

Martha A Matthews

State of Georgia
Washington County } In the name of God Amen

I Martha A Matthews of the County and State aforesaid for reasons known to myself desire to arrange my worldly matters while I have life and strength to do so. do make this my last will and testament in manner and form as follows -

Item 1st It is my will and desire that all my just debts be paid that I may be wrong at the time of my death, and that my body be buried in a decent and Christianlike manner in the faith that that I have so long confessed that my Soul will return to rest with my Heavenly Father who gave it me to rest forever not doubting his promises in the least, that they will be fulfilled in every respect and I hereby revoke all former wills by me made

Item 2nd I give and bequeath to my beloved Sister Sarah Jackson the wife of Thomas Jackson who are now living with me, the whole of my estate both real and personal to her and her heirs forever without specifying any species of property whatever but to be taken by her in the whole in fee simple.

Item 3rd I do hereby nominate and appoint my Cousin Edwin L Adams sole Executor to this my last will and testament

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 28th day of April 1871.
Martha A. Matthews

Signed sealed published and declared by Martha A. Matthews the Testatrix to be her last will and testament in the presence of us the subscribers who hath hereto subscribed the same as witnesses in the presence of the Testatrix and in the presence of each other this 28th day of April 1871

Bryant Watkins
W. J. Jordan
A. F. Higgins

Lewis Pilcher

Georgia Washington County - In the name of God Amen

I Lewis Pilcher being at this time sore in health, but sound in mind do hereby make my will and testament in manner and form as follows

Item 1st I will my Soul unto God its Creator and my to the earth in decent burial

Item 2nd After my death I desire all my just debts if any to be paid off by my Executor as soon as possible

Item 3rd I will and bequeath unto my beloved wife Emily Pilcher, one third of my land I live on including the House and all the improvements thereon with full privilege to Vin House for and raising gear to use as she may need to grow her own crops, said land adjoining Alfred Carey on side, the Apalachicola River on the East David Dick's and others on the West. Also two Hairy Hides one sorrel and a bay one, Also all my Cattle and Hogs with all my Household and Kitchen furniture also one two Horn Wagon and pair One spoke of Oxen Cart, and all my plantation tools plow and plow gear

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Lewis Pelcher

All of said property real and personal I give to my beloved Wife during her natural life with the proviso if there is more stock of Cattle and Hogs than she can support to be sold off by my Executor to be divided between my heirs as hereafter mentioned. I also give my said Wife my Blacksmiths tools for her use as aforesaid. My will and desire is that my son in law Matthew Fulgham take full charge of all the property left to my Wife and manage the same for her use and benefit and receive a reasonable compensation for his trouble. Also my will is that my son in law Matthew Fulgham have use and enjoy that portion of my land whereon he now lives during the natural life of my beloved Wife free from rent or charge. And whereas I am due my Grand Daughter Sarah E Lewis Five hundred Dollars. I desire my Executor to pay the same to her out of my estate or in her coming of age. Also if my Grand Daughter Emma A Fulgham should marry my will is that my Executor pay her Five hundred Dollars to be charged against her in a final Division. Also I have sold my son William a certain part of my land for the sum of One thousand Dollars which amount is to be charged against him in a final settlement. After the death of my said Wife my will is that all of Estate both real and personal of every description then remaining to be sold and equally divided between my Children and Grand Children share and share alike to wit William Pelcher Susan Fulgham Emma A Fulgham and Sarah E Lewis. And I do hereby nominate and appoint Matthew Fulgham Executor this my last Will and Testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 9th day of May 1871

Lewis Pelcher, ¹³¹Exr.

Signed & sealed in presence of }
W W Colman
Alfred Gray
Joseph W Harrison }