

Do Subscribe our Names as
Witnesses

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Levin Peeters

William Hopkins

John Dyson

Georgia } Personally appeared before us in Chambers
Wilkes County } John Dyson a subscribing witness to the
Annexed will of Lucy Simpson an^d and being duly
sworn deposed and said that the Testatrix, in her
presence did sign publish and declare the same as her
last will and testament that at the time of her so doing
she was of sound disposing mind and memory that he
subscribed the same as witness in her presence and at
her request and that George W. Hammetton & James Cooper
did subscribe the same as witnesses in her presence
and at the same time

Sworn to & subscribed before John Dyson.

us this 24th day of October 1826

Thomas Wootten J. C.

Charles C. Mills J. C.

Georgia } Personally appeared before us in Chambers
Wilkes County } Levin Peeters and John Dyson two of the
subscribing witnesses to the within Codicil to the will of
Lucy Simpson an^d and being duly sworn deposed & said
that in their presence Lucy Simpson did sign seal and
declare the within Codicil as a Codicil to her last will &
Testament and at the time of her so doing she was
of sound disposing mind and memory that they
subscribed the same in her presence and at her
request as witnesses and that William Hopkins subscribed
the same in their presence as witnesses to the same
Sworn to and subscribed before us this 24th day of
October 1826.

Thomas Wootten J. C.

Charles C. Mills J. C.

Levin Peeters

John Dyson

Recorded 28th June 1827.

Georgia

In the Name of God Amen.

I Mary Anderson of the County of Milton and State of Georgia being far advanced in age and being in my perfect mind and memory and knowing all must die and the time thereof uncertain; have thought proper to dispose of my property whilst I am in the enjoyment of my mental faculties so make this my last will & Testament my property which I now possess Consist of Negroes. Horse cattle Hogs. Town land and Fitching furniture plantation timber Money or moneys of Money due me and every part other species of personal or personal property that I am possessed of I devise and dispose of as follows Viz to all my Children now living or that may be living at the time of my death an equal share of my Estate as above mentioned also to my Grand Daughter Elizabeth Heard wife of John Heard one equal share of of the same to the surviving Children of my Daughter Sally Davis ^{decd} one equal share to the Children of my Daughter Jane Heard ^{decd} one equal share and to my son Grand Son Edward Anderson & John Anderson sons of my son John P Anderson ^{decd} one equal share with all my own living Children share and share alike in all the property or estate above mentioned that I may be possessed of in the same manner that if their Mother & Father had been living themselves would have provided the same by gift or devise from me and whereas I am indebted to the State of Georgia in the Contemplated land lottery of the State of Georgia and in my own name as an individual Widow and also as the Widow of my ^{decd} husband a Revolutionary Soldier and should I draw one in the name of the Widow of my ^{decd} husband as aforesaid I give the draw Exclusively and entirely to my son Thomas Anderson and his heirs forever and should I draw a tract of land in the Contemplated land lottery of this State in my own name as an individual Widow the same shall be equally divided among my own Children & Grand Children

as aforesaid I further my wish and desire and I do hereby
 appoint my son Thomas Anderson and led Thomas Doolittle
 Executors of this my last will and testament and desire that
 they will attend to the same and make a distribution
 of my property as soon after my death as the same can
 be done declaring this to be my last will and testament
 In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and
 seal this tenth, ninth day of May in the year of our Lord
 Eighteen hundred and twenty six

Signed, sealed & delivered by the Testator to
 be her last will & Testament in the presence of
 us who in their presence have subscribed
 our names as Witnesses to the same.

James Baird
 Caleb Sappington
 William P. Allen
 Mark

Mary Anderson *(Test)*

In Chambers November 10th 1826-

Georgia
 Wilkes County } Personally came before us in Chambers
 Caleb Sappington and William P. Allen two of the
 subscribing witnesses to the above and foregoing will
 and being duly sworn, on their oath swear that in
 their presence Mary Anderson did sign and declare
 declare the same to be her last will & Testament
 and at the time of her so doing she was of sound
 disposing mind and memory, that they subscribed the
 same as witnesses in her presence and at her request
 and that James Baird did also subscribe his name
 as a witness in their presence
 Given to it subscribed before us
 this 10th November 1826.

Lewis J. Brown J. C.
 John B. Leonard J. C.

Caleb Sappington
 William P. Allen
 Mark

Recorded 23rd June 1827-

George & Robert each being weak in body and
 Wilkes County in low state of health but of sound
 and disposing mind and memory and conscious of the Certai-
 ty of Death and the Uncertainty of life make this my
 last will and Testament. In the Name of God Amen
 1st It is my wish that my Executors and Executor should dis-
 charge the demands against me out of the funds of my farm
 or in any way they may deem most to the interest of my heirs
 2nd It is my wish they should keep my servants together on
 my farm with such of the perishable property they may
 think necessary for their convenience support and work them
 for the benefit of my heirs in general as a Joint Stock
 3rd It is my wish that my Children should be raised
 supported and Educated to have good English education
 out of the profits arising from said farm.
 4th It is my wish that my Estate should be equally
 divided between my wife Rodak H. and my four Children
 Louisa Perkins Anderson I And William R. and to provide
 against individual Misfortune that it should be kept
 together until they should arrive at full age that is
 when either of said Children shall become of age they
 should then receive their respective share to be ascertained
 by Valuation and set a part for them as directed by law
 for the Distribution of Estates the remainder of said Estate
 to remain as Joint property of the remaining minors
 until another of the Children should arrive of age to
 receive their share proportion that I wish to be then set apart
 for him or her as before directed. It is also my wish
 should my wife Rodak H. Mary that she should then
 receive her portion to be set apart for her as before directed
 for one of the Children -
 5th It is my wish to give my Executors and Executor the
 discretionary power to sell my real Estate at any time
 under the regulations required by Law for the benefit of
 my heirs provided they should think it to their adv-

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 Oth. I leave my wife Rodak H. my Country and
 Marshall Martin my Executor to this my last Will and
 Testament. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my
 hand and seal this the thirtieth day of April 1826
 signed sealed and Acknowledged
 in the presence of us.

