<sup>r</sup> and Charles Morris the executors named  
 in the within will and was duly qualified as Ex<sup>r</sup> of  
 the last will and Testament of Simon Morris sen<sup>r</sup>  
 late of said County dec<sup>d</sup>. The Court ordered the  
 will and proceedings to be ~~re-~~ recorded  
 Nov. 30<sup>th</sup> 1834. Quina Oneal C. C. O.

The last will and testament of Simon Morris <sup>sen<sup>r</sup> dec<sup>d</sup></sup> being proven &  
 And approved of by the Court and the Executors therein named were duly  
 sworn to Execute the same The Court ordered that the will and proceed  
 be recorded and that letters testamentary be given to the Ex<sup>r</sup> named in said  
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The Last Will and Testament  
of Simon Morris Sen: dec'd  
Recorded in the Clerks office of  
the Court of Ordinary of  
Taliaferro County Book A for  
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Quinea Oreal C. C. O.

Georgia Taliaferro County

By the Honorable the Court of Ordinary for  
said County — It is all to whom these presents shall come — Greeting  
Know Ye, that on the third day of November in the year of our Lord, eighteen  
hundred and thirtyfour the last Will and Testament of Simon Morris Sen:  
deceased, was proved, and approved, and allowed of; the said Simon Morris  
living in his life time, and at the time of his death, diverse goods, rights  
and Credits, within the County aforesaid; by Means whereof, the approbation  
and allowing) of letters Testament, and the power of granting) the administration  
of all and singular the goods, rights, and Credits of said deceased, and of the  
Testament, any manner or way concerning, to the said Court does of right  
belong: They have, therefore, granted and committed the administration  
of all and singular, the estate aforesaid, and letters Testamentary) and  
Simon Morris Sen: and Charles Morris Nominated Executors  
of the said deceased, in his said last Will and Testament, being  
first sworn on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God, well and  
faithfully, to administer, and make a perfect inventory of all and  
singular the goods Chattels, and Credits of the said deceased, and  
submit the same in to the Clerk of the Court of Ordinarys office,  
in the County aforesaid, in order to be recorded, on or before the Expiration  
of three Months next ensuing, and to render a Just and true account  
of the same, and reckoning) thereof, when thereunto required.

In Testimony Whereof, I have officially set my hand and seal, this  
third day of November Eighteen hundred and thirtyfour and Fifty ninth year of  
American Independence  
Quinea Oreal C. C. O.