

State of Georgia
Towns County

In the name of God, amen.

I, Jarrett Burch, of said state and county being of advanced age and knowing that I must shortly depart this life, deem it right and proper, both as respects my family and myself, that I should make a disposition of the property with which a Kind Providence has blessed me, do therefore (make) this my last will and testament hereby revoking all others heretofore made by me.

1 Item I desire and direct that my body be burried in a decent and Christian-like manner suitable to my circumstances & condition in life. My soul I trust shall return to rest with God who gave it. GAR

2 Item I desire and direct that all my just debts (be) paid without delay by my executors hereinafter appointed as I am unwilling creditors should be delayed as there is no necessity for delay.

3 Item I give, bequeath and devise to my beloved wife, Milly, with whom I have lived in the "stricts quiet" for forty-eight years, lot of land number seventy-five in the eighteenth district of Union County, containing one hundred and sixty acres, about seventy-five acres of which are cleared and is in cultivation, with all the rights, members, and appertanances to said lot of land in anywise belonging free from all charges and limitations whatsoever to her own proper use benefit and behalf forever with full power to dispose of the same at any time previous or by will or deed at her death as she may think proper. I also give and bequeath to my beloved wife in the same unreserved manner thirty-five acres of lot of land number seventy-eight in the county and district aforesaid with ten acres cleared and in cultivation which some of my out buildings is now standing on, the line to commence at the bridge on Hiwassee River and running up said river to the mouth of a certain branch, then up said branch due east to the original line running north with all the rights, members and appertanances to said part of said lot of land in anywise belonging free from all charges or Limitations whatsoever to her own proper use, benefit and behalf forever with full power to dispose of the same at any time previous or by will or deed at her death as she may think proper.

4 Item I also give and bequeath to my beloved wife so much of my house-hold and kitchen furniture as she may choose.

5 Item I also give and bequeath to my beloved wife one horse beast such as she may choose from my stock of horses and three head of cattle such as she may choose from all my stock of cattle.

6 Item I give and bequeath to (my) beloved wife all the rent of my lands until they are sold by my executors the bequest made to my wife is in lieu of her whole dower.

7 Item I give and bequeath to my eight grand children, the heirs of Robert Allen and Lidia Allen, both deceased, eight dollars to wit: Jarrett E. Allen, John Allen, Elbert Allen, Burch Allen, Mary Allen, James Allen, Joseph Allen, Thompson Allen.

8 Item I also give and bequeath to my daughter Milley Wikle, wife of Samuel Wikle, all her right and title in my estate for her own use and benefit free from and exempt from her husband's debts or any husband she may hereafter marry.

9 Item I hereby constitute and appoint my two sons, John Burch and Jarrett Burch, Jr., my executors of this my last will and testament who shall after my decease sell all my property both personal and real that is not mentioned in this will and the amount it brings to be equally divided amongst my living children this May 2, 1856.

Jarrett Burch



Signed, sealed, declared, and published by Jarrett Burch, Sr. as his last will and testament in the presence of us the subscribers who subscribed our names hereto in the presence of said testator at his special instance and request and of each other this May 2, 1856.

A. J. Burch, Thomas Wilson, Enos McHenry, Harrison Gibson

This is a true copy of the will of Jarrett Burch, Sr. located in the Ordinary's Office at the Towns County Courthouse at Hiawassee, Ga. in the Minutes Book 1856-1873 pages 1-3.

This the 21st day of December, 1971.

*C. D. Carson
Ordinary, Towns County*