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The Last Will & Testament of Arthur Jenkins Deceased
Warren County, Georgia Wills 1829-1852
George Warren County, Georgia
I, Arthur Jenkins of the State & County aforesaid knowing the uncertainty
of this mortal life and the certainty of Death and being of sound
mind & memory Do hereby Constitute and ordain the following
to be my Last Will & Testament in manner and form following
Item 1st I do hereby Will and bequeath unto my beloved wife Nancy
Jenkins during her natural life time the following property (to wit)
The tract of Land whereon I now live with all and singular
the improvements thereon Also all my Stock of Horses, Cattle and
Hogs also all my Plantation tools of every Description including my
Blacksmiths and Carpenter tools Also all my Household & Kitchen
furniture of every description Also seven Negroes named Bill, Frank
Chana, Dolly, Hagar, Dorcas, and a child belonging to Chana
two weeks old not named Also I Will unto my said wife Nancy
Jenkins all the money I now have on hand as also all the Notes
for money due me and also all accounts which Notes and accounts
when Collected as well as the money on hand she is to have after pay-
ing all my just debts for the use and support of herself and the Negroes left
to her And I do further Will unto my said wife for the time above
mentioned One Syke of Oxen and Cart also one Jersey Wagon, but
my Will is that should my wife Nancy Jenkins have more property
of any description left to her by this my Will (except the Negroes) than she
may have a use for or be able to support that she should sell the same
at publick outcry to the highest bidder after Advertising such sale
and the money arising from such sale she is to have and use for her
support and the support of the Negroes left her and my Will is that
after the Death of my wife Nancy Jenkins that all the property
then remaining left to her as well as the natural increase should be
sold and divided among all my lawfull heirs except Lucy Reese
Item 2nd I do hereby Will and bequeath unto my Daughter Sarah
Burkhalter and her heirs for ever a certain Negro Woman and
Child named Melinda and Delpha which is one and above an
equal proportion of my Estate with the rest of my Children
Item 3rd I do hereby Will and bequeath unto my Daughter Lucy
Reese and her heirs for ever a certain lot of Land lying in the County
of Houston when drawn and known by the Number (98) in the
South district which lot of Land is the full share of my estate and
that she have no further recourse or interest in the same
Item 4th My Will further is that all my Property not before
mentioned should be equally divided between my five Children (names)
Benjamin Jenkins, Mordecai Jenkins, Mary Holliman, Elizabeth, and

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I, Sarah Burkhatter and my Will and desire is that my Wife
Nancy Jenkins do hereby constitute and appoint Executors
to my Last Will and Testament. to Deliver up to the afore
named Benjamin Jenkins Mordecai Jenkins Mary Holliman
Elizabeth Love and Sarah Burkhatter all the rest of my
Property not left to her for them to sell, or otherwise make such
disposition or division among themselves as they may think proper
upon their giving my said Wife Nancy Jenkins a receipt for the
same. But my Will is that none of the Property subject
to Sale and division should be delivered up until the Crop
is made and gathered for the ensuing Year. and my Will
further is that the provision on hand both of Corn and meat
at my Death is not subject to division but to be and remain
for the use and support of the family

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand
and Seal this Ninth day of February 1834

Test

Adam Jones
John McCrary
Jesse M. Roberts

Sign'd - Arthur Jenkins

Seal

(Subscribed)

Georgia Warren County } You Adam Jones John McCrary
and Jesse M. Roberts Do swear
that you saw Arthur Jenkins the Testator within name
sign seal and acknowledge the within Instrument as his
Last Will and Testament and at the time of his so doing
he was (in your Opinion) of sound mind & disposing me-
mory and that he did it freely without Compulsion
Sworn to in open Court (So help You God)

Attest
J. Franklin CME

Adam Jones
John McCrary
Jesse M. Roberts

Recorded 12th June 1834 by
J. Franklin CME