

Harrel Horton

State of Georgia
Washington County

In the name of God Amen.

I Harrel Horton of said County and State being of advanced age and knowing that I must shortly depart this life deem it right and proper, both as respects my family and myself, that I should make a disposition of the property with which a kind Providence has blessed me do therefore make this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all other Testaments made by me.

1st Item = I desire and direct that my body be buried in a decent and Christian like manner, suitable to my circumstances and conditions in life. My Soul I trust shall remain with God, who gave it, as I hope for eternal salvation through the merits and atonement of the blessed Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

2nd Item = I desire and direct that all my just debts be paid without delay by my Executor hereinafter appointed as I am unwilling my Creditors should be delayed in their rights.

3rd Item = I give and bequeath and direct to my Son Henry H Horton one hundred and eighty acres of land to be laid off of my land as follows commencing at a Black Gum Corner, and run and running a straight line across the East part part of my land as to make the one hundred and eighty acres, with all the rights members and privileges to said land in anywise appertaining or belonging thereto. Also the said Henry H Horton is to have the use of my Gin packing house and sugar mill to Gin and pack his own Cotton and to make his sawp free of charge by the said Henry to help him therein.

4th Item = I give bequeath and direct to my minor Children, George F Horton Kinchen R Horton Clifford A Horton Gustav H Horton all the remainder of my Plantation all of my Stock including mules horses cattle dogs sheep and all my plantation tools, household and kitchen furniture and all of my perishable property not named above to keep together for the said Children. Also my beloved wife Martha F Horton as to have her support out of the said property, so long as she lives or remains a widow. At her death or Marrying the above property to be equally divided among my above named Children to wit George F Horton Kinchen R Horton Clifford A Horton and Gustav H Horton. Also I wish my beloved wife and four Children all to remain together in my place. And I appoint my Son Henry F Horton Judge of the property herein given and bequeathed to my Children.

5th Item I hereby constitute and appoint my son Henry H Horton and my worthy friend William E Brown Executors of this my last Will and Testament this December 27th 1869

Harrel Horton Lth

Signed sealed declared and published by Harrel Horton as his last Will and Testament in the presence of us the subscribers who subscribed our names in presence of said Testator at his special instance and request and of each other this December 27th 1869

William H Sheppard
H J Brown, J W Brown
David X Melch