

Uriah Jenkins Will

In the name of God Amen.

I, Uriah Jenkins of the County of Washington State of Georgia, being weak in body though sound in mind and knowing that life is uncertain and death inevitable, do make, constitute and ordain this my last will & Testament.

1st I give my body to the earth, my soul to God who gave it trusting through the merits of Christ to have a part in the first resurrection.

Item 2nd I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Charlotte the following negroes to wit; Joe, George, Sep, Mary and her two children Jacob & Preston and her infant child (not named) also Tom, Look & Henriann to have and to hold during her natural life or until she marries again.

Item 3rd I give and bequeath to my friend Charles J. Jenkins of Richmond County and Virgin, Sheriff of this County in trust for my son James L. Jenkins the following negroes, to wit; Joseph, Miles, Bill, Isabella, Nannad, Marriah and her children, Charlotte & Martha, Sidney, Olive, Spindana & Pradette and I request my friend Charles J. Jenkins & Virgil Powers to control and manage the above property, and also my son James L. Jenkins the profits arising therefrom. I also authorize these my said friends to buy or sell or buy as they may deem best for the interest of my son James L. Jenkins and at his death I give the above property specified in this item to his children if he have any.

Item 4th I give and bequeath to my son James L. the following negroes to wit; Ned Nelson & Green to have and to hold in fee simple.

Item 5th I require my executors hereafter named to divide my lands whereon I now reside, contracting the following tracts to wit; The Sore tract of 500 acres, the Manning tract of 250 acres the Flemming tract of 150 the Hartley tract of 100 acres the Hagley tract of 250 acres the Brown tract of 100 acres the Jones tract of 250 acres and Kelly tract of 250 acres into ten parts of equal value; to my beloved wife Charlotte I give the choice of either part after the division to have and to hold during her natural life or while she remains unmarried.

Item 6th The other half of my land whereon I now reside I give and bequeath to my son James L. in fee simple.

Item 7th I require my executors to divide my land lying on Rocky Branch known as the mill tract containing 800 acres into two parts of equal value, to my beloved wife Charlotte I give the choice of either part to have and hold during her natural life or widowhood, the other half of said tract, I give in fee simple to my son James L. Jenkins.

Item 8th Upon the marriage or death of my wife during the lifetime of my son James L. I give to my friend Charles J. Jenkins and Virgil Powers my son James L. the following negroes to wit; Tom, George, Sep, Mary and her children Jacob & Preston & her infant which I wish them to manage and control for his benefit in the same manner as the negroes given them in trust in item 3rd, the rest

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of the negroes to wit. Doc. Looker & Rosam together with all the lands bequeathed to my wife, I give to my son James L. in fee simple.

Item 9th On the coct of the death of my son James L without children and the marriage or death of my wife, I wish all my property specified in the foregoing items to be divided into eight equal shares (ie) share of equal value and distributed by lot between my own brothers and sisters, and the children of my wife by his former marriage.

Item 10th I give to my wife 10 milch cows & calves also 30 sheep, also two beds bedsteads and furniture.

Item 11th I give to my son James L. six milch cows & calves and two beds, bedsteads & furniture.

Item 12th I give to my friend Virgil Powers in trust for my Brother Drury Jenkins, the following negroes to wit. George, Duck and Laura, and at his death I give the said negroes to my friend Virgil Powers in trust for his wife and children I request my Executors not to suffer the said negroes mentioned in this item to be removed from this county untill a certain mortgage made to I Skrine upon said negroes shall have been paid.

Item 13th I give to my friend Virgil Powers in trust for his wife and children my negro girl Harriet.

Item 14th I give to my friends Charles J. Jenkins & Virgil Powers in trust for my son James L. Jenkins all my Central Hall-Road stock (in 20 shares) which I desire them to manage for him to the best advantage.

Item 15th I give to my friend Charles J. Jenkins the sum of five hundred dollars, on condition that he act as trustee for my son James L. Jenkins & if necessary as Executor to this my last Will & Testament.

Item 16th I give to my friend Virgil Powers certain Executions against my Brother Drury which have been transferred to me & which will be found among my papers.

Item 17th I give to my friend Dr James R. Smith of Hanau with the sum of three hundred dollars.

Item 18 I give to my friend Virgil Powers in trust for Ann L. Jones and her children by John A. Cooke deceased the following property to wit. one tract of Pine Land adjoining land of John Beathright containing 300 acres more or less and a tract containing 60 or 70 acres for which I have the Sheriffs letter adjoining land belonging to the estate of John A. Cooke also the following negroes to wit Sam, Jane, Bomer & Austin all of which I authorize my friend Virgil Powers as trustee to manage for their use and benefit & if necessary to divide & pay over to Ann L. Jones a share of said property equal in value to the share of any one of the children.

Item 19 The rest of my property of all kinds I desire shall be sold by my Executors and the proceeds applied to the payment of my debts, and the balance remaining after the payment of the legacies & debts I wish equally divided between my beloved wife Charlotte and my son James L. Jenkins.

Item 20 I appoint my friends Charles J. Jenkins & Virgil Powers my Executors of this my last will and testament and have confidence that they will endeavor to manage my estate to the best advantage.

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Item 1st. I request my Executors to sell to the advantage my negro man Jacob and apply the proceeds of the sale to the payment of my debts
(Signed) Uriah Jenkins

Colon ^{for} Portch
Miley ^{my} B. Croton
William Brandley

State of Georgia }
Washington County }
I, Virgil Powers, who being duly sworn, depose and
state aforesaid, that the Original Will of Uriah Jenkins late of said
County deceased, together with the original record was consumed
by fire in the Ordinaris office of said County on the 21st day of
March 1855 and that the above and foregoing is a true Copy
of said Will as it appeared of record before the same was con-
sumed.

Sworn to & subscribed before me this 7 day of January 1857
Virgil Powers

Haywood Brooks only

Thomas Turlington

Georgia Washington County

In the name of God Amen
I Thomas Turlington of said State and County, being of
advanced age, and knowing that I shall shortly depart from this
world, deem it right and proper, as respects myself and my family
that I should make a disposition of the property with which a
kind Providence has blessed me. I therefore revoke and annulling
all others heretofore made by me.

Item 1. I desire and direct that my body be buried in
a decent and Christian like manner suitable to my circum-
stances and condition. My soul I trust shall return to God
who gave it - as I hope for eternal salvation through the blood
of Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, whose religion I have professed
and as I humbly trust enjoyed for eighteen years -

Item 2nd I desire and direct that all my just debts be
paid without delay by my executors hereinafter named
unwilling my creditors should be delayed if their
rights especially as there is no necessity for delay.

Item 3rd I give and devise to my beloved wife Houshing
with whom I have lived in the strictest quiet and love