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He testifies the Executor named, in said Will and it having been proved to the satisfaction of the Court by the evidence on oath of Thomas M. Mayall and Erwin B. Field, Subscribing Witnesses to said Will that it is the last Will and Testament of the said Martha Stephens it is ordered by the Court that the said Will be admitted to record, it having ~~strictly~~ been duly and legally probated; and that the (to-wit) Thomas Mayall Esqr & Marshall. Samuel T. Edmunds, Erwin B. Field, be appointed appraisors in said Estate
Wiley H. Sims Ordaining

Recorded 5th August 1862
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The Last Will & Testament of Thomas Smedley Decr.

- In the name of God Amen. I Thomas Smedley of the County of Travis and State of Georgia being of sound mind and memory and thanks be to Almighty God for his mercy. do this tenth of March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty two make and Ordain this this my last will and Testament in manner and form following (that is to say)
- First I give to my son Thomas M. Smedley my negro man Abraham more than an equal share with the rest of my heirs.
- Second, I give to my daughter Nancy Smedley my negro woman Sarah and her three children Miles, H. G. and Emily and her future increase and then an equal share with the rest of my heirs.
- Third, I give to my son John Smedley an equal share with the rest of my heirs, with the exception above mentioned of Thomas and Nancy.
- Fourth, I give to my daughter Nancy (Frank) an equal share with the rest of my heirs with the exceptions above mentioned. And hereby make and Ordain Thomas M. Smedley her Guardian to act and do her and manage her part of my Estate I give to her for her own use to be disposed of by her as she see fit and not to be subject to her husband or at his disposal in any way whatsoever.
- Fifth, I give to my daughter Lucy Elvadesette an equal share with the rest of my heirs with the exceptions above named. I give it to her and her children exclusively for their use and benefit and not to be subject to her husband or the payment of any of his debts. And I do hereby make and Ordain Robert M. Reese her Guardian to act and do for her so far respects her part of my Estate.
- Sixth, I give to my daughter Elizabeth Atkins an equal share with the rest of my heirs with the above exceptions of Thomas & Nancy. But there is two hundred and eighty five dollars to come out of her part of my estate for her son Robert Smedley which I have given him already.
- Seventh, I give to my son James M. Smedley's Orphan Children (to-wit) William F. Smedley, Ann M. M. Smedley, Eliza B. Smedley now Eliza B. Johnson, Mary Ann Smedley, James M. Smedley, Martha A. Smedley and Julia Anne Smedley an equal share with the rest of my heirs with the exception above mentioned to be equally divided among them.
- Eighth, I give to my daughter Berula Haralson an equal share with the rest

of my heirs except Thomas & Family.
I Make and Ordain my sons John Smedley and, Thomas M. Smedley Executors
of this my last will in trust for the intents and purposes in this my last
contained.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this day and
first above written.

Signed sealed and delivered by the said, Thomas Smedley
at and for his last will and testament In the
presence of us who were present at the signing sealing
and delivering thereof.

Attest Thomas Cannon
Scribe ⁱⁿ John
Jno S. Hill

Georgia 3 Court of Ordanary of said County September Term 1852
Thos Cannon 3 J. Johnson appeared, in open Court Thomas Cannon Scribe John
and John S. Hill subscribing witnesses to the paper writing propounded as the
last will and testament of Thomas Smedley late of said County deceased
who being sworn swore that they saw the said Thomas Smedley sign seal pub
and declare the said paper writing to be his last will and testament the
the said testator signed the same in their presence and that they each
one signed the said will in the presence of the testator and of each other
that the said testator at the time of signing the same was of sound and
disposing mind and memory and that he executed the same freely
voluntarily without any undue influence or coercion so far as they knew
or believe

Sworn to in open Court this 6th day of September 1852. Thomas Cannon
Scribe & J. Johnson
Jno S. Hill

Thomas Smedley one of the Executors of the last will and testament of Thomas
Smedley deceased having propounded the same for probate and record and the
said will having been duly proved on the oaths of Thomas Cannon Scribe John
and John S. Hill the subscribing witnesses. It is ordered, that the same
be admitted to record. It is further ordered that Benjamin Shepherd
James Collier, Thomas Cannon, Thomas Boyd, and William Boyd be appraisers
appraised to appraise said Estate.

Recorded 8th September 1852. Wiley H. Smith Ordinary