James Cade Jr.
 Joseph A. Green
 Henderson G. Wade
 George

Robt Cade G. Y.

Personally appeared in Open Court
 Wilkes County } Henderson G. Wade and Joseph A. Green
 Two of the subscribing witnesses to the Annexed will
 who being sworn say that the Testator Robert Cade
 did sign seal and deliver the same as his last Will
 and Testament and at the time of his so doing he was
 of sound and disposing mind and memory and that
 they signed the same as witnesses in his presence and
 also saw James Cade Jr. attend the same
 Sworn to in Open Court this } Joseph A. Green
 1st Jan^y 1827 } Henderson G. Wade
 W. H. Dypson C. C. O.

Recorded the 24th Jan^y 1827 -

Wilkes County } In the Name of God Amen Be it Known
 George } that John Craton being in perfect health and
 of sound and disposing mind and memory do make and
 Ordain this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all
 others by me heretofore made Viz. I give and bequeath unto
 beloved wife Mary Ann Craton the following named
 Negroes Viz. Pasdale, Barney William Charlotte, Kelly, Sarah
 Henry and Aaron to be by her disposed of as she ^{may} think pro-
 per I also leave her during her life time the land whereon
 we now live containing about five hundred acres with

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all improvements and appurtenances thereto belonging
 I give and bequeath unto my son Silvester the following named
 Negroes W. Moss. Shepherd. Lydia. Lewis. Loney. Sam, Ann Peter
 Spencer. Also the younger Emily. Frank. Rachell. Charles and
 Mary. I also give unto my said son the three Tracts of land
 whereon he now lies containing about three hundred and 70
 acres I also give unto him the Tract of Land whereon I have
 been entitled to my wife after her decease it is all my will
 that all my House Hold and Household together with Stock
 of all kinds Waggon. Harts Carriage &c. with plantation Tools
 be equally divided between my wife and son Silvester to him
 and his heirs forever But it is further my will that if my
 son should die leaving no Lawfull issue of his own Body that
 then and in that case three fourths of the property herein willed
 shall be returned to my Estate and be equally divided
 between all my Grand Children. I further give unto my two
 Grand Sons Richard^d Stokes and John C. Stokes each one Bed
 and furniture to be taken from the Maps of my Estate To
 receive the same when they become of age.

I give and bequeath unto my three Daughters Susannah
 Elizabeth Matilda and Anna Sophia one hundred Dollars
 each to purchase a suit of Mourning. Three Negroes which
 I owned some time past to my three Daughters I do not con-
 sider as any part of Estate but make a gift of them to each
 Respectfully —

I give and bequeath unto all my Grand Children the follo-
 wing named Negroes W. Mully. Isaac Harrison. Mary. Harriet
 Black. Charles. Jim. Luda. Loney. Cyrus. Matt. Sam. George
 Jack and Cecilia to be divided in the following manner at
 the time that the Youngest of my Eight named Grand Child-
 ren becomes of age W. Bennett Wheeler, Jefferson Wheeler
 Washington, Wheeler John F. Wheeler Julian Bray. Richard
 H. Stokes, John C. Stokes and John Watten they shall receive
 one third part of the said Negroes by Valuation then
 when the next eight Oldest of my Grand Children becomes
 of age they shall receive one third of the Balance

of the Negroes and the Ann Child that then remain shall be kept for the right Manager of my Grand Children when they become of age.

I give and bequeath unto the Trustees of the Roman Catholic Chapel of Warren County to help me to make the use of Land given by Joseph Thompson dec^d for the use of the Catholics of said place the sum of One Hundred Dollars.

Lastly, I appoint my wife and my son Selvester my Executors to Carry this will into Effect Executed Signed Sealed this 3rd day of February in the year of our Lord our Thom and eight Hundred and twenty six.

In presence of us

Bolling Anthony

Ed. Wheatley

Peter W. Pullen

John Craton Test

Georgia } In the Court of Ordinary
Wilkes County } January 1827

Personally appeared in Open Court Joseph Wheatley and Peter W. Pullen who being duly sworn say that they saw John Craton duly Execute the within Instrument by signing his name thereto That at the time of such execution said Testator was of Sound and disposing mind and Memory - that they deponents and Bolling Anthony attested said will by subscribing their names thereto as Witnesses in the presence of the Testator and of each other

Sworn to in Open Court

1st Jan^y 1827-

Attest

W. H. Lyson C.C.O

Ed. Wheatley

P. W. Pullen

Recorded the 24th June 1827.

I Thomas Mulleday being sick in body but sound in mind
do make this my last will and Testament I have deposited
in the Planters and Merchants Bank Charleston S Carolina
in or about the sum of \$10000.00

of which I bequeath to my beloved wife Elizabeth the sum of 4000.00
to my Child by her (if any) the remaining sum of 6000.00
this Plantation. appurtenances & negroes to be equally
divided between my three Nephews - Patrick Turley and
his Cousins the Turleys, Thomas & James.

