

State of Georgia
Washington County.

I, Bennett B. Shells of said State and County, being now in better health, but of sound and disposing mind and knowing not at what time I may be called from this life, with a view to some disposition of my effects, that God has kindly given into my hands.

Item 1st. That all just debts, that may be outstanding against me at the time of my death shall be paid as soon as may be convenient after my death.

2^d. It is my will for all my property of which I may be possessed at the time of my death, viz and above the payment of my just debts, be held together under the control of my executors to use for the support of my beloved wife Alice Shells, and for the further support and education of his two children Lucinda O. W. and Alice B. Shells until the youngest is five or eighteen years of age, at which time I will each of the above named children be given out of my estate a good bed and furniture, or an amount in money is equal to same, after this is done I will that the remainder of my estate is equally divided among all my children, namely George W., Jesse S., John C. Shells, Mary Ann, Lucy Ann, Emma Bridges, Lucinda O. W. and Alice B. Shells. My wife Alice Shells if still in life and unmarried shall also receive a child's part. Provided however that all the above named be in life. Should any have died leaving no child or children of the division they will not inherit, and those in life or having children to represent them will be entitled to inherit in my estate.

3^d. I will to John O. Shells, Emma Bridges, Lucinda S. W. and Alice B. Shells one cow in each of the above named children, or that amount in money equal to the value of one cow to each of the above four children. I O. Shells and Emma Bridges to have their cows as soon as convenient after my death. The other two minor children to have theirs when they become eighteen years old.

4th. I do hereby appoint my sons Jesse S. and George W. Shells, Executors to this my last Will and Testament this December 21st 1887.

Bennett B. Shells (T.S.)

signed, published and sealed in

the presence of.

L. J. Garner

J. S. Walker

J. G. Amerson.

Georgia

Washington County.

Court of Ordinary. April Term 1888.

J. L. Garner do swear that I as well as J. S. Walker and J. G. Amerson saw the above named Bennett B. Shells sign and publish the foregoing paper as his last Will and Testament, that I subscribed the same as a witness thereto at the open instance and request of said Bennett B. Shells and in his presence as did also J. S. Walker and J. G. Amerson; that the said Bennett B. Shells signed the same freely and voluntarily, and was at the time of such signing of

sound and disposing mind and memory.

J. S. Linn

Sworn to and subscribed before me

this 2^d day of April 1888

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I, J. S. Linn of said County and State, bearing that in life may end at any moment and wishing to make some disposition of my property before that event, and while of sound and disposing mind and memory do make this my last Will and Testament.

Item 1st I give, bequeath and devise unto my mother Martha F. Jones and my all craves and expectations whatever, to her own proper use, comfort and benefit forever - all of my property either personal or real estate.

Item 2^d I hereby constitute and appoint Martha F. Jones Executor of my last Will and Testament.

Enacted this 18th day of April 1888.

J. S. Linn

Signed, declared and subscribed to by J. S. Linn, as his last Will and Testament, in the presence of us the undersigned, who subscribe our names hereto, in the presence of said Testator at his request and in each other's presence in our presence and we signing in his presence.

Witnessed by me

J. S. Linn

J. S. Linn

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Court of Ordinary, July Term 1888.

I, Thomas H. Adams do swear, that as well as Alexander Smith and John S. Linn saw the within named J. S. Linn sign and publish the within paper as his last Will and Testament that I subscribed the same as a witness hereto at his special instance and request of the said J. S. Linn in his presence and also the two other witnesses - and that the said J. S. Linn signed the same freely and voluntarily, and was at the time of signing of sound and disposing mind and memory.

J. H. Adams

Sworn to and subscribed before me July 2^d 1888

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