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as subscribing witnesses in the presence of the said Testator  
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~~This document contains earth that one of the subscribing witnesses to wit,~~  
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Isaac Burnson has since the signature to the same as a witness ~~has departed~~  
his life, and further that at the time of the signature to the same, this deponent  
believes the testator to have been in his sound & disposing mind & memory.  
Sworn in open court May Term, 1838. E. Perryman, Jr.  
A.D. 1863.

Patrick N. Maddux, c.c.o.

The above witness refused to swear to  
the same that the other swore to; therefore was  
qualified separately in the above form made out by  
Person Petit, Esq. who was employed by the widow of  
Testator to have the Will proved & established.

P.N. Maddux, c.c.o.

Recorded June 6, 1838.

Patrick N. Maddux, c.c.o.

## The Last Will & Testament of Stephen W. Burnley.

Georgia, Warren County.

In the name of God amen.

I Stephen W. Burnley of the county and state aforesaid, being weak in  
body, but of sound disposing mind and memory, and calling to mind the  
mortality of my body, and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to  
die, do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament, and first and  
principally of all I give and recommend my soul into the hands of Almighty  
God that gave it, nothing doubting, but I shall receive the same at the  
general resurrection by the mighty power of God, and my body I recommend  
to the Earth to be buried in decent Christian burial at the discretion of my  
Executors, And as touching such worldly Estate as it hath pleased God  
to bless me with in this life, I give and dispose of the same in the following  
manner & form, to wit—

Item first—I give and bequeath to daughter Caroline Johnson  
one negro woman named Milley with her increase, in addition to  
what I have already given her.—

Item Second—I give and bequeath to my daughter Verica Darkdale a  
Negro man named Sandy (a Blacksmith) a negro man named  
Osborn, a negro woman named Nancy and her increase, a negro  
woman named Phoebe and her increase in addition to what she has already  
received.—

Item Third - I give and bequeath to my daughter Harriet Howard,

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a Negro woman & boy and her children in addition to what  
she has already received -

Item fourth - I give and bequeath to my son James Lawrence Burnley  
One negro man Lissie (a Carpenter) one negro man named Tom,  
one negro man named Dex, one other negro man named Major, one negro  
woman named Barbary and her child Ducky and the increase of the said  
Barbary -

Item fifth - I give and bequeath to my son Perry Jackson Burnley,  
One negro man named Modes, One negro man named John, One negro  
man named London, One negro boy named Brown, One negro girl named  
Zephyr & her increase, Negro woman named Dorcas & her increase -

I give & bequeath to my mother in law Mary Janet One Bay  
share, at her own disposal, I also lend to the said Mary Janet  
during her natural life a negro girl named Phillis, and at the death of  
the said Mary Janet the said negil & her increase to go to my son  
Perry Jackson Burnley

I give and bequeath to my two sons named Lawrence and Perry  
Jackson Burnley, the tract of Land wherein I now live, containing six-  
hundred and seventy eight acres, also the following adjoining tracts of  
Land to wit six hundred acres lying on both sides of the mill creek,  
Two hundred and fifty acres granted to Knipper, Three hundred acres  
granted to Pratt Brooks, Three hundred acres granted to Welsh, Two hundred  
acres granted to Pratt, Seventy three acres granted to myself  
with all the machinery attached thereto, of grist and sawmill, cotton gin &c.

I also give and bequeath to my two sons named Lawrence & Perry Jackson  
Burnley all my stock of all kinds, of horses, cattle, oxen, sheep, hoggs &c.  
all my household and kitchen furniture, plantation tools &c - with the  
crop of corn, fodder, grain &c - now on hand, as also that which is now  
growing on the premises of corn cotton, grain &c - and lastly it is my  
wish and desire that my two sons aforesaid do take care of, and  
nicely maintain & support their grand mother Mary Janet during  
her life-time - I nominate and appoint my two sons aforesaid

James Lawrence and Perry Jackson Executors to this my last will  
and testament, ratifying & allowing this and nothing to be my last  
will & testament hereby revoking & disannulling all former wills  
and testaments by me at any time heretofore made -

In testimony whereof the said Stephen W. Burnley hath  
hereunto set his hand and Seal the twentieth (20th)

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day of May Eighteen hundred and thirty seven. (1837)  
Warren County Georgia Wills 1829-1852  
www.georgiapioneers.org, sealed and declared to be the last Will and Testament  
of Stephen W. Burnley. —

Stephen W. Burnley, *(Signature)*

Jacob A. H. Riviere.

F. L. Tamm.

Elisha Burson.

Georgia you Jacob A. H. Riviere, F. L. Tamm, and Elisha Burson do swear  
Warren County, that you saw Stephen W. Burnley sign, seal, publish and declare  
this instrument of writing to be and contain his last Will and Testament,  
and that at the time of so doing he was in your opinion and belief,  
of sound disposing mind and memory, and that he did it freely  
without compulsion to the best of your knowledge, and that you  
all became subscribing witnesses to the same at the said Testator's  
request.

So help you God.

Jacob A. H. Riviere.

François L. Tamm.

Elisha Burson

Sworn in open court,

May Term, 1838.

A. E. Z.

Patrick M. Madden, C. C. A. C. S.

Received June 6, 1838.

P. M. Madden, C. C. A.