In Sumpter district S.C. I have in bonds and Notes
to the Amount of upwards of 10000. of which I bequeath to
my Sister Eleanor the sum of 4000.00

To be Committed in trust for her to the Rev. Patrick O'Sullivan
out of the Sumpter estate I also bequeath the sum of 500.00
for the benefit of the Roman Catholic Church at Locust
grove To be deposited in the hands of the trustees of that
Church and their Successors & to be used as those trustees may
think most beneficial for the interest of that Church
the remainder of My property in Sumpter district to be
appropriated to my brother-in-law Turley (at present in
Ireland) his wife and children -

All the balance of My property to be equally divided
amongst my Nephews and Nieces -

I appoint as Executor to this ^{my last} will and Testament the Rev.
Patrick O'Sullivan & my Nephew Patrick Turley. In Case there
be no Child or that there be a Child and it should die dur-
ing its Minority. I bequeath to my beloved wife Elizabeth the
additional sum of 2000.00
out of My funds in the Charleston bank. the remaining
sum of 4000 out of that fund to be equally divided among
my Nephews and Nieces the Turleys

Witness Sealed & delivered in presence
of James Cullinan
Bernard O'Caravanagh
Edw. Hope

Thos. Mulleday

5th Oct. 1826-

Georgia } In the Court of Ordinary of said
Wilkes County } County January Term 1827

Personally appeared in Open Court James Cullenan and
Bernard O'Caranagh who being duly Sworn say that they
Saw Thomas Metherday duly execute the within instrument as his
last Will and Testament. That they the said deponents Together
with L. May Mott attested the same by Subscribing their names
therein as Witnesses - That said instrument was signed by the
Testator in the presence of said Three Subscribing Witnesses
and that at the time of such Signation in the view of
Sound and disposing Memory.
Sworn to in Open Court } James Cullenan
1st Jan^y 1827- }

Attest W^m H. Lyson C. C. O. Bernard O'Caranagh.

Recorded the 24th day of June 1827.

In the Name of God Amen.

I Samuel Bradford of the County of Wilkes and State
of Georgia being Sick and Weak in body but of sound
Mind Memory and Understanding (praise be to god for it)
And Considering the Certainty of Death and the Uncertainty
of the time thereof and to the end I may be better prepared
to leave this World whenever it shall Please god to call me
Hence do therefore Make and declare this my last will
and Testament in Manner following. That is to say. first
and Principally, I commend My soul into the hands
Almighty God. My Creator hoping for Free Pardon and
pardon of all my sins, and to enjoy Everlasting happi-
ness in the Heavenly Kingdom Through Jesus Christ
My Savior. I dispose of all my worldly concerns as
follows to wit, I give to My beloved Wife Elizabeth
Bradford all My Estate Both real and personal
and Stock of all kinds to dispose of as she thinks
Proper. If wither I constitute My wife My sole Executor

to this my last will and testament whereof I have hereunto
set my hand and seal this 21 day of Jan'y. 1826.

Henry Lofey
George Wynn
John Nichols

Samuel Bradford

George Wynn } Personally appeared in Open Court Henry
Miller County } Lofey and John Nichols who being first
duly sworn the said Henry Lofey saith that he saw Samuel
Bradford sign seal and publish the within as his last will
and Testament and that he at the same time saw George
Wynn sign the same as a subscribing Witness and the
said John Nichols saith that the within instrument
of Writing was shown him by the said Bradford and
acknowledged and his signature thereto acknowledged
and they both say that they signed their names to the
same as subscribing Witnesses by the request of the said
Samuel Bradford and at the same time of their so
doing the said Samuel Bradford was of sound &
disposing mind and memory
sworn to & subscribed in Open Court this 1st January
1827

Wm. H. Dyson C.C.

John Nichols
Henry Lofey -

Recorded the 24th day of June 1827 -

In The Name of God Amen.

I Michael Henderson of the State of Georgia and County
of Wilkesburg in law State of Health but of perfect
mind and memory Calling to mind that it appointed to all
men once to die do make and Ordain this my last will &
Testament in manner and form as follows
First recommend my soul to God Almighty and my
body to earth to be buried in Christian manner at the
discretion of my Executors and as to such worldly
things as God hath been pleased to bless me with

Georgia } In the Court of Ordinary of said
 Wilkes County } January Term 1827

Personally appeared in Open Court James Cullenan and
 Bernard O'Caranagh who being duly sworn say that they
 saw Thomas Mulroney duly execute the within instrument as his
 last will and Testament. That they the said deponents together
 with LeRoy Holt attested the same by subscribing their names
 thereto as witnesses - that said instrument was signed by the
 Testator in the presence of said three subscribing witnesses
 and that at the time of such signing he was of
 sound and disposing memory.

