

Georgia
Appling County

To all whom it may Concern.

I Moses Johnson of the County and State aforesaid, knowing that it is ordained for all men to die, and being in forth health, but of sound & disposing mind and memory, do ordain, constitute and declare this to be my last & only Will and Testament.

first - I bequeath my Soul to God who gave it, & Humbly implore his Pardon & Mercy thereon; my body to the Mother Earth, to be decently interred by my Representatives after my decease.

Second - After the Payment of all my just debts by my Executor hereinafter named I bequeath & dispose of what of the effects of this world, I may be possessed of both real & personal, as follows: that is to say equally between my beloved wife Mary Elizabeth and my three Children, Benjamin Whitfield, James George, and Ann Tyler, Share & Share alike of equal Value & Worth, to be appertained & divided whenever a division shall take place as herein after mentioned, into four equal Shares as aforesaid by three proper & discreet Persons for that purpose to be appointed by the Court of Ordinary.

third - The division of my Property as aforesaid, & when to be made whenever my daughter shall Marry or my Son Benjamin shall arrive at the age of twenty one years; or in this event, my wife shall again Marry - in the event, either the above Contingencies occurring, then said division, to be made as aforesaid, & the Property of my Children that may be at said time under age or not married I wish a final division to be made & to be held out & managed for them by my executor until they become of age - unless my Son Benjamin will assume the Management of the Farm by Consent of my Executor, when of age, in which event & whether my daughter nor wife being at that time married I desire, if it be thought advisable by my Executor that he manage the Farm & Property together for their mutual benefit until they arrive at the age of twenty one years or marry -

fourth - until said division takes place as aforesaid & until my Son Benjamin becomes of age, & during the minority of my Children I wish all my Property kept together & managed by my Executor for the benefit of my wife & children aforesaid believing it to be the best course to be pursued.

fifth - I hereby confer full Power & Authority upon my Executor, hereinafter named & if it should be deemed necessary to do so to sell my Land in the Common Country, & also the Tenant Premises, whensoever I now reside, if the Sale of the latter should at any time hereafter be thought advisable for the purposes of purchasing another place or otherwise - and to make or effect a Sale of any or all of said Lands at Private or Public Sale as they may think best, and also full Power and Authority to do any and every thing connected with the Management of my estate.

they may deem most beneficial & proper. -
I hereby nominate & appoint my beloved Wife, Mary Elizabeth
executor & my friend Butler B. King, Executor to this my last will
& testament.

In testimony of which I have hereunto set my hand & seal
this the twenty third day of November Eighteen Hundred & Forty One.

Signed sealed, Published declared
in presence of us - the undersigned
of "if" and "have," in first sug-
gested & the words "turn" in place
there agreed & in witness before signing,

Simeon M. Tindon

James Garrett

Robert Drayton

Mrs. Johnson Test

Georgia, Court of Ordinary
Upson County, January Term 1842.

The within last will and Testament of Master Johnson having
been duly at this regular term in open Court upon the oaths of
James Garrett and Simeon M. Tindon, Ordered that the same
be admitted to Record.

Thos. H. Brice, C. O. C. C.