

Georgia
Troup County
Aug^t 27th 1859

In the name of God Amen
I John Stinson being much afflicted
in body have thought proper to make
this my last Will

First
Second

I Commit my Soul to god who gave it
I give in Charge all my property both real and
personal to my son John Wesley Stinson for the support
and raising of my Children and supporting my wife
Raney L. Stinson and as they become of age or marry
to give each one Fourteen hundred Dollars that being the
amount I have given off to James A. Stinson and John W.
Stinson and Margaret M. Stinson her share the balance of my
Estate to be kept together as a family until the youngest
child becomes of age or marries. I want my wife to
keep this place the Phillips place where she now lives
as long as she lives and for her to have every thing
here that is necessary for her and the Children to be
comfortable and pleasant I want all of my old
Settlement of land sold and for my wife to have
choise of my negroes and for my Daughter Jane M.
Stinson to have my Rail Road Stock in the Atlanta
and West Point Rail Road I nominate and appoint
my son John Wesley Stinson my Executor to this my
last will and I give him power to see any part of
the Estate when he may think it best for my wife and
Children I am testifying whereof I have hereunto set
my hand and seal the day and year above written
in the presence of

Henry Wat
M. P. Stinson

Robert M. Penning

Troup Court of Ordinary October Term 1859
An Instrument of writing purporting to be the Last
Will & Testament of John Stinson dec^d being
produced in open Court by John W. Stinson the
Executor therein named and the witnesses to said
Will viz: M. P. Stinson & Robert M. Penning
being duly sworn depose & say that they saw John
Stinson sign seal publish and declare of the said
instrument as his last will & testament voluntarily
and freely without compulsion while of sound and
disposing mind and memory and that they signed
said Will as witnesses at the request of John
Stinson in his presence and in presence of each
other and saw Henry Wat sign the same at same
time as witness sworn to and subscribed
before me this 3 day of October 1859
Samuel Curkright Clerk

M. P. Stinson

Robert M. Penning

Whereupon it is ordered by the Court that said
Will be admitted to record as the last Will
& Testament of John Stinson dec^d and that letters
testamentary do issue thereon to said John W. Stinson

named in said will as Executor and that Robert
M Jennings, S A Johnson Henry West Thomas Jennings
& Benjamin Morton be and they are hereby appointed
to make an Inventory and appraisement of the
rights and credits goods & chattels of said deceased all
of which being done letters testamentary were
granted October 1859 Samuel Curtright & Ordy

Recorded 6th October 1859. S Curtright & Ordy

Georgia I Ebenezer Newton of the County
Group County and State aforesaid Make and ordain
the following to be my last will &
Testament viz:

- 1 I Commit My Soul to god who gave it through
the mercy of Jesus Christ
- 2 That My body be buried in a decent and Christian
manner suitable to My circumstances in life avoiding
all useless show and extravagance
- 3 That all My debts be paid as early a period
as My Executor can accomplish that object
- 4 My will is that there should be no sale of my property
after My decease except as hereafter provided for
in this will but that it be kept all together till the
children all settle off or call for a division in either
of which case the Executors can make or cause to
be made such division as will be just and fair
till a final distribution can be effected
- 5 I will and bequeath to My wife E N Newton
six of my Servants to be chosen by herself and in
case she choose the woman Francis as one of the
number the infant child of said Francis shall go
with its Mother and they two be provided for
but one Servant also the house and farm including
all the land where I now live My Carriage books
household and Kitchen furniture together with
whatever portion she may choose of the horses mules
Cows sheep and hogs and farming interests of every
description during her life time if she remain
unmarried
- 6 In case My wife should marry again I will that
the property mentioned in the preceding article
be sold and a division made among the children her
part being made equal at least 1/3 of any one
of the children including all that any such
she may have received from the estate
- 7 My will is that in the distribution of My property
My children should share equally those who have
received nothing as yet are to be made equal to
those who have received the largest portion