Sworn to in Open Court } James Cullenan
 1st Jan^y 1827 }

Attest J. H. Lypson C. C. } Bernard O'Caranagh

Recorded the 24th day of June 1827

In the Name of God Amen

I Samuel Bradford of the County of Wilkes and State
 of Georgia being sick and weak in body but of sound
 mind memory and understanding (praise be to god for it)
 And considering the certainty of Death and the uncertainty
 of the time thereof and to the end I may be better prepared
 to leave this World whenever it shall please god to call me
 Hence do therefore make and declare this my last will
 and Testament in manner following. that is to say. first
 and Principally, I commend my soul into the hands
 Almighty God. My Creator hoping for Free Pardon and
 remission of all my sins, and to enjoy Everlasting hope
 in the Heavenly Kingdom Through Jesus Christ
 my Savior. I dispose of all my worldly concerns as
 follows to wit, I give to my beloved wife Elizabeth
 Bradford all my Estate Both real and personal
 and stock of all kinds to dispose of as she thinks
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Henry Lofsey
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George Wym } Personally appeared in Open Court Henry
Miller County } Lofsey and John Nichols who being first
duly sworn the said Henry Lofsey saith that he saw Samuel
Bradford sign seal and publish the within as his last will
and Testament and that he at the same time saw George
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said John Nichols saith that the within instrument
of writing was shown him by the said Bradford and
acknowledged and his signature thereto acknowledged
and they both say that they signed their names to the
same as subscribing Witnesses by the request of the said
Samuel Bradford and at the same time of their so
doing the said Samuel Bradford was of sound &
disposing mind and memory

Sworn to & Subscribed in Open Court this 1st January
1827
John Nichols
Henry Lofsey -
Geo. Wym

Recorded the 24th day of June 1827

In the Name of God Amen.

I Michael Henderson of the State of Georgia and County
of Wilkes being in low State of Health but of perfect
mind and memory Calling to mind that it appointed to all
men once to die Do make and Ordain this my last will &
Testament in manner and form as follows
First recommend my soul to God Almighty and my
body to earth to be buried in Christian manner at the
discretion of my Executors And as to such worldly
things as God hath been pleased to bless me with

Georgia
Wilkes County

In the Court of Ordinary of said
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Personally appeared in Open Court James Cullenan and
Bernard O. Cavenagh who being duly Sworn say that they
saw Thomas Metherday duly execute the within instrument as his
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Attest.

Grantville Ga March 26th 1827

The ordinary of Wilkes Co will
please find enclosed \$100
I desire a copy of the will
of an old Hindonians who did
a great many years past say forty
or more or if he left no will
please inform me what disposi-
tion was made of his property he
left but two children's names
one son Peter one daughter Judy
or Judah. please give the amount
each recd if any record is made
of the matter as I suppose there
is write to me at Grantville
Ga.

Anny Welch

I am a granddaughter
& desire to ascertain
the facts in the case

in the recently deceased Nathaniel Lewis Christ
my Savior. I dispose of all my worldly concerns as
follows (to wit) I give to my beloved wife Elizabeth
Bradford all my Estate Both real and personal
and stock of all kinds to dispose of as she thinks
proper. If neither I nor my wife my sole Executor

to this my last will and testament wherof I have hereunto
set my hand and seal this 21 day of Jan'y. 1826.

Henry Lofsey
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Georgia } Personally appeared in Open Court Henry
Wilkes County } Lofsey and John Nichols who being first
duly sworn the said Henry Lofsey saith that he saw Samuel
Bradford sign seal and publish the within as his last will
and Testament and that he at the same time saw George
Wyman sign the same as a subscribing Witness And the
said John Nichols saith that the within instrument
of Writing was shown him by the said Bradford and
acknowledged and his signature thereto acknowledged
and they both say that they signed their names to the
same as subscribing Witnesses by the request of the said
Samuel Bradford and at the same time of their so
doing the said Samuel Bradford was of sound &
disposing mind and memory
sworn to Subscribed in Open Court this 1st January
1827

Wm. H. Dyson Clerk

John Nichols
Henry Lofsey -

Recorded the 24th day of June 1827 -

In The Name of God Amen.

I Michael Henderson of the State of Georgia and County
of Wilkes being in low State of Health but of perfect
mind and memory Calling to mind that it appointed to all
men once to die Do make and Ordain this my last will &
Testament in manner and form as follows
First recommend my soul to God Almighty and my
body to earth to be buried in Christian manner at the
discretion of my Executors and as to such worldly
things as God hath been pleased to bless me with

I give and dispose of in the following manner. Viz. First
 I give to My Son Israel Hendman My land on which
 I live on Kettle Creek Containing three Hundred and
 fifty acres be the same more or less. I give to My Grand-
 son in Law John Welch our Tract of land in the second
 district of Early County N^o One hundred and forty Nine Con-
 taining two hundred and fifty Acres. I give and bequeath
 to my son in Law Robert Mulean one Dollar
 I give to My Grandsons in Law, John, Peter, Israel William
 Elisha and Michael Hendman the Lot N^o four hundred
 and Sixty in the 3rd District Appling County Also I appoint
 My Grandsons John & Peter Hendman Executors to this My
 Last Will and Testament Also by this Presents do renounce
 and Revoke all and every will or wills by me heretofore made
 and Ordain and Establish this My last Will & Testament
 Given and acknowledged from Under My Hand this
 twenty eighth day of December in the year of our Lord
 One Thousand eight hundred and Twenty Six.
 Signed sealed & acknowledged
 before us.

Richmond Dorrough
 Miles J. Dorrough
 Elenor Hancock
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Michael Hendman

James Dorrough
 Geo. W. Johnson & P.

Georgia { Personally appeared in Open Court James
 Wilkes County { Dorrough and Richmond Dorrough Two of
 the subscribing Witnesses to the Within Will & being sworn
 Faith they saw the Testator Michael Hendman sign seal and
 acknowledge the Within Instrument as his last Will & Testament
 & at the time of his so doing he was of sound disposing mind
 & memory & that they subscribed as Witnesses in his presence & at his
 request together with Miles J. Dorrough Elenor Hancock.
 Given to in Open Court March 5th 1827—

Wm. H. Lyson C.C.O.

James Dorough

Recorded the 24th June 1827—
Richmond Borough.

