

State of Georgia
Upson County

In the name of God. Amen

I Stephen Coker of the County of Upson & State of Georgia, in view of the uncertainty of life and the certainty of death do make & ordain this my last Will and Testament. Chiefly, I commend my soul to the mercy of Him who gave it, & my body to the earth in decent burial; And my worldly substance I make the following disposition -

Item - My will & desire is, that all my property of every kind, consisting chiefly in ten negroes, the settlement on land whereon I now reside about two hundred & fifty & one half acres, two horses, Hay Mower, Plow, Man Mule, my stock of Cattle, hogs & Sheep, my present Crop & my Household & Kitchen furniture with some few debts should be sold on a credit of twelve months by my executor, he requiring good and sufficient security -

Item - As the my estate is reduced to money I will all my just debts paid

Item - When my just debts are all paid I wish the balance of the proceeds of the sale of my property divided into five equal parts; One fifth I hereby give to my Wife Sarah Coker; one fifth I give to the Children of Joseph Coker of the County of Upson; One fifth I give to the Children of Moses Coker of the County of Harris; One fifth I give to the Children of Pelita Hickman of the County of Upson and the other one fifth I give to the Children now living of Anna & John Cannifay, the said Anna being dead & the said John residing in the State of Alabama -

Item - I hereby give all & singular all the rights, titles & interests that I may have in & to any & every other species of property, not herein named, to the said Sarah Coker, the Children of the said Joseph Coker, the Children of the said Moses Coker, the Children of said Pelita Hickman & the Children of said Anna & John Cannifay, & to be divided in the same manner as my other property -

Item - I have always given to my four Children, Paul Coker, & Thomas Coker, who I understand live in Alabama, and Ellen Coker Peggy Coker of the State of Georgia, as much as I wish them to have of my property -

Item - I hereby nominate & appoint James Anderson, Sarah Coker and Obadiah Gibson executors of this my last Will & Testament -

In testimony whereof I the said Stephen Coker have hereunto set my hand & seal this 10th day of October 1844

Signed Sealed & published in presence of us, we signing in the presence of each other & the testator as witnesses

James M. Hightower

Thomas Anderson

John M. Boyton

Stephen Coker

Recorded this 4th March 1845

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That the Special Jury find against the Caveator & in favour of the
Will of Stephen Puse, and that it be admitted to Record in the
Court of Ordinary of Upson County
July 11th 1845

James Spier foreman.

Whereupon it is considered & adjudged by the Court that the
Will of Stephen Puse be admitted to Record in the Court of Ordinary
of Upson County, and that the Executors James Anderson & Obadiah
Gibson do receive of the Caveator John C. Puse —
for their Costs of Suit in this behalf laid out & expended by the Caveator
in Money &c. — July 10th 1845.

Gibson & Co
attys for Executors

Recorded this 4 March 1855.
Wm. J. Allen