

Rufus M. Gilshaps Will

State of Georgia
White County

In the name of God Amen
I Rufus, M. Gilshap of said State and
County knowing it is appointed for all
men once to die deem it right and proper
as regards myself and family that I should
make a disposition of the property with which
a kind providence has blessed me I therefore
make this my last Will and Testament
hereby revoking and annulling all others hitherto
made by me

Item first I desire and direct that my
body be buried in a decent and Christian
like manner suitable to my circumstances
and condition my sole I trust I shall return
to rest with you who gave it as I hope for
Eternal Salvation through the Blessed Lord
and Saviour Jesus Christ

Item second I desire and direct that all
my just debts be paid without delay by my
Executor herein after made as I am unwilling
my creditors be delayed of their rights especially
as there is no necessity for delay

Item third I give and bequeath to my beloved
Wife Leticia during her life time the same
place consisting of all that tract or parcel
of Land known as part of Lot of Land number
(28) Twenty eight and also part of Land number
(45) Forty five being the north part of said
Lot joining lot no 28 and bounded on the
south side by a conditional line beginning
on the East side on the public road leading
from Hensley Baynes to the Camp Ground
at Rock Corner thence along the fence
on the south side of the fresh field
thence along the cross fence leading rather
south west across the bottom thence to the
corner of the Swamp thence West the original
line to Killeys Corner both parcels of Land
being in the second district of originally
Habersham now White County per me to
have the use of so long as I shall live and at

her death to belong to my Grand Son William H
Giltshap the following property and effects
I give and bequeath to my Wife Leticia to do with
and dispose of as she wishes all the property owned
by her at our marriage the Largest Trunk and Bed
stead bed and clothes for it the largest chest and
hooking stove and the clothing that belonged to my
first wife in my possession all of my sheep pen
one Loom and one hundred and twenty five
dollars per one year support for her after my
death and I desire that she have all the Land in the
Camp ground so long as she lives and at her death
to belong to my Grand Son William H Giltshap and I
give her one stable

I am fourth I give and bequeath to my beloved
Grandson William H Giltshap the remainder of my
Land not heretofore mentioned consisting of part
of lot of Land number (46) forty six known as the
Shelley lot east of Land number (45) forty five
known as the Smith Lot bounded on the north by
the conditional line mentioned above as the southern
boundary of the Land given to my wife both parts
of Land or parts of Lots being in the second District
of originally Habersham now White County I also
give my Grand Son the Smallest Trunk the best
Woodstead the Smallest Chest and one Bureau and
all of my Land I give and bequeath to my
Grand Son at the death of my Wife Leticia and
about the Land at the Camp ground at her death
I desire that all of my property not heretofore
mentioned and disposed of to be sold by my
Executor without the Intervention of any Court
and without any appraisement or report of
sale and after taking out of such the one hundred
and twenty five dollars given to my wife for her
years support the proceeds there to Equally divide
between my Wife Leticia and Grand Son William
H Giltshap I also desire and direct that my son
and wife be Equally divide between my wife
and Grand Son William H Giltshap I desire
that my Wife have absolute control of
all given her by me except the Land in
Camp ground and hereby appoint Matias H

as my Executor to this my last Will and Testament in witness whereof I the said Rufus W Gilstrap to this my last Will consisting of the three foregoing pages of paper have set my hand and seal this 31 day of March 1879 Rufus W Gilstrap (L)

Signed sealed published and declared by the said Rufus W Gilstrap as his last Will and Testament in presence of us who have in his presence and at his special request signed the same as witnesses and in the presence of each other

W C Conrall

W R Sargent

G W Fields

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White County Before me came in person on the 6th day of January 1880 in open Court for the purpose of proving the last Will and Testament of Rufus W Gilstrap the witnesses to said Will (to wit) W C Conrall W R Sargent and G W Fields and the Will having been before that time brought before me for probate by the Executor W H Rye who has filed a petition for probate for the same they the said witnesses depose of the same that they saw said Rufus W Gilstrap sign and publish the same as his last Will on the day and year then stated as Executor by him that the witnesses the same at his request and in his presence and in the presence of each other that the same was voluntarily executed by him while he was of sound and disposing mind and memory

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 6th day of January 1880 Isaac Oakes

Ordinary

W C Conrall

W R Sargent

G W Fields