In the Name of God Amen I John W. Cooksey
of the County of Wilkes and State of Georgia being
in a Low State of health but of sound mind and memory
for which I thank all mighty God for the same and for
his signal blessing. but calling to mind the Certainty of
life and knowing it is appointed once for all men to
die and after death to judgment for which I do hereby
make Confession and Order this My Last Will and
Testament in the manner and form as follows

First I recommend my soul to God through his grace &
the mediation of a Compassionate Saviour who gave it an
My body to the earth from whence it came to be buried
in an Christian like manner at the discretion of my
Executors to be hereafter named

Secondly, I desire that all my just debts be paid and
then as for what worldly goods it has pleased God to
bless me with I give & bequeath in as follows.

1st I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Hannah
Cooksey three Negroes Nam. Sam. Kemp & Isaac and
also two Negro women Ann and Amy and also
the tract of Land wherein I now live to have and
to hold during her natural life and after her death to
be distributed Equally Among all my Children.

2nd The Balance of my property together with the
increasing of the Negroes to remain with my beloved
wife Hannah Cooksey until my Eldest Child becomes
of age and as each Child becomes of age they are
to be paid of and receive their proportionable part—Except
the above named Land and Negroes

3rd As to the Education of & Support of my Children
I leave at the discretion of my Executors to be paid out
of the embelements of the Estate—

4th I leave my beloved wife Hannah Cooksey together
with my Trusty Friends Hurdly Nally and William
Kilgus my Executors of this my last will and Testament
Revoking all Other will that I have made heretofore
In Writing I have hereunto Set my hand and seal this
twenty sixth day of December. eighteen hundred and
twenty seven.

Signed sealed & acknowledged

In Presence of
J. N. Simpson
W. B. Low
Lewis Parks

John W. Cooksey (Seal)

Georgia
Wilkes County } Personally appeared in Open Court
John N. Simpson and Vincent B. Low,
two of the subscribing Witnesses to Annexed will and
being duly sworn. Sworn that in their presence the
Testator John W. Cooksey did Sign Seal. publish and
declared the Annexed instrument in writing as his last
will and Testament and that at the time of his
last will & doing he was of sound disposing mind
and memory that they subscribed the same as witnesses
in his presence and at his request and that they
with Lewis Parks subscribed as witnesses in presence
of each other.

Sworn to in Open Court
this 7th day May 1827.

Attest J. N. Simpson & Co.

J. N. Simpson
W. B. Low

Recorded the 7th day of July 1827.

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In the Name of God Amen I John Hood of the County of Wilkes & State of Georgia considering the uncertainty of this mortal life. and being of sound and perfect mind and memory (blessed be Almighty God for the same) do make this my last will and testament in manner and form following (that is to say) after paying all my just debts do give and bequeath unto my dearly beloved wife Rebecca Hood all that tract of land mesuages or tenement. wherein I now live for and during her life or widowhood also one Brown bay Horse called & known by the name of Jack also two cows and calves and other stock I House hold and kitchen furniture as much as may becomen may a judge to be necessary for her decent support I also give to my eldest son William Hood fifty Dollars to my son Jack Hood five Dollars to my son Ichabod Hood fifty Dollars to my son Stephen R. Hood one Lot of land containing 202 1/2 acres lying in the County of Wilkes the district of Henry County No 234. and one horse worth sixty dollars I also give to my son Avery R. Hood one Tract of land lying in the twelfth district of Houston County containing 202 1/2 acres No 184. also one horse worth sixty Dollars if the said Tract of land in the 12th of Houston should be of less value than the aforesaid tract in the 13th of Henry the difference shall be made up to my son Avery R. Hood at the death or intermarriage of my wife Rebecca Hood It shall be the duty of my son Avery and he is hereby bound to take the charge and care of my said beloved wife Rebecca Hood ^{also give to my two eldest daughters Mary Ann & Polly each five Dollars during their natural life or widowhood} I give to my two ^{young} daughters Lucy Hood and Polly each of them one feather bed and furniture one Cow & calf and one hundred Dollars, which said several legacies or sums of money I will &

and Order shall be paid to the respective
 legacies within twelve Months after my death and
 Lastly as to all the rest residue and remainder
 of my Estate goods Chattels of what kind and Nature
 I give right Credits &c. I give and bequeath the
 same to be equally distributed among my said
 several sons and Daughters and I do hereby appoint
 Enoch Callaway and Tyre Rives both of the County
 of Wilkes & State of Georgia Sole Executors of this
 my last will and testament hereby revoking all
 former Wills by me made Witnesses whereof I have
 hereunto set my hand and Seal this ^{day of}
 in the year of our Lord one thousand
 eight hundred & twenty two.

Legally Sealed published and
 Declared by the above named
 Testator to be his last Will
 & Testament in the presence of us
 who have hereunto subscribed
 our names as Witnesses in the
 presence of the Testator

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 John H. Hood Seal
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John Harper
 Joseph Adams
 Mark

Barister Harper

Georgia

Wilkes County } Personally appeared before me
 in Open Court Joseph Adams one
 of the Subscribing Witnesses to the Annexed Will &
 being sworn saith that he saw the Testator John
 Hood sign Seal and deliver the same as his
 last Will and testament and that at the time of
 his so doing he was of sound and disposing mind
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as a Witness in the presence of the testator and at
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Sworn to in Open Court

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July 2nd 1827

Wm. H. Dysan & Co.

Recorded the 7th July 1827.

