

Richard Gordon

Georgian Washington County — Personally Came before me William B White of the County of Crawford in said State who being duly sworn says that the attached two pages is a true copy of the Will of Richard Gordon late of said County deceased as was of file and record in the Court of Ordinary in Washington County, that the paper here offered was copied from the record of Wills in the Ordinary Office which record has been destroyed by fire and that the probate here attached is the same as it appears upon record, This deponent having had access to the records copied the same for his own private purposes, and the copy here presented is a just and true copy of said record of the last Will & testament of Richard Gordon, that this deponent is informed and believes that there is no other copy of said will extant as the files and records were destroyed by fire in 1855

Sworn to and subscribed before
me this 18 July 1859
Beverly D Evans
Notary Public &c

William B White

John I. Long

Georgia

Washington County

In the name of God Amen

I John I Long of the County and State aforesaid, being of a sound and disposing mind and Memory, but knowing the uncertainty of life do publish and declare this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking and annulling all former Wills by me made,

Item 1st It is my Will and desire that my body be returned to its mother earth in a Christian burial under the the direction of my sister Margaret Telfair my brother Richard H Long and my Sister Sarah R Ambrose who know my views on this subject, but are hereby directed to do just as they please, And I trust that my soul will return to God who gave it, to enjoy eternal happiness

Item 2^d I give to my sister Margaret Telfair the following property to wit old Reddick, little Reddick, Peter Dick Mary, Poley, Clara, Charles and Henry my Naggoner, these servants have either wives or husbands on my said sister's plantation or that of my niece Alberta Miller and I give them to my sister in order that they may not be separated

Item 3^d I give to my nephew Nicholas A Long in trust for my brother Richard H Long during his lifetime the following property to wit, Sarah, Louisa, Littleton Madison, George, Jackson, Emory Pally, Emanuel, Patience Sandy, Elizabeth and her two children Royan and Sally, and at the death of my brother Richard, it is my will and desire that my said nephew as trustee as aforesaid shall then make an equal division of said negroes, and their increase between the children of my niece Rebecca Battigall daughter of my

said Brother Richard, The said trustee executing deed to each for their respective shares, at the time of said division, it being my purpose to vest the fee simple of said property in said children of my deceased niece the said Rebecca Battelle

Item 4 I give to my sister Sarah Rebecca Rombert widow of James Rombert late of Tennessee deceased, forever in fee simple the following property to wit Fanny, Polly, Judy, Finner, Ralph Bob, Rosetta, Frank Daphney wife of Frank Ann, Orlando, Estelle, Anthony William Lipes, Ned, Sylvia, Larina, Moses, Spencer and Lucy. The same negro to be her own property with their increase absolutely and forever and to be disposed of as she may see fit

Item 5 I give to my nephew William J Neems the son of my deceased sister Eugenia the following property in trust for his children now in life or that may hereafter be born to him to wit Old Peggy Matthew Rebecca, little Peggy and her child George, Elephus and her two children Lemuel and Mary, Robert or Bob a naggoner Francis the Blacksmith, and Delphia his wife, Sam, Cherry Vera Ahloa, Nicholas, Nathaniel Gessler and Ellick and Flora his wife and her two children. The said property to be controlled by my said nephew as trustee as aforesaid for the support and education of his said children, and the overplus for his own use and benefit during his life not touching the Corpus of the property or its increase, it being my purpose to vest these absolutely in fee simple in his children

Item 6 I give to my nephew Nicholas A Long and Felix G Long in trust for my niece Ann Pierce, the daughter of my brother Richard A Long during her natural life free from the use and control of her husband in any manner. the following property to wit Moria and her two children Julia and Annie and their increase to be held in trust as above for the sole and separate use of my said niece until her death when said property and its increase are to vest absolutely in fee simple in her children. but if she shall die leaving no child or children at the time of her death then it is my will and desire that said property be equally divided between said Nicholas A Long and Felix G Long

Item 7 I give to Nicholas A Long in trust for Margaret Long daughter of my nephew Thomas J Long and Theodora his late wife the following property to wit Levin, Hannah and her infant child and should Margaret Long die leaving at the time of her death no child or children then it is my will and desire that said property vest absolutely in her father the said Thomas J Long

Item 8 I give to my nephew Nicholas A Long the following property to wit, Jim and my mare and colt to be his own property absolutely and forever in fee simple

