

Rebecca Whitfield

Georgia Washington County— In the name of God Amen

I Rebecca Whitfield of the County and State aforesaid, being desirous of arranging my worldly matters, while I have my mind and memory 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 including a debt I now owe my negro man John & Jim for Corn, be paid as soon as practicable after my death

Item 2^d I give and bequeath to Thomas M. Harris in trust for Ellen Whitfield my negro woman Ciba and her three children Mary, Fed. and John and her future increase with one years provision for them for the sole use and benefit of the said Ellen Whitfield, not subject to the debts, contracts or obligations of her present or any future Husband, she having the authority to dispose of the said negroes through the said Thomas M. to whom she pleases except his present or future Husband.

Item 3^d I give and bequeath unto my two nieces Mary E. Rogers and Rebecca Whitfield, One Bed and furniture each, and after the payment of my debts my Will and desire is that all the balance of my property, of every kind be equally divided between my said two nieces, Mary E. Rogers & Rebecca Whitfield and the children of my niece Sarah & Brookins and the child of my Nephew J. W. Rogers deceased share and share alike, so that the children of the said Sarah and J. W. Rogers is to receive one fourth each of the property, so divided being only the portion that Sarah & J. W. Rogers would receive were they in life at the time of the Division

Item 4th I do hereby nominate and appoint my friend Thomas M. Harris the Executor, of this my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all former Wills heretofore made by me.

In Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seal, by making my mark, this 12th day of April 1865

Rebecca Whitfield *(Signature)*

Signed, Sealed and declared by the Testatrix to be her last Will and Testament in the presence of us the subscribing Witnesses who subscribed our names, as such in presence of the Testatrix and in the presence of each other, this 12th day of April 1865

James E. Lewis
Lurany Murphy
Phronia Dwyer

Georgia Washington County

Personally Came before me
Waywood Brooks Ordaining in and for said County
Lurany Murphy formerly Lurany Myers, who being duly
Sworn depose and say on oath, that she saw Rebecca Whitfield

Rebecca Whitfield

Sign Seal & declare the within instrument with its obligations and
 interlimitations, to be her last Will and Testament, and that she was in
 perfect mind and memory at the time, and done so without any
 undue influence exercised over her at the time but signed it by
 making her mark freely voluntarily & with her own accord in the presence
 of this deponent James C Lewis and Thornea Wayne who signed it as
 witnesses, in the presence of the Testatrix and in the presence of each other
 at her special instance & request

Sworn to and subscribed before me in view of Court this 31st day
 of July 1868.

Wesleywood Brooks Ordly.

Lurany ^{h. Murphy} Mark

Redding Pate

State of Georgia - In the name of God Amen,

I Redding Pate of the County of Washington and
 State aforesaid knowing it is appointed for all men once to die, and
 taking into consideration the necessity of disposing of such worldly
 effects as it has pleased God to bless me with, And being weak in
 body but of sound disposing mind and memory, do make Ordain and
 declare this to be my last Will and Testament in the plain and words
 following to wit,

Imprimis, I give and bequeath my Soul into the hands of
 God who gave it, and my body to it, mother earth, to be buried in a
 Christian like manner, at my death.

Now, My Will and desire is that all my just debts shall be paid
 paid from the sale of my property, as herein after provided, And
 should my Executors hereafter named, have to borrow money at an
 interest over eight per cent to pay my debts with. It is my Will and
 desire that such Executors, be paid out of my estate before any dispo-
 sale.

Now, I give and bequeath to my Son John H Pate, Redding H Pate
 and Anthony C Pate being all the Children I now have, but should
 my Wife Elizabeth have any more Children before my death or within
 nine months hereafter, they all to have an equal share of the following
 tract of land to be divided among themselves, when John H Pate
 arrives at the age of twenty one and so on successively, as the coming of
 age til all shall have received his portion to wit, Six lots four
 tracts and a piece in Houston No one and ten in the north, part
 of lot A fifteen in the tenth district, A eighty five in the tenth dist.
 A fifty eight in the fifth district, Also A three hundred and six
 in the seventh Early now Baker County, Also one other tract in
 the fifth district of Ga, A two hundred and thirty seven, now Hamilton
 County, also A 102. one hundred and forty two, in the twelfth of Hamilton
 now Salaski County, if not sold, to be sold by my Executors or Executors