George In the Name of God Amen I Ann Pray of
the County of Bryanburg of Sound Mind and
perfect Memory do this twentieth (20th) September in the
year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and
twenty six (1826) Make this my last will and testa-
ment in Manner and form following VIZ

First I bequeath my soul to god, hoping for his Mercy
through the only merits of Our Lord & Saviour
Jesus Christ

Second I give unto my Niece Ann Pray Law Daughter
of Nathaniel and Sarah M Law My Lot ~~in~~
with the Improvements thereon fronting Bull
Street Johnson Square City Chatham County
N^c. In the Case of the death of said Ann
Pray Law or before she attains the age of Eighteen
years of age I give the said Lot to John & Har-
riette unto my Niece Sarah C. Melt wife of W^m H. Melt
Martha A Law daughter of Nathaniel & Sarah M
Law and Edmund J Law son of N. and Sarah
M Law their heirs & assigns. I wish the Insurance on
said Lot kept up and repairs and Taxes paid.
I leave for Law son and Law Law of Liberty County
Trustee of the above mentioned property, and this
be my

Third I give unto my Niece Ann M. Hyman wife of Lewis
Hyman and the Children of my Lot fronting
Johnson.

Ann Pray

Square Savannah Chatham County N^c to them
their heirs and assigns I wish the Insurance kept up
and repairs and Taxes paid.

Fourth I give unto Sister Sarah McLaw Twenty Shares
United States Stock in Trust to Jo^s Law and
Sam^l Law it is my wish that my Sister have the
Complete Control of all the dividends that may
accrue upon the above 20 Shares (Twenty) on the
death of my Sister Sarah McLaw I wish the above
Mentioned Twenty Shares to be equally divided betw^e
between Martha A and Edmund McLaw my Sister
Children in case of the death of either the Twenty
Shares to go to the Survivor and in case of the
death of Martha A & Edmund McLaw I give
the above Twenty Shares Sarah and Sarah Abner
to Sarah E. M^c and Ann Pray Law.

Fifth I give unto my Sister Francis Charlton in trust
to A. J. Semmes, and M. Talbot Law Twenty Shares
of the United States Stock to her and her heirs
forever. I wish my Sister to have the entire Control
of the Dividends growing out of the above Twenty
Shares during life.

Sixth I give unto my Nephew Jannett Charlton five
Shares of the United States Stock to him, his heirs
and assigns.

Seventh I give unto my Niece Sarah & Mary Pray Charlton
five Shares of the United States Stock to them their
heirs and assigns forever in trust of Jannett Charlton
and M. Talbot.

Eighth after a final division of my Estate I give and Shred of
my Stock of Horned Cattle within the County of
Bryan unto the Children of my Brother Thomas
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11th I give my house hold furniture of every description in Bryan County, to my sister Mary Sligh. And Harriet H. Mann wife of Thomas, Mann. Sharr & Sharr alike. on Condition of my sister Mary Sligh I give her portion or Sharr to my friend Lewis Hyman, their ~~share~~ him and assigns

12th After a final division of my estate. I give unto my sister Francis Charlton and Sarah E. Melt all my stock of horned Cattle, horses and Hogs in Wilkes County Sharr & Sharr alike In Trust to M. Talbot Esq. and L. C. Leavelle

13th I give unto my niece Sarah E. Melt wife of W. H. Melt all my house hold furniture in Wilkes County, to her, her heirs and assigns In Trust to L. C. Leavelle.

14th After a final division of my estate I give unto my sister Francis Charlton wife of A. M. Charlton. and my niece Sarah E. Melt wife of W. H. Melt my Waggon Cart, & plantation tools of every description Sharr & Sharr alike in Wilkes County and in Trust for their benefit to M. Talbot Esq. and L. C. Leavelle. I give unto my friends Mrs Ann Bond and Mrs Rebecca Knox wife of Andrew Knox my house hold and kitchen furniture of every Description in Trust (excepting my plate) Sharr and Sharr and Sharr alike

15th I give unto my niece Anna Maria Hyman, wife of Lewis Hyman, as a token of my love and affection
Ann Pray.

Seven pieces of plate viz. Two Tea plates Pots. an Coffee pot one Cream pot. one Wash bowl and two sugar dishes the balance of my plate in Saw. I give to my esteemed friend Mary C. Bond.

16th I give unto my niece Sarah E. Melt wife of W. H. Melt a Negro Man named Tom Commonly Called Carpenter Tom. provided he hath no wish to go the way I intend my other Negroes shall go. Should he after three days reflection prefer remaining with the said Sarah E. Melt wife of W. H. Melt aforesaid I give him in Trust to L. C. Leavelle for the his benefit, her heirs

- and assigns forever.
- 16th I give to Mr. Ann Bond as a token of my love my Carriage and Carriage horses, such as they are to her her heirs and assigns.
- 17th I give after a final Close of my affects unto my Brother Thomas & his Heirs all my Horses, Waggons, Carts, and plantation tools in Bryan County, Chan and Chan alike, &c.
- 18th It is my wish that my Negro woman Sally, Daughter of Sataci who belongs to John Pray Maxwell son of John J. Maxwell, should be allowed three days to reflect wheather to go when I intend my other Negroes shall go. or wheather she would prefer remaining with her Mother. in Case she makes Chiof of the latter I give her and her heirs and future increase to John Pray Maxwell son of J. Maxwell to him his heirs and assigns.

19th (The object of the Testatrix in this Item is to emancipate Slaves - which Item cannot be recorded Prince Digest fo. 457. & 466.