Item 9 It is my will and desire that my executors herein after to be named (if they shall find it necessary for the payment of my debts, shall sell Aaron Augustus and Felix and if any overplus after selling or if not necessary to sell them to pay debts still to be divided and divided the proceeds arising from their sales equally between Nicholas A Long, Felix G Long, Leewellen Rombert Thomas J Long and William J Neems

Item 10th It is my will that all the residue of my estate whether in land or personal property be sold by my Executors hereinafter to be named and applied with all reasonable dispatch to the payment of my debts, and after the paying off of said debts, then it is my will and desire that the surplus of money be equally divided between my nephews Nicholas A Long Thomas J Long Levellin Kimbrell Ellis G Long and William J Meems

Item 11th I hereby nominate and appoint Nicholas A Long, William J Meems & Levellin Kimbrell Executors of this my last will and testament

John J Long

Signed sealed declared and published by John J Long as his last will and testament in the presence of us the subscribers who subscribed our names here in the presence of said testator at his special instance and request and of each other this September the 1st 1859.

James R Smith
Jesse Pannel
Evan P Howell

State of Georgia
Washington County } Before me Henrywood Brooking, Ordinary of said County in vacation personally came Nicholas A Long and William J Meems, two of the Executors of the last will and testament of John J Long deceased late of said County and produced before me the last will and testament of John J Long deceased, and the witnesses of said will to wit, James R Smith Jesse Pannel, and Evan P Howell which witnesses being duly sworn depose and say that they saw John J Long the testator sign seal declare and publish the instrument now presented as his last will and testament freely voluntarily and of his own accord and without any compulsion or undue influence whatever that at the time of the execution of the said will said testator was of sound and disposing mind and memory, that deponents signed said will as witnesses in the presence of said testator and at his special instance and request and in the presence of each other

Sworn to and subscribed
before me this Sept 8th 1859
Henrywood Brooking Ordinary }

James R Smith
Jesse Pannel
Evan P Howell

To Richd H Long — You are hereby notified that we shall on the first Monday in October next appear before the Court of Ordinary of the County of Washington and State of Georgia at Sandownville for the purpose of proving the will of John J Long deceased, late of said County, dated this 8th September 1859.

Richd A Long Ex-
J W Meems Ex-
Richd H Long

I acknowledge service on the above, Maryanna Ellenton 18th Sept 1859
To Margarette Selfair

You are hereby notified that we shall on the first Monday in October next appear before the Court of Ordinary of the County of Washington State of Georgia at Sandownville for the purpose of proving the will of John J Long deceased, late of this County and State

September 8th 1859

Nick A Long Exr
Jm J Meems Exr

I acknowledge service on the within. The above paper I have read to Mrs M Selfair. she is unable to place her signature to it from her illness and nervousness

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agt of Mrs M Selfair

Georgia

Washington County } To Sarah R Rembert

You are hereby notified that we shall on the first Monday of October next appear before the Court of Ordinary of the County of Washington and State of Georgia at Sandersville for the purpose of proving the Will of John J Long deceased late of said County dated this 8 September 1859

Nick A Long Exr
Jm J Meems Exr

We acknowledge service on the above waving notice

S R Rembert
Sarah R Rembert

To F H G Long

You are hereby notified that we shall on the first Monday in October next appear before the Court of Ordinary of the County of Washington State of Georgia at Sandersville for the purpose of proving the last Will and testament of John J Long deceased late of said County dated this 8th September 1859

Nick A Long Exr
Jm J Meems Exr

I acknowledge service on the above

Felix H G Long

To Ann J Pierce

You are hereby notified that we shall on the first Monday in October next appear before the Court of Ordinary of the County of Washington and State of Georgia at Sandersville for the purpose of proving the will of John J Long deceased late of the County and State aforesaid, dated 8 September 1859.

Nick A Long Exr
Jm J Meems Exr

I acknowledge service on the above

Ann J Pierce

To Thomas J Long

You are hereby notified that we shall on the first Monday in October next appear before the Court of Ordinary of the County of Washington and State of Georgia at Sandersville for the purpose of proving the will of John J Long deceased late of said County and State aforesaid dated this 8 September 1859

Nick A Long Exr
Jm J Meems Exr

I acknowledge service on the above

Thos J Long