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Martha Jackson

State of Georgia
Washington County

In the name of God Amen, I Martha J Jackson of Washington County Georgia, being of sound and disposing mind and discretion, although feeling the infirmities of age, and realizing the uncertainties of life, do make this my last Will and testament, dated in the County and State aforesaid on the first day of August in the year of Our Lord eighteen hundred and fifty two, hereby revoking any and all former Wills & Testament First Should my death occur in the County of Athens, Georgia I desire and direct that my body be laid by that of my late beloved Husband Doctor Henry Jackson in the Town Cemetery. Should it occur elsewhere, I wish my remains to be decently buried at as little expence and trouble as possible.

Secondly I direct that all my just debts be paid as early as may be conveniently done after my decease.

Thirdly I give and bequeath to my dearly beloved Grand daughter Sarah Martha Brinn the sum of One hundred dollars to be put at interest until she marries, of course of age and then to be given her that she may purchase with it something to remember her Grand Mother by, who left it to her as a testimony of her affection. Knowing that she had a full dispensency of property.

Fourthly I give and bequeath to my dearly beloved daughter Sarah M. R. Brinn all my portion of the Household and Kitchen furniture including plates and dishes, with the exception of one feather Bed and Mahogany which I give and bequeath to my dearly beloved Son Henry R. Jackson. This property to be subject to the same restrictions and limitations as are full set out in the next or fifth item of this Will.

Fifthly I desire that the residue of my property both real and personal after the payment of my debts and the legacies hereby mentioned shall be divided into two equal shares, one of which I give devise and bequeath to my said son Henry R. Jackson and his heirs forever, and the other of which I give devise and bequeath to my said daughter, Sarah M. R. Brinn to have and to hold the same absolutely in her own right free from the debt and liabilities of her present or any future husband for and during the full and term of her natural life, she enjoying all profits and avails thereof, and after her death then to be divided equally between her children, should any child have died leaving children, such children to take the share of the parent to whom and their heirs forever, But should the said Sarah M. R. Brinn die without leaving issue living at the time of her death, then all the property hereby given devise and bequeathed unto her, I give devise and bequeath to my said son, Henry R. Jackson, or his surviving heirs, should he be dead, to his and their heirs forever.

Sixthly As it will probably be necessary that a portion of my property should be sold to pay my debts, it is my desire that

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My interest in the land and the plantation. Most of the plantation is in Washington County: now known as Moreton, should be sold for that purpose.

It is my desire that my negroes should not be sold in order to make the divisions between my said son and daughter, but that they should be valued and be divided as nearly as possible into the two following parcels - one to consist of Lewis and Pally, William and his wife Martha and their issue if they should have any, which I desire should go to my son Henry, and the other to consist of old Joshua and his wife Fanny, Bob and his wife Harriette and my girl Eliza and their issue should either of the females have children, which I desire should go to my daughter, Sarah, and if one of the parcels thus apportioned should be more valuable than the other, then I desire that the difference should be made up from my other property, should any. Such should remain after payment of my debts, but should none such remain, the difference to be paid by the party receiving the larger share.

Seventhly, I hereby nominate constitute and appoint my son Henry B Jackson, my son in law Oliver H Prince and my nephew Howell Cobb to be executors of this my last Will and Testament - In Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal on the day of the date hereinbefore expressed.

Signed sealed published
declared by Martha I
Jackson to be her last Will
and testament in our presence
who have signed the same as
Witnesses, shreds on this first
day of August 1852, the word
"appoint" having been interlined
Green Whiddelen
Eli B Whiddelen
William Bailey

Martha I Jackson

Proven and admitted to record December Term 1855 and
admitted to record Maywood Brooks Clerk