

236 State of Georgia By the Ordinary of said County
Talaferrro County To all whom these presents shall Come Greeting
Know Ye, that on this third day of April in the
Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty four the last will
and Testament of William Gunn sen. late of said County, deceased, was exhib-
in open Court, and in Common form of Law proved and admitted to record a
Copy of which is herewith annexed; and administration of the estate, real and
personal, of said deceased, was granted to William N. Gunn, Richard
Gunn and Frederick E. Askin the Executors in and by said will named
and Appointed, they having first taken the Oath, and performed all
other requisites required by law, by Order of said Court, and by virtue of
these presents, legally authorized to administer the estate, real and personal, of the
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 the estate, both real and personal, of the said deceased, and have the
same appraised and returned to this Court according to law, and to render a true
and correct account to the said Court, of their Actings and doings, yearly
and, every year untill their Administration is fully Completed

Witnessed Quinea Okeal Ordinary, this the third day of April
in the Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty four
Quinea Okeal Ordinary

Georgia Talaferrro County - In the Name of God Amen

I William A. Ray being of sound &
disposing mind & memory though weak in body do make & Ordain this
my last will & Testament hereby revoking & annulling all other wills
heretofore made by me -

Item first - I wish out of my money & real & personal property
all my just debts to be paid

Item 2nd I will & bequeath to my beloved wife Elizabeth A. Ray
all my property both real & personal Consisting of the
House & lot in the Town of Crawfordville where I now live & my
Negro girl Maria together with all her future increase & all
the money notes & other Evidences of debts of which I may
die possessed for & during her natural life for the Support of
herself & my Children; And Negro Maria & her future increase
Not to be sold by any Officer of said County to any debt that she
may Contract

Item 3rd It is my will & desire & I hereby grant her the power that if my wife in her judgment thinks it for the interest of herself & my Children she shall sell my house & lot & reinvest the proceeds of said sale as she may think best

Item 4th I will and bequeath my said negro girl Maria & all her increase & also my house & lot if my wife in her discretion shall not sell the same & if she does sell said house & lot under the power hereinbefore granted them the proceeds of said sale if converted at the time of her death & if after having made said sale she has again invested the proceeds thereof in stock or other real or personal property then said stock or real or personal property to my Children living at the time of her death & if any one or more of my Children shall have died before the death of my wife leaving issue then to said issue - said issue taking by representation according to the Statute of distribution of this State

Item 5th I will and bequeath all my house hold & kitchen furniture to my wife for & during her natural life & at her death to my Children then in life & to the issue of those who may have died during the life of my wife - said issue taking by representation according to the statute of distribution of this State

Item 6th I hereby appoint & constitute my beloved wife Mildred A. Ray my executrix

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my seal this the 28th of January 1854
Signed & sealed in presence of

William A. Ray J.P.

Jno. W. Tilly
W. B. Moore
Jas. R. W. Rice

Georgia Taliaferro County - Court of Ordinary September Term 1854. Present
Quinn O'Neal Ordinary

In open Court appeared John W. Tilly & William B. Moore two of the subscribing witnesses to the within will, and being duly sworn on oath & with that they saw William A. Ray sign & seal the within paper writing to be his last will and testament, that he did it freely & without compulsion, that he was of sound and disposing mind and memory that they subscribed the same as witnesses in the presence of the testator and they saw James R. W. Rice sign the same as witness with themselves in presence of the testator -
Sworn & subscribed before me in open Court
September 4th 1854

Jno. W. Tilly
William B. Moore

(238) State of Georgia } By the Ordinary of said County
 Taliaferro County } To all whom these Presents shall come
 Greeting — Know Ye, That on the fourth day of September
 in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty four the last
 will and testament of William A. Ray late of said County deceased, was
 exhibited in open Court, and in Common form of law proved and admitted
 to record, a Copy of which is herewith annexed; and administration of
 the estate, real and personal, of said deceased, was granted to Mildred A.
 Ray the executrix in and by said will named and appointed, she having
 first taken the oath, and performed all other requisites required by law.
 She is, by order of said Court, and by virtue of these presents, legally author-
 -ized to administer the estate, real and personal, of the said deceased,
 according to the tenor and effect of the said will and testament, and
 according to law — And she is hereby required to render a true and
 perfect inventory of all the estate, both real and personal, of the said
 deceased, and have the same appraised and returned to this Court according
 to law, and to render a true and correct account to this said Court of her
 doings and doings, yearly, and every year untill her administration
 is fully completed.

Witness my hand and the seal of said Court, this the fourth day
 of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and
 fifty four
 Taliaferro County Clerk C. Ordinary
 Office

Georgia Taliaferro County
 The following is a statement of a man en-
 -powered will made by Rebecca Jane Evans late of said County
 deceased on Friday the ninth of June Eighteen hundred fifty
 four in the presence of the undersigned
 The Dec^d. Rebecca Jane Evans on the day above named called upon
 the undersigned John Rhodes, Sr. & Abner Rhodes in the presence of
 the undersigned Henry A. Perkins & Mrs Rebecca Higgins & said
 to them "I think I'll die & if I die I want my mother to have
 all that I've got & wanted them to see that her mother did
 get it — On the same day the deceased Rebecca Jane
 Evans spoke to John Rhodes & told him that she