20th Whereas I hold one hundred and two Slaves in the State Bank of Georgia, and one hundred and twenty six Slaves in the Plantation Bank of Georgia I direct my Qualified Exor (if its necessary) to sell the same or as much as will satisfy

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all Demands against my Estate. if the stock is more
 then sufficient to discharge all demands against me.
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 parts. One part to Martha A. and Edmund Lewis
 Children of my sister Sarah. The Law one part to my
 Brother Thomas, Manner Children by his present wife
 One part to my Brother Little Manner Children. Should
 the above mentioned appropriation of my Bank Stock
 be insufficient to discharge all demands against me:
 I wish the Balance made up out of the sale of
 my Negroes but not otherwise. *Aine Pray*

2^d. Whereas I possess in my own right upwards of Ninety
 Negroes (exclusive of those before enumerated) As my
 wish that my Qualified Ex^{rs} do dispose of them in two
 distinct gangs as they are at present working in Bryan
 and Wilkes the disposition is not to be made but to
 Human Masters to carry the my wish into complete effect
 it my wish that they be appraised after the settlement
 of my debts by three respectable persons, selected by my
 qualified Ex^{rs} and a deduction of Ex^{rs} fees on the
 amount of such appraisements, as an inducement for
 the humanity of their future treatment I give one fourth
 of the net proceeds arising from the sale of the before
 mentioned Negroes to the American board of Com^{rs} for
 Domestic Missions for the purpose of sending the Gospel
 to the heathens and particularly to the Indians of this
 Continent - one fourth of the net proceeds arising
 from the sale of the above before mentioned Negroes
 I give to persons properly authorized to receive the same
 to be appropriated as such persons may think most
 proper for the support of a permanent Minister Res^{id}ing
 the meeting house on the next Road near Harwich
 Bryan County. One fourth of the net proceeds arising
 from the sale of the before mentioned Negroes I give
 in Manner following The fifteen hundred Dollars to
 the Children of my Niece Sarah E. Little wife of W. H.

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fourth I give to the Children of My Sister Thomas Chal-
son and a share also in of Mr. Talbot and
James M. Leighton Ann Pray

Our fourth being the balance of the null proceeds
arising from the sale of the before mentioned Negroes,
I give should it not be found necessary to appropriate
the same or a part to the payment of My debts, in manner
following viz. one part to Martha A. & Edmund L. Law
Children of My Sister Sarah M. Law in Trust to Joseph
Law Sen. & Saml Law both of Liberty County, one part
to the Children of My Brother Luke Mann. I trust
to Lewis Myers of Bryan County. It was my most
earnest wish to have emancipated the whole of
Negroes but the Laws of Georgia have led by my
friends puts it completely out of my power.

22. I have earnestly to inform and request My friends, Jos Law-
sen and Saml Law Trustees of My Niece Ann Pray
Law that with the income arising out of the rent
of the Lot in Bull Street Johnson Square Savannah (Item
B) they select the most proper female accadamies
for her Education and that she be kept constantly at
School until she attains to the age of seventeen years
of age should there be any balance of rent growing
out of the Annual Rent of said Lot after discharging
the Expenses of My Niece education board &c. I wish
the balance same laid out in the purchase of Bank
Stock and not in Negroes upon any account whatever

23. Whereas frequent misconstructions of Testators accure
which often lead to litigation to alleviate this difficulty,
Ann Pray

I wish it to be expressly understood by all my heirs
or legates and qualified persons that I enjoin upon a
Majority of My Executors to decide fully & expressly upon
My intentions in every thing Matter and thing that may
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be final to all intents and purposes should any of my heirs or Legates descend from such award or decision to My wish and desire that the legacy left to such person or persons be forfeited which forfeited legacy I give to the meeting House in Bryan County for the purposes contained in Item 25th

26th Lastly, I do nominate and appoint my friends, William B. Bullock of Savannah John Maxwell Lewis Hyman & Geo. M. Water all of Bryan County Geo to this My Last Will and Testament I the said Ann Pray have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year first written in the presence of us who were present at the signing and sealing thereof and signed subscribed our names as Witnesses to the same

Ann Pray (Seal)

Lawrence C. Loons
James Brown
Benjamin Crabb

As soon as an appraisement takes place it is my wish and desire that the whole of my furniture both in the up and low Counties also my barns and stables should be immediately given up to the Legates before mentioned the balance of my property of every description I wish kept together till all my debts are paid immediately thereafter to be distributed to my different Legates as before mentioned.

In presence of us who were present at the signing and sealing thereof and signed subscribed our names as Witnesses to the same

Ann Pray (Seal)

Lawrence C. Loons
James Brown
Benjamin Crabb

Georgia. } Court of Ordinary July Term 1827.
 Wilkes County } Personally appeared in Open Court
 Lawrence C. Loons and Benjamin Crabb Two of the
 Subscribing Witnesses to the within will of Mrs Ann
 Pray dec'd and being duly sworn depone & say that
 they saw the Testatrix Ann Pray sign seal publish
 and Declare the within Instrument of Writing and to
 be her ~~and~~ last will and Testament and at the time
 of her so doing she was of Sound & disposing mind
 and Memory and that they subscribed their names
 there as Witnesses at her request and in her presence
 and that James Breton subscribed his name as
 Concurring Witness to the same in presence of the
 Testatrix and at her request.

Sworn to in Open
 Court 2nd day of
 July 1827.

