

W. J. Sears Will

Georgia } To W B Bell Ordinary of
White County } said County.

I, Remondy petition of
Riley, shows that William
J. Sears late of said County
departed this life on the 14th day
of May last after having made his
last will and Testament wherein
your petitioner is nominated the
Executor, your petitioner produces
said will in Court and prays
that the same may be admitted
to record, upon the proof thereof in
Common form and that letters
testamentary issue to him in terms
of the law.

A. G. Underwood & son.
Petitioner Attys

Georgia } I, A. H. Henderson do swear
White County } that I or as well as A. G. Underwood
H. A. Garrard and W. B. Underwood
saw the within named William J.
Sears sign and publish the within
paper as his last will and Testament;
that I subscribed the same as a
witness thereto at the special instance
and request of the said William
J. Sears and in his presence as did
also A. G. Underwood, W. B. Underwood
and H. A. Garrard; that the said
William J. Sears signed the same
freely and voluntarily and was
at the time of such signing of
sound and disposing mind and
memory. A sworn to and subscribed
before me this 1st day of June 1891

W B Bell Clerk

A. H. Henderson

Georgia
White County

Upon the foregoing affidavit
of A. H. Henderson one of the
subscribing witnesses to the within
will of William A. Sears deceased.
It is ordered by the Court that
said will be admitted to record
as satisfactorily proven in common
form, and it is further that
letters testamentary issue to
Riley T. Skinner the executor
named in said will upon
his taking the oath and giving
bond as required by law. & the
said will. This the 1st day of June
1891.

W. B. Bell
Ordinary

Georgia
White County

I, William A. Sears of
said State & County, being
sound and disposing mind
and memory do make this my
last will and testament.
Item first. I desire that my body
be buried in a decent manner
in keeping with my circumstances
in life.
Item second. I direct that
all my just debts be paid as
soon as possible after my death
if there should be any.
Item Third. I give and bequeath
to my beloved wife Margaret C.
Sears all of my property of
Every kind and description
that I now own or that I may
hereafter acquire for and during
her natural life. I direct that
my wife keep all the land &
that Levy Sears & W. R. Sears shall
remain on the property during

Georgia
White County

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subscribing witnesses to the within
will of William H. Sears deceased
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as satisfactorily proven in common
form, and it is further that
letters testamentary issue to
Riley T. Sumner the executor
named in said will upon
his taking the oath and giving
bond as required by law & the
said will. This the 1st day of June
1891.

W. B. Bell
Ordinary

Georgia
White County

I, William H. Sears of
said State & County, being
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last will and testament.
Item first, I desire that my body
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in keeping with my circumstances
in life.
Item second, I direct that
all my just debts be paid as
soon as possible after my death
if there should be any.
Item Third, I give and bequeath
to my beloved wife Margaret C.
Sears all of my property of
every kind and description
that I now own or that I may
hereafter acquire for and during
her natural life. I direct that
my wife keep all the land &
that Leroy Sears & W. R. Sears shall
remain on the property during

the life time of my said wife
they paying such rents as is
customary and further direct that
my beloved wife shall keep on
my family, 2 mules or horses for
the use hereon
I give and bequeath
to Jerry S. Sears, W. R. Sears, Jane
Adams & Mary M. Sears after the
death of my said wife in fee the
home place and the farm &
known as the West M. Graves
and Red Brown places in equal
proportions. except the share or
interest of W. R. Sears, I give to
him a life estate hereon and
after his death to his children
born and to be born.
I direct that
after the death of my beloved wife
all the real or my property be
sold by my Executor either at
Public or Private sale as may
seem best and that the same
be done without the intervention
of any Court, except my Todd
watch which I direct shall be
the property of my daughter
Mary M. Sears after the death of
my wife the proceeds of said
sales together with any moneys
that may then be on hand I
direct to be divided as follows
after the death of my said wife
that is to say to each one of the
following children an equal
share of the same the devise
heretofore made to Jerry S.
W. R. Mary M. Sears & Jane
Adams not to be counted against
them in this distribution to wit Jerry
Sears W. R. Sears Mary M. Sears
Jane Adams & J. S. Sears

J. N. Sears and the Children
of Belle West formerly Belle
Sears. The share of J. N. Sears
J. N. Sears and Jane Adams
under this will where they are not
now invested in lands. I direct
that my executor shall invest the
same in land looking solely to
their interest for their lives & then
to their children in fee simple.
If I or my executor shall have to
pay a debt to Henry Brownlow that
J. N. Sears now owes and for
which I have become security then
I direct that the amount thereof
shall be deducted from his share.
Item sixth. I direct that the
executor to this will use his best
judgment as to how & when he
will collect any debts that
may be due my estate looking
solely to the best interest of my estate.
Item seventh. I hereby constitute &
appoint ^{my executor} Riley J. Kenner the executor
to this my last will & testament
& that he give bond and good
security for the faithful execution
of the trust herein express and
I hereby relieve my said executor
from making annual returns
that he file an inventory & appraisement
and when he shall have
executed this will fully then he
is direct to make a final return
to the Court of Ordinary & that he
be hereby discharged. ^{Feb 28th 1891}
signed declared and
Published by William F. } Wm F. Sears Seal
Sears as his last will
& testament in the presence
of us the subscribers who
subscribe our names here in the presence
of said testator at his residence in the

and of each other he signing
in our presence and we
signing in his presence.

A. H. Underwood
W. H. Henderson
W. H. Jarrard
W. B. Underwood

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Georgia
White County

Georgia White County
June 1st 1891

I, Riley O. Kenimer do swear
that this writing contains the
true last will & testament of
William G. Sears deceased so
far as I know or believe and
that I will well & truly execute
the same in accordance with
the laws of this state so help me
God

Sworn to and
subscribed before me
this June 1st 1891

W. B. Bee
Ordinary.

Riley O. Kenimer