

Georgia In the name of God Amen:
 Dough County I John E Wilkinson being in sound
 health and of good mind and knowing that all men
 must die and wishing to dispose of the property with
 which God has been pleased to bless me. I do make and
 ordain this as my last will and testament hereby
 revoking all former wills made by me.

Item 1st I wish to be buried in a plain decent and respectable
 Manner

Item 2nd I wish all my debts paid as soon as possible after my death
 and in the event I should not leave money enough on
 hand at my death to pay them all, my desire is to have all
 my property kept together until they are paid up in full
 from the proceeds of my plantation

Item 3rd I wish my negroes divided as nearly as possible in
 families, of four Lots or Parcels. And three disinterested
 men appointed by the Court of Ordinary to value them
 and then each one of my children to draw for Lots.
 And should one or more of my children draw a more
 valuable Lot than another I wish he or she to pay
 over to the other the difference in cash, so as to make
 them all equal

Item 4th I wish and I desire that my oldest Negroes Male
 and female should be well cared for by my children
 after my death decease.

Item 5th I will unto my son Thomas W Wilkinson his Share of
 my negroes (as specified in Item third) to be his and
 at his death to go to his children and also an equal
 portion of the balance of my property both personal and
 real, and in the event of his death without children
 then equally divided among his Brothers and Sister

Item 6th I will unto my son Thomas W Wilkinson as Trustee
 for my son Edward M Wilkinson his (Edward's) share
 of my negroes (as specified in Item third) and at
 his (Edward's) death to go to my son Edward's children.
 but, should he (Edward) die without children
 then, to be equally divided among his Brothers
 and Sisters. I also will unto my son Thomas W
 Wilkinson as Trustee for my son Edward M Wilkinson
 an equal share of all my personal and real estate
 the same to be used for the benefit of my son Edward
 M Wilkinson and his family and to be equally divided
 between his brothers and sisters in the event he
 Edward M Wilkinson should die without children.

Item 7th I will unto Thomas W Wilkinson as Trustee for my
 daughter Francis M Beasley (the wife of Robert
 Beasley) an equal share of my negroes (as specified
 in Item third) to be held and used for the benefit
 of herself and her children and in the event
 she dies having no children then to be divided
 equally between her brothers. I also will
 unto my son Thomas W Wilkinson (as Trustee
 aforesaid) an equal portion of my personal

- and real Estate for the benefit and use of my daughter Francis M Beasley (Wife of Robert Beasley) and at her death if she leaves no children to be equally divided among her brothers

Item 9th I Will unto my son William W Wilkinson an equal share of my negroes (as specified in Item third) and also an Equal share of all my personal and real property: that I have at the time of my death with the balance of my children.

Item 9th I ordain and appoint my son Thos W Wilkinson as Executor of this my last Will and Testament.

In testimony Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal and publish and declare this my last Will and Testament in the presence of the witnesses named below. This the Tenth day of April One Thousand Eight Hundred and fifty Eight. (1858)

John E Wilkinson
Signed sealed published and declared by the said John E Wilkinson as and for his last Will and Testament in presence of us who in his presence and in the presence of each other and at his request have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses

David L Grimes
P E L Jennings
Coastus W Grimes

State of Georgia

Group County Group Court of Ordinary May Term 1860
The last will & Testament of John E Wilkinson late of said County dec'd being produced in open Court for probate by Thomas W Wilkinson the sole Executor therein named who petitions this Court for leave to prove the same. And Peter E L Jennings one of the three subscribing witnesses in & to said last Will and Testament (the other two witnesses thereto subscribed to wit Coastus W Grimes and David L Grimes not being present at the proof hereof) being duly sworn in open Court deposed and said that He said deponent saw John E Wilkinson the Testator sign seal declare and publish the within instrument now presented for probate aforesaid as his last Will and Testament freely voluntarily and of his own accord & without any compulsion or influence whatever. That at the time of the execution of said within Will said Testator was of sound and disposing mind and memory. That said deponent signed said within will as a witness in the presence of the Testator & at his special instance and request and in the presence of the other two said subscribing witnesses & saw them each and every do so likewise.
Sworn to and Subscribed before me this 7th May 1860
Jamil C. Wright Clerk P E L Jennings

State of Georgia Court of Ordinary May Term 1860
Group County The within last will and Testament of John E Wilkinson dec'd late of said County & having been duly proven at the regular Term in open Court

— upon the oath of Peter E S Jennings one of the three subscribing witnesses to the said last will and Testament (the other two said witnesses thereto not being present as in the above & foregoing affidavit named) It is therefore ordered that the said last will and Testament be admitted to record

Samuel Curtright Clerk

Recorded 9th May 1860

Samuel Curtright Clerk

Georgia In the name of God Amen
Group County I Thomas Hines of the aforesaid State and County now being of sound mind but being advanced in life and knowing that it is ordained that all men must die do hereby and herein make this my last will and Testament revoking and annulling all others heretofore made by me

Item 1st I will and desire that after my death my body be buried in a decent and Christian manner.

Item 2nd After my just debts are paid I will and bequeath to my beloved wife Lucy Hines Two Hundred dollars in money, my negro woman Louisa and her Eldest Child a boy by the name of Lafayette. The said woman to be disposed of as she may think proper at her death and the boy at the end of her widowhood or death to belong to my children. After my death I desire that my wife shall have such household property as she was possessed of at time of our marriage and such as she has made for herself in the meantime.

Item 3rd As I have heretofore given some of my children more property than some others it is my wish that each of them should value what they have received at the time it was given which amount shall be deducted from their probate distributive share of the residue of my Estate.

Item 4th I desire that after the above items are executed that the remaining portion of my Estate be divided equally between my children.

Item 5th I do hereby appoint and constitute my two sons James and Samuel Hines my two executors to have this my last will and Testament faithfully executed. The above and within will of Thomas Hines was executed published signed and sealed this the 20th day of April 1860

Test
Wm P Beasley

A J Hightower

Alvan Evans

Thomas Hines