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Records of the court of ordinary
of Georgia Thomas County
I Edward Blackshear being of sound
mind and perfect memory and knowing
the certainty of death and considering
the uncertainty of this mortal life
do think proper to make certain and
publish this my last will and testament
in manner and form following
viz First, it is my wish and my will
to leave to my beloved wife Emily
G. Blackshear during her natural life time
the plantation houses and lands
whereon I now live after my death
lying on the north side of wolf creek
in lots of land Number two hundred
and ninety five (295) and all that
part of lot of land two hundred and
ninety six (296) which lies on the
north side of said creek lying and
being in the eighteenth district
formerly early now Thomas County
and for her to live on said land and
enjoy all the benefits arising from
the said plantation and lands
during her natural life which shall
be subject to the disposition herein
after provided I do also leave my
beloved wife Emily G. Blackshear
during her natural life after my
death the following negroes of my estate
Jupiter et negro man Hawkins et

negre man old Harry Tabb younger
say negre women and all the negre
children and increase of the said
negre women and for may beloved
wife to enjoy all the benefits
arising from said negrees during
her natural life time which negrees
and their increase shall be equally
divided in shares amongst my
children Elizabeth C. Coulson James
& Blackshear Thomas & Blackshear
Mary L. Hall and Ann & Blackshear
So James & Blackshear Thomas & Black
shear to have and to hold to them
and their heirs forever their said
shares or portions of said negrees but
Elizabeth C. Coulson Mary L. Hall
and Ann & Blackshear my daugh
ters shares or portions of said negrees
shall be subject to the disposition
herein after provided

Secondly it is my wish and my
will after my death that my
two sons (James & Blackshear and
Thomas & Blackshear shall have
and hold the following lots or
tracts of land to be equally divided
in value between them say lots of
land number three hundred and
thirty (303) three hundred and four
(304) three hundred and five (305)
three hundred and thirty five (335)
three hundred and thirty six (336)

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hundred and thirty eight (338) one
part of lot of land number two hundred
and ninety six (296) which lies on the
south side of wolf creek and after
their mother's death Emily G Blackshear
to have and to hold the balance
of lot or tract of land number two
hundred and ninety six (296)
on the north side of wolf creek and
lot of land number two hundred
and ninety five (295) all the above men-
tioned lots or tracts of land lying in
the eighteenth district formerly Early
now Thomas County and together with
all my lands that I may own at my
death not lying in the County of
Thomas To James J Blackshear and
Thomas J Blackshear my sons to
have and to hold to them and their
heirs forever

Thirdly it is my will after my death
that Mary L Hall have the following
lots or tracts of land in the eighteenth
district originally in the Early
County number two hundred and thirty
eight (238) known by the Nelson place
to be an one lot or tract of land number
two hundred and ninety three subject
to the disposition herein after
provided

Fourthly it is my wish and will
after my death that my daughter

Ann & Blackshear have let or tract of
land number three hundred and nine
in the eighteenth district originally early
near Thomas County known by the fact
cloth plantation that is to say what
I own of said let or tract of land two
hundred acres and also one thousand
dollars for the purpose of purchasing
lands for her subject to the disposition
herein after provided
fifthly it is my wish and my will
after my death that all my negroes
and their increase which I die leaving
my daughter Elizabeth & Colson and
and in her possession at this time
belonging to my estate shall be subject
to an equal division with the balance
of all the rest of my negroes otherwise
not disposed of belonging to
my estate at my death shall be
equally divided into equal shares
available to each amongst my children
Elizabeth & James & Thomas &
Mary & and I am to James
Blackshear and Thomas & Blackshear
my sons part of said estate to have
and to hold to them and their heirs
forever But to Elizabeth & Colson
Mary & I shall and Ann & Blackshear
my daughters shares of said estate
subject to the disposition
herein after provided

whatsoever not mentioned here before
I give and bequeath unto my be-
loved wife Emily G Blackshear
for her own proper use and benefit
to have and to hold forever
Lastly it is my will and desire after
my death that the property which
shall become to my several children
of my estate and to my daughters
portions of my negroes and real
estate say Elizabeth G Calson
Mary L Hall and Ann G Blackshear
as aforesaid shall be subject to
the legal control of my truly and
lovely friend Duncan Ray and
my affectionate sons James G Black-
shear and Thomas G Blackshear
which said portions I do by these
words ordain constitute and appoint
my lawful trustees to manage and
protect my three daughters estates
of negroes and lands as specified
in the within by giving unto
them severally the use of said property
for their separate use free from the
control of any other person or
persons whatever from selling or
trading the said portions or shares
to any person or persons without
the permission of my said trustees
which said shares or portions may
be worked and enjoyed by my
said daughters during their natural

Georgia 37
Thomas County 3 Duncan Perry James
& Blackshear and Thomas
& Blackshear do solemnly swear
that the inclosed writing containing
the true last will of the within
named Edward Blackshear dec
ased so far as we know or believe and
that we will well and truly execu
te the same by paying first the
debts and then the legacies contain
ed in said will as far as his goods and
chattels will therewith extend and
the law charge me and that I will
make a true and perfect inventory
of all such goods and chattels so help
me god James & Blackshear
Attest Seal McKinnon C C

Entered this
15th September 1829
Seal McKinnon C C

Georgia Thomas 3 on this 6th day of March
County 3 1830
Personally appeared in open court bein
g at court of record for the County
aforesaid John Brown Sweetman
a resident of the same County
aged 66 sixty six years who being
duly sworn according to law doth in
his oath make the following decla
ration in order to attain the
provision made by the acts of Congress
of the 10th March 1816