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The Last Will and Testament, of
John Hill dec'd.

State of Georgia. In the name of
Troup County God Amen!
I John Hill of the
County and State aforesaid of full age and
sound mind and disposing, mind and
memory, do make certain, publish and
declare this to be my last will and
testament.

Item 1st I give and bequeath the entire
land or plantation on which I now reside with
the exception of fifty acres more or less lying on
the Witherspoon tract together, with all the move-
able and kitchen furniture to my beloved wife
Sarah Hill to be used managed & cultivated as
she may think proper and to receive take and
appropriate the annual proceeds of such cultivation;
and in the event my said wife should desire to
leave the said plantation then I authorize my
Executors to dispose of said plantation and out of
the proceeds to purchase such other place for my
said wife as she may select. And I further give
to my said wife after my death the privilege and
power to select and choose for her own use & absolute
disposal such and so much of my stock as she
may wish.

Item 2nd I give and bequeath to my said
wife Sarah Hill for her own absolute use and
disposal the following negroes to wit, Chabe a man
and his wife Mariak, Anderson, their son, Judy
Mariak's child and Davo a man & her son a
free eight and property.

Item 3rd All the remainder of my property
both real and personal of which I may be
possessed and to which I have not heretofore
granted and may not hereafter grant to my

Children by deed of gift or delivery) - I will & desire to be applied first to the payment of all my debts and the balance that may be remaining, or that may hereafter come or fall to my estate to be divided among the following named children (those not named I consider having been fully provided for before this) to wit, James Madison, Frederick J. Green in right of his wife and my daughter, Mary Ann, Robert W. Wilkerson in right of his wife (my daughter Elizabeth Ingram, Benjamin Harvy and Allen Crawford, and making such division the amount each of the above named children may have received to be brought into hotchpot and all to be made ultimately equal or nearly so as possible...

For the purposes of such payment and division whether or not such property shall be sold, as also the said I have discretionary with my Executor...

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Item 4th To avoid confusion & difficulty in executing item third I here state that I consider my said children heretofore to have received from my hands the following amounts to wit: James Madison, has received the sum of Eleven hundred dollars. Frederick J. Green in right of his wife has received thirteen hundred dollars. Robert W. Wilkerson in right of his wife has received thirteen hundred dollars. Benjamin H. Hill has received fifteen hundred dollars and Allen C. Hill has received thirteen hundred dollars. I will further state that I consider those children not named in said item third to have received as follows to wit: William P. twenty three hundred dollars; Isaac L. has received fifteen hundred dollars. John Stith has received Eighteen hundred dollars and Martha

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Rebecca has received eighteen hundred dollars
Item 5th I nominate and appoint my wife
Sarah Hill and my son Benjamin H. Hill to
be the Executors and Executors of this my last
will and testament.

Item 6th I wish and request that my son
James H. Hill, would act as a general super-
intendant and agent for my said wife in
her farming business conveyed in them force
and in all other affairs in which she may
need or might be benefitted by assistance.

In testimony whereof, I have this day the twenty
second of May eighteen hundred and forty
eight signed sealed published and declared
freely knowingly and willingly the above to
be and contain my last will and testament
committing my soul to my blessed Saviour,
Amen!

Signed Sealed
and declared in presence of
us and each of us this 22nd
May 1848

Levin Bradford
David Davidson
William Bradford

John Hill

Georgia Superior Court of Wayne County
Sitting for Ordinary purpose, September,
Term 1848.

Present Their Honors

Levi Goer
Nathan Kemrick } Justices
Moses Lee

The within last will and testament of
John Hill late of this County deceased
was this day produced in open Court by
Benjamin H. Hill one of the Executors

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Tharin named and duly and lawfully
 proved upon the oath of David Davidson
 and William Bradford two of the Subscrib-
 ers, Witnesses to the same and who testified
 that, Lewis Bradford also appeared the
 same as a witness with them and in their
 presence and in the presence of testator.
 and Ordered by Court, to be admitted
 to Record this ~~being~~ a regular term
 of the Court. *attest* N. Wilson cco

Recorded 9th September 1848
N. Wilson cco
