

The Last Will & Testament of Rich^d. Walden dec'd.

Warren County, Georgia Wills 1829-1857

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In the name of God Amen.

I Richard Walden of the County of Warren and State of Georgia, being in a low state of health, but in sound mind and memory, and bearing in mind that it is once appointed for all men to die, and as for what earthly treasure it has pleased God to bless me with, I gave demise and bequeath the same in the manner and form following to Viz.

In the first place I recommend my soul unto God and into the care of his holy keeping, and my body to be buried in a plain but decent manner.

Item 1st I gave and bequeath unto my beloved wife Mary Walden ^{during} her life or widowhood the following real estate and personally property the Tract of Land whereon I now live, also the Gibs Tract containing one hundred and seventyfive acres, and one hundred and fifty acres known as the Lague Tract and a part of the Broadby Tract commencing at the upper corner of the Vindom field and running a strait line, to the head of Dykes Branch be the same ^{more} or less. Also six Negroes and all my household furniture, farming utensils and all my stock of every description, consisting of horses, hogs, cattle and sheep, and all my corn, cotton, fodder, peas and potatoes.

Item 2 My Will and desire is at my death for my Negro man Seboy to be sold and the money equally divided among my children with the exception of Pernely Allen her part to be for the use of her children and the use of her body under the management of my Executors for her as her necessities may require.

And the six Negroes and their increase if any at the death of wife to be appraised and drawn for among my children and those that draw the greatest prizes to pay to those who draw the least in proportion to their value Pernely Allen's part to be for the use of her body and her children under the management of my executor as above stated.

Item 3 I gave unto my two daughters Malinda & Phalba Walden one feather bed three bed quilts and three Sheets each.

Item 4 One hundred and fifty dollars when collected to be equally divided among all my children Pernely Allen's part to be managed as above stated.

Item 5 I gave unto my son Alfred at the death of my wife one negro boy by the name of Tom which negro is not included in the above six which my wife is to have during her life or widowhood I also give unto my son Alfred all the above

described lands that is left to my wife after death.

Item 6 I gave unto my wife during her life or widowhood one yoke of steers and cart for the use of the family.

Item 7 I gave unto my son in law Edward Allen five dollars.

Item 8 All my property that is not gave off in this will to be sold after the death of my wife and the money equally as above stated. I do hereby appoint Amos Walden, William G. Walden and Henry Walden Executors of this my last Will and Testament.

Signed sealed and published } ^{her} Nancy Wilcher } ^{his} Richard Walden
in presence of } Jeremiah Wilcher }
Larkin Wilcher

Georgia, } You Larkin Wilcher do swear that you saw Richard
Warren County } Walden, sign, (by making his mark) seal, publish & declare
this writing to be and contain his last Will & Testament. That at the
time thereof, he was of sound disposing mind and memory. And that
he did it freely without compulsion to the best of your knowledge
and that Nancy Wilcher & Jeremiah Wilcher were subscribing
witnesses with yourself and at his request. So help you God.
Sworn to & testified in open court. Larkin Wilcher
this January 4, 1836.

Patrick N. Madday, C.K. & C.

Recorded March 29, 1836. P. N. Madday, C.K. & C.

In the name of God Amen.

I James Dewberry of the County of Warren
and State of Georgia being in a low state of health but of sound
mind make and establish this my last will and Testament
(Viz) First of all I desire that my undenamed Executors shall advertise
and publicly sell all my estate both Real & Personal without
any reserve on the fifteenth day (and days following) of
December next on a credit until the twentyfifth of January
thereafter I then desire that my said Executors pay all my just
debts

(Secondly) I bequeath to my beloved wife Lucy Dewberry
all the remaining proceeds of my property after my just debts
are paid to dispose as she pleases

(Thirdly) I appoint Abner Barden my Executor also I appoint my
wife Lucy Dewberry my executrix. Signed this eighth day of
April 1836 in presence of

James Dewberry.

T. Foster
G. D. Towns
Benjamin Wynne

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