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Troup County Georgia } The last will and testament
of Abel Gibson of Troup County
Georgia -

I Abel Gibson of the State and County aforesaid
Considering the uncertainty of this mortal life &
being of a sound mind and memory do make
and publish this my last will and testament in
manner and form following viz: First I give
and bequeth to my beloved wife Elizabeth
Gibson the tract of land on which I now
reside during her natural life and at her
death to be sold and divided equally among
my lawful heirs except William Dunsby and
Ebenezer E. Moody, to whom I hereafter bequeth
their respective shares provided her death does
not happen before my youngest child becomes
of the age of twenty one, in that case the land
is to be appropriated to the use and benefit of
those children till the youngest becomes of the age
of twenty one and then the land to be sold and
divided amongst the heirs as above stated.

Secondly - I give and bequeth to my beloved
wife Elizabeth Gibson during her natural life
three negroes viz Frank, Sarah & Vine, Wagon
& harness two horses, three cows and their calves,
all the stock of hogs and sheep, and all the
plantation tools and the same at her death to
be disposed of as she may wish or will - I
bequeth to Ebenezer E. Moody my Son in Law
six months after my decease the sum of ten dollars
to be paid to him by my Executor or Executors
Six months after my decease - I also bequeth to
William Dunsby my Son in Law one negro girl
Linda & to William Elum my Son in Law one negro girl
Vena to my Son Joel Gibson one negro man Jupiter
forward

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to my daughter Ellen Gibson one negro woman Mariah and Child Lydia together with all her future increase. To my daughter Charlotte Gibson one negro girl Read together with her future increase to Luban A. Gibson my Son one negro girl Harriett to Osburn my Son one negro girl Renar to George W. L. Gibson my Son one negro boy Adam. The aforesaid negroes except, the one now in the possession of William Dausby my Son in law to be appraised by five disinterested persons and when they appraised the amount, of appraisement, to be preserved by my Executor or executors till the land be sold and when the amount that on their receives for the negroes shall exceed that of another the deficiency to be made up & equal, and further that those who receives most value for the negroes shall not pay any interest to the others for such value. I further will and bequeath to my five grandchildren (the children of Ebenezer & Mooty and his wife Elizabeth Mooty my daughter) viz Jane Eliza, Cynthia, Elie and Urban Mooty a sum equal to the amount of my Son John's part of my Estate the Said Sum to be held by my Executor or Executors and to be appropriated to them or their benefit at such times and in such ways as I shall seem best to him or them my Executor or Executors until they (my grandchildren) shall either marry or become of age and then the remainder to be paid with legal or lawful interest on the unappropriated part of the Sum from and after twelve months after my decease - The remainders of my Estate goods & chattels together with the present crop except so much as shall be needed for the use of the forward

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plantation to be sold at public auction to the highest bidder, and all my just and lawful debts to be paid out of the same, and if any remains are left that it be put to interest or appropriated to the part due my Grand children. And I hereby appoint, John Gibson, and Laban A. Gibson my sole Executors - In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the twentieth day of July in the year of our Lord One thousand Eight hundred and thirty nine -

Abel Gibson

Signed Sealed published and declared by the above named Abel Gibson to be his last will and testament in the presence of us who have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses in the presence of the testator

John Davidson

Charles H. Griffin

Sam^l Y. Pitt

Georgia Superior Court of Troup County
Sitting for ordinary purposes
September Term 1839
Present,

Jamesell Peale

Collin Rogers

Thos. J. Cook &

Peter W. Lesley, Justice,

The within last will and testament of Abel Gibson dec^d having been duly proven at this regular Term in open Court upon the oath of Charles H. Griffin Samuel Y. Pitt & John Davidson the witnesses thereto Ordered that the same be admitted to Record -

Wiley Wilson c.c.

Recorded 7th Sept. 1839

W. Wilson c.c.