

Georgia In the name of God. I Meane I William P Edwards
 Jayson County of the State and County aforesaid being weak in body
 but of sound and disposing sound and memory do make this my
 last will and Testament in manner and form as follows.

1st It is my will and desire that my just debt of Every description
 be paid.

2nd I give to my son Thomas M Edwards my negro boy Martin two
 years old worth Six hundred & fifty dollars and should he take him
 in possession before there is any division of my property I want him
 to pay a reasonable hire for him untill that time.

3rd I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Minnie Jane Ann my
 property of Every description untill my youngest child arrives
 at fourteen years of age. I have her during her natural life the
 lot of land on which Eliza Hudson at 40 one hundred and dollars
 in the twenty fourth district of originally Abbeys has my in & incorpore
 also land and three fifths acre out of said lot in the same township where
 land I bought of George Hoffman. It further is my will that if my executors
 think proper they are at liberty to sell the place or lands here some and purchase
 elsewhere with the proceeds the said land to my wife & children. It is further my
 will and desire that my wife shall have the sum of one thousand dollars over and
 above any debts I have with my children and in this event my Executors think
 proper to the price of the land I have some & purchase elsewhere it is my desire
 that my wife have as much of the said purchase during her natural life as she
 needs for a house and cultivation.

4th When my youngest child arrives to the age of fourteen years it is my
 will that my property be sold off and each child that is of age share there
 part the balance belonging to the minor children with my wife part if
 she thinks proper. be kept together as common property and as one acre is given
 to share its share and so continue untill it is all parcelled out.

5th Item. It is my will that what property my daughters may get be
 enjoyed by them during their natural life and after their deaths to go to their
 issue. My daughter Henrietta R M. London should live her life before
 her husband it is my wish that he have the use of her property during his
 life & after his death to the issue of my daughter Henrietta.

6th I do hereby nominate and appoint my beloved wife Minnie Jane Ann
 & my sons James H and Michajah P Edwards Executors to this my last will
 and Testament. The seventh & 8th items are included in the will.

In Witness Whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name this

Eighteen Hundred & fifty six, this 28th February,

Henry H Mangham

Wm P Edwards

James P Thompson

Green Matthews

7th In the event my wife should marry again my youngest child
 to fourteen years of age it is my desire that a division of my property be
 made as described in the will and the same be divided as follows
 in the fourth item.

8th In the event that the boy Martin that I gave to my son Thomas H. Edwards should die before he should become in possession of him that all the heirs should suffer an equal share in the loss

Georgia Baylen County } Before me John Stewardant Ordinary of said County at November
 Terms of the Court of Ordinary personally came Murreford Ann Edwards
 Operating a James H. Edwards & said John P. Edwards Operating of the last will
 and testament of William P. Edwards late of said County and produced before me
 the last will and testament of said William P. Edwards deceased and the trustees
 of said will to wit: Henry H. Mangham, James P. Hays and John Mathews
 which Mathews being duly sworn depose and say that they have William P. Edwards
 the testator sign and declare and publish this instrument according to
 as his last will and testament of said William P. Edwards
 - not any compulsion or influence whatever that at the time of the execution
 of the said will said testator was of sound and disposing mind & memory that
 dependent signed said will as Mathews in the presence of the testator and
 at his special instance and request and in the presence of each other
 seven to and subscribed before me
 in open Court the 2nd day of November
 1837. John Stewardant Ordinary
 Henry H. Mangham
 James P. Hays
 John Mathews

Georgia Baylen County } Court of Ordinary November Term 1837
 The within and foregoing last will and testament of William
 P. Edwards deceased being duly read & proven in open Court
 by the oath of the subscribing witnesses. It is ordered that the same
 be admitted to record.
 John Stewardant Ordinary

Georgia Baylen County }
 Ordinary Court } November Term 1837
 Recorded this third day of November
 1837. John Stewardant
 Ordinary ✓