Lawrence C. Loons
 Benjamin Crabb

W. H. Dyson C. C.

Recorded the 9th July 1827-

Georgia In the Name of Almighty God Amen?
Wilkes County I John Gibson of Sound Mind but indisposed
in body and knowing that all men must die do make
my last will and testament -

Item 1st My will and desire is that my just debts be
paid as soon as possible -

Item 2^d I give to my dearly beloved wife Mildred during
her Natural life & at her decease to be equally divided
among her Children the following property viz My Plan-
tation whereon I now ~~live~~ reside and seventeen ^{negroes} ~~places~~
and their increase by name Ralph, Frank, Jim, Ned
Gabriel Luke, Polly and her Children (Tom, Scott and Mary
Rhoda, Frank, Kelly and her three Children) Harry, Sarah
and Thesler, My Boy Henry during her Natural life &
at at her death I bequeath to my Grand Son Owen
Miller the said boy my house hold & kitchen furniture my
four wheeled Carriage and Match horses & two others
as she may think proper to take my stock of Cattle
hogs and sheep my Gold watch Blacksmiths tools &
possessions to serve our year my mill and ten acres
of Land around the same

Item 3^d I give to ^{the} Children of Thornton Gibson three hun-
dred dollars to be equally divided to them by Executor N.
Gibson and Mildred My wife -

Item 4th I bequeath to my beloved Daughter Mildred Bull
the benefit of three Negroes now in their possession her
Natural life and at her death to be sold and the
proceeds of sale to be equally divided among her
Children. The Negroes known by the name of ~~Mauds~~
a Yellow fellow called ~~Sam~~ - Martha, Harriet & Sally

Item 5th I give to my daughter Susan da Maddox a Yellow
fellow called a Tom -

Item 6th I give bequeath to my son Benjamin the tract
of Land on which he now lives with the Exception
of ten acres adjoining the Mill -

Item 7th I give to my son George five hundred dollars

I am 8th The last and of my last estate both real and personal was not heretofore named to be sold by my Executor to be hereafter appointed and to be divided into six equal parts that is to say.

One part to my beloved wife
 One part to my son in Law Jacob Lewis Children
 One part to my daughter Malinda Allison
 One part to my daughter Malinda Bull to be disposed of as the Legatee above bequeathed in this will
 One part to my daughter Lucinda Maddox -
 One part to my daughter Sarah Lewis -
 One part to my son Benjamin -

I am 9th I will and desire that the debt of Gilbert Gibson now in suit under the name of David Allison if ever obtained to be equally divided amongst my wife Children if not that they bear an equal share in the Costs of suit &c.

I am 10th I appoint my worthy friends N. Lewis & David Allison my Executors -

In Witness whereof I set my hand and seal this Eleventh of April one Thousand eight hundred and twenty six

Signed Sealed and delivered in the presence of us

J. H. Hicklin M.D.

John Dewberry

Robert Allison

John Gibson (deceased)

Georgia
 Wilkes County, Personally appeared in Open Court
 Fulding Hicklin and John Dewberry who being first duly sworn deposite and saith that they saw John Gibson sign seal Consent and publish the within instrument in Writing as last will and testament and that at the time of his so doing he was of sound and disposing mind & memory. All this they

signed their names there as subscribing Witnesses by the request of John Gibson and in his presence and in the presence of each other and also said in like manner. Robert Bell said sign his Name there as a subscribing Witness - Gibson to and subscribed in Open Court the 6th day of February 1827.

Attest

John H. Dyre C.C.O.

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John Dewberry

The within and following foregoing will having been regularly proven by two of the subscribing Witnesses thereto It is therefore Ordered by the Court that the same be admitted to probate and regularly Recorded -

Recorded the 16th day of April 1828.

In the name of God Amen.

I Asa Dearing of Lawrence County and State of Alabama being weak in body but of sound mind Do make this my last Will & Testament - Item the first I give to my nephew John Thomas Dearing son of William Dearing the following Negroes: Kelly, Charles Lill Thompson and for her Children, Lucy William & Robert

Item 2^d I give to my Niece Eliza Margaret Ann Dearing Daughter of William Dearing now in prison and due sometime ago it was originally given for thirty Nine hundred Dollars (and now on Interest) Also my probate -

Item 3^d I give to Thompson Pasture my Horse Saddle and Bridle. Item 4th I give to my brother Aaron Dearing of Culpeper County State of Virginia (he paying my debt in that State) all my property of every description in the State aforesaid. Item 5th I give to my Brother William Dearing he paying all debts against me in

The State. all that he may now owe me. Called
 a Statement now take place. (except the Note before
 mentioned named all the Money now in the House
 Except One Hundred Dollars is the property of my
 Brother likewise the House & Lot in Courtland is to
 altho the title is made to me - And I do appoint
 my Brother William Dearing my sole Executor of
 this my last Will and Testament - In testimony
 whereof I have hereunto affixed my hand and seal
 this 21st day of September 1826. In presence of
 Young A. Gray
 W. Williams
 Samuel Young
 Asa Dearing Seal

At a return day of the County Court of Lawrence County in the State of Alabama began and
 held in the vacation at the Court House in the Town
 of Moulton on the first Wednesday after the first
 Monday in March 1827. present the Honorable
 Peter W Taylor Esquire Judge of the County Court
 of said County -

On the petition & application of Thomas A
 Pasture for the probate of the last will and Testament
 of Asa Dearing deceased late of said County. It appearing
 to the Court that said Asa Dearing deceased has no kin and
 in this State - a paper or instrument of Writing dated
 21st of September, 1826. subscribed Asa Dearing being
 affixed for probate and Record as the last Will &
 Testament of said deceased. Was proved by the Oaths
 of Edwin W Williams and