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I, Leaborn Johnson of said State and County being of Middle age and knowing that I must shortly depart this life; deeming it right and proper both as respects my family and myself that I should make a disposition of the property which a kind Providence has blessed me; do therefore make this my last will and testament hereby revoking all others heretofore made by me.
Witness my hand this 1st

I desire and direct that my body be buried in a decent and Christianlike manner suitable to my circumstances and condition in life my soul I trust shall return to rest with God who gave it - as I hope for eternal salvation through the merits and atonement of the blessed Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ whose religion I have professed and as I humbly trust enjoyed for two years.
Witness my hand this 3rd

I desire and direct that all my just debts be paid without delay by my executors hereafter appointed as I am unwilling my Creditors should be delayed in their rights especially as there is no necessity for delay.
Witness my hand this 3rd

I give bequeath and devise to my beloved wife Nancy with whom I have lived in the strictest quiet for two years my lot of land in Warren County where I now live two hundred and seventy acres of one part cleared and in cultivation with all the rights, mortgages and appurtenances to said lot of land in anywise belonging free from all charges or limitations whatever, to her own proper use benefit and behoof forever, with full power to dispose of the same at any time previous or by will or deed at her death as she may think proper. I also give and bequeath to my said wife one half of all the rest of my property, consisting of horses, hogs, cattle and sheep farming utensils, house hold and kitchen furniture also the half of my negroes, viz. a man called Jas about 45 years of age a woman Phally about 40 years of age Anthony a boy about 9 years old - Washington about 6 years old Caroline a girl about 5 years old Bill a boy 3 years old Mary a girl about 1 year old Hannas about 2 years old Sarah about 17 years old, the last two named negroes viz Hannas and Sarah are I want my wife to keep for her

even use or dispose of them by hiring them out as
 she thought fit the other half of said item of said property
 I give to my child which my wife is now pregnant
 with, I want my Brother Amos Johnson to take the
 balance of the negroes and keep them until a division
 is made, which will be when the child comes of
 age, and for three disinterested persons to value them
 and say what they are worth a year for the hire
 of them, for which he is to pay in the estate every
 year, Also to pay over to my wife the money to
 assist her in living or some part thereof if
 she should need it,
 Thus 4th

I hereby constitute and appoint my dear
 Brother Amos Johnson and my worthy friend
 William G. Scruggs Executors of this my last
 will & Testament, this May 15th 1851.

Signed, Deaborn Johnson

Legally sealed and ~~attested~~ and published by
 Deaborn Johnson as his last will and Testament.
 in presence of the subscribers who subscribed our
 names hereto in the presence of said testator, at his
 special instance and request, and of each other
 this May 15th 1851.

William Johnson
 John C. Meier
 Asa Johnson
 Tillman, Pool

Springa Warren County

Personally came into
 open Court John C. Meier William Johnson Asa
 Johnson & Tillman, Pool three of the above named witnesses
 as to the above and foregoing will of Deaborn Johnson
 who being duly sworn said that they saw Deaborn
 Johnson by Wm G. Scruggs Sign Seal publish
 and declare that this Testament of was his
 last will and Testament and that at the
 time thereof he was of sound disposing
 mind and memory and that he did
 it freely and voluntarily and each of
 you signed the same as witnesses at his

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request and in the presence of
seven others to help you God,
Deven in open Court

The 7th day of July 1831

Adam James, C.C.O.

ordered to record

William Johnson

John C. Meier

Lea Johnson

William M. Pood

Recorded July 9th 1831. By

J. M. James County Clerk

State of Georgia Warren County
In the name of God Amen

I Samuel M. Ficklin of the County and
State aforesaid, being in full health but of tender and
decreasing mind and memory, calling to mind the uncertainty
of human life and the certainty of death - and being desirous
of making some disposition of my worldly affairs with
which it has pleased God to bless me, while I have strength
and capacity to do so, Do hereby publish and declare this to be
my last will and Testament, hereby revoking all other last
wills and Testament which I may have made, unto
first I commend my soul to God who gave it and my body
to the earth in decent burial

Second, My will is that all my just debts be paid by my
executors hereinafter appointed as soon after my decease
as they shall be able to pay the same

Item 1st I give unto my granddaughter Adeline Gibson
four hundred dollars in cash,

Item 2nd I give unto my granddaughter Ellen Lynah my
gold watch which I now wear.

Item 3rd I give unto the children of Thomas J. and
Carline Wheeler each two hundred dollars.

Item 4th My will is that the balance of my estate
real and personal and unincumbered be divided by my executors
into three equal parts or portions, the one third I give
to my daughter Adeline Lynah, wife of Dr Edward H.
Lynah for her sole and separate use free from the
contracts, debts, or liabilities of her present or future