

William Shepherd, Will.

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In the name of God. Amen.

I William Shepherd, of the State of Alabama and County of Montgomery, Considering the uncertainty of my mortal life... and being of sound ~~mind~~ and disposing Mind. Do make and publish this my last will and testament, in manner and form following (that is to say)

Item 1st My will and desire is that, my body be buried, in a Christian like manner.

Item 2nd That all my Just debts be paid out of my Estate.

Item 3rd I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Mary and her bodily heirs, One Negro Girl named Harriett, together with her increase for ever, I also give her one good Horse Saddle and Bridle.

But should my Daughter Mary, die without Bodily Heir, this negro Girl Harriett together with her increase, to be returned to my estate, as a part thereof, and be equally divided amongst my Children or their Bodily Heirs.

Item 4th I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Martha and her Bodily Heirs, One negro Girl named Aimey, together with her increase for ever, I also give her one good Horse Saddle and Bridle. And to be disposed of as my Daughter Marys.

Item 5th I also give to my Daughter Elizabeth and her Bodily Heirs, One negro Girl named Linda together with her increase for ever. I also give her one good Horse Saddle and Bridle. And to be disposed of as my Daughter Marys.

Item 6th I also give to my Daughter Sarah and her Bodily Heirs, One negro Girl named Phillis, together with her increase for ever, I also give her one good Horse, Saddle and Bridle. And to be disposed of as my Daughter Marys.

Item 7th I also give to my Daughter Harriett & her Bodily heirs, One Negro Girl, named,

Kenney, together, with her increase for ever, I also give her one good Horse, Saddle and Bridle. And to be disposed of as my Daughter, Marys.

Item 8th I also give to my son Youngs, his wife and his bodily heirs, One negro boy named Madison. I also give him one good Horse, Saddle and Bridle. And to be disposed of as my daughter, Marys.

Item 9th I give to my son George, his wife and his bodily heirs, One negro Boy, John. I also give him one good Horse, Saddle and Bridle. And to be disposed of as my Daughter, Marys.

Item 10th I give to my Daughter, Celiza, and her bodily heirs, One negro Girl named Hagen, together, with her increase for ever, I also give her one good Horse, Saddle and Bridle. And to be disposed of as my Daughter, Marys.

Item 11th I also give to my Daughter, Caroline and her bodily heirs, One negro Girl named Colther, together, with her increase for ever, I also give her, One good Horse, Saddle and Bridle. And to be disposed of as my Daughter, Marys. Now my will is thus, if either of these named Negroes will a to my Children as a love-doe, before they become possessed of them, they then shall Cause my Executors or Administrators, to give them one equal value agreeable to the appraisement of two men, which said Negroe shall be taken from my Estate. And to be disposed of as before named. And that my Children, shall at the age of twenty one year of age or when married, take into their possession the negroes will a to them. Also their Horse, Saddle and Bridle.

Item 12th I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife, Charlotte, the remainder of my real and personal Estate, Goods, Chattels of what kind and nature ~~soever~~ ^{soever}, during her Mortal life or Widowhood. In that my beloved wife Charlotte shall keep, feed, Clothe, nourish, and school my Children out of the residue of my Estate so long as they will stay with her, or remain unmarried. I also wish my beloved wife Charlotte if she Can conveniently give my Children all the help she Can after their Marriage.)

et should my beloved wife Marry. I then give her
two negroes, one named ^{from County Wills 1832-1848} ~~John~~ and the other named ^{www.georgiapioneers.com} ~~John~~
my wife, to have and to hold during her mortal
life, after which, these two named negroes ~~John~~ and
my wife together with their increase to be returned
my Children, or their bodily heirs, and remain for ever
13th My Will is that my Estate be divided equally,
between all my Children or their Bodily Heirs after
all my Children have become twenty one years of
age, or Marry. Also I give to my beloved wife
Charlotte the privilege of selling any, ^{part} of my Estate,
and applying it, to the use of the Estate thereof. I
also give her the power of obtaining in her own
name, at the division, such Stock, Beds and furniture
and other articles sufficient for her use, I also give
her Land sufficient for use. Now should my beloved
wife Marry, then this to be all returned, as part of my
Estate. And equally divided amongst my Children
and their Bodily Heirs. And furthermore I leave my
the whole, sole Executrix of this my last Will
and Testament, revoking all former Wills, until
my two sons, Youngst. Ashford and George Ashford
shall arrive to the age of twenty one years, when they
shall act together, with their Mother, as my Executors
this my last Will and Testament. My wish also
that Charles Griffin will aid and assist my
Council and in anyway, that he may deem
her advantage.

Two William Wilkes of the above named State and
County, do hereby proclaim and declare in the pre-
sents of these Men ~~that~~ my last will and testament
hereof I affix my seal and sign my name to
be same. In the year of our Lord one thousand eight
hundred and thirty five. And in the fifty ninth
year of American Independence. April the 18th
J. Henry Ruff.
Joseph C. Patten.
Haywood Hines.

Wm Ashford (L.S.)

Georgia Troup County, December 8th 1836.

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In open Court before me Henry Reiff, who being duly sworn, saith that he saw William Ashford, sign seal publish and declare the within instrument of writing to be and contain the last will and testament of the said deceased, and that he was of sound disposing mind and memory and that he did it freely of his own will and that he saw Joseph C. Pullin and Hayward Hines, subscribe their names as subscribing ^{with me} with him self and all at the request of the testator, in the presence of the testator, and in the presence of himself, and each other, To help you God.

Sworn to and Subscribed, in open Court, before me, Dec. 8th 1836. 3

Henry Reiff.

Henry Pullin, C. C. O.

Georgia Troup County, La Grange... January Term 1837.

Upon the application of Charlotte Ashford, the nominated Executrix of named in the last will and testament of William Ashford, deceased, and on motion, in open Court, the said Will was ordered by the Court to be recorded, with the probate, and the proceedings on said Will. ... And, which said Charlotte Ashford, was duly sworn in, as Executrix, to the last will and testament of William Ashford deceased, in terms, and in form of Law in such cases made and provided. January 9th 1837.

Attest, Henry Pullin, C. C. O.

The last Will and Testament of William Ashford, deceased, is so Cordea in Book 1. Mills, in the Registers Office, of Troup County.

Georgia, Troup County, D. C. D. D. January 7th 1837.

Henry Pullin, C. C. O.