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Patrick Norton being weak in body but of sound disposing mind and memory, blessed be Almighty God for the same, do make and publish this my last will and testament, in manner and form following (viz) For the payment of my debts, that my negro man Sam be sold and all my surplus stock consisting of Horses, Mules, cows, Hogs &c. a wagon and all the surplus plantation tools. If the above mentioned property do not pay off all my just debts, I leave it discretionary with my Executors what other property is best to sell for the liquidation of the same. The residue of my property, consisting of land, negroes &c. I bequeath to my beloved wife Honora and to my children (viz), Philip & Leonel Norton, Patrick Henry Norton, Sarah Catherine Norton, John Thomas Norton, Mary Ellen Norton, and if there should be further issue all to share alike. It is my desire that all the property remain together until our youngest child be of age, then the property to remain no longer in common, but to be divided equally between my wife and children. It is my will and desire that if my wife remain unmarried until our youngest child be of age, that she will during her natural lifetime possess the land and houses, and at her death the same be equally divided among all our children. It is my will and desire that the aforesaid property be left under the control of my wife as long as she managing the same with prudence for the support of our children and their education (that is a good English education). But if at any time my Executors see that she is not managing said estate rightly, it is my will and desire that they do take the management of the same into their own hands. It is my will that after all my debts are paid that out of the next surplus funds - a head and foot stone be erected to my memory. It is my will that all the surplus funds that may accrue from the sale of crops of Cotton &c from year to year be laid out in the purchase of negroes for the use of my wife and children.

I hereby appoint John Harty and Hugh Ward, Executors of this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all former wills by me made. I give full power to my Executors to sell and convey any property, either real or personal, without being bound by the usual law of applying for leave of court, or advertising but in all such matters to act as I myself in my lifetime could do. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the fourteenth day of October, One thousand eight hundred and forty three (1843) Signed, sealed, published and declared by the above named Patrick Norton to be his last will and testament in the presence of us who at his request and at his presence have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses.

Patrick Norton, (L.S.)

Michael Ryan

Patrick Ryan

James Ryan  
mark

(See Probate on next page.)

Georgia, You Patrick Ryan & James Ryan do swear that you saw  
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 named Patrick Norton, sign, seal, publish and  
 declare this instrument of writing to be & contain his last Will and  
 Testament, and that at the time thereof he was in your opinion & belief  
 of sound & disposing mind & memory & that he did it freely without  
 compulsion & that Michael Ryan was a subscribing witness to the  
 same with yourselves, at the request of said Testator in his  
 presence & in the presence of each other to the best of your knowledge.

So help you God -

(Signed) Patrick Ryan  
 James Ryan  
 mark

Sworn & Subscribed the  
 in open Court, March 5<sup>th</sup> 1844.

Patrick N. Maddux,

C. C. O

Recorded March 7, 1844, by  
 P. N. Maddux, C. C. O.

Georgia. In the name of God amen -  
 Warren County. I Randolph Ivy, of said State and county,  
 being weak of body but of sound mind and memory, do make  
 and ordain this my last will and Testament - in manner and form  
 following - that is to say, to God I command my soul, and my  
 body to the earth in decent burial; and as respects my temporal  
 concerns; I will that all my just debts be paid -  
 Item first, I give to my son in law, George W. Hillman five  
 dollars and no more.

2<sup>nd</sup> I give to my daughter Eva line Hillman's children, namely  
 Bernadeth Ann Hillman, Roanna Hillman, William Henry  
 Harrison Hillman and Coalman W. Hillman twenty five dollars  
 cash to be paid them by my Executors as they arrive at lawful age.  
 3<sup>rd</sup> All the balance of my estate, whether consisting of Lands,  
 negroes, cash, Stock, debts due, or any other thing or things  
 whatsoever, I give to be equally divided among my living Sons  
 viz: Idaas Ivy, Oliver Ivy, Lazarus Ivy, Lachens Ivy, Brady-  
 ord Ivy, Levi Ivy, Jephtha Ivy and Jobe Ivy, share and share  
 alike.

4<sup>th</sup> I nominate, constitute and appoint my two Sons Lachens  
 Ivy and Lazarus Ivy, Executors to this my last Will and  
 Testament.

In testimony whereof have hereunto set my  
 hand and Seal, this 16<sup>th</sup> day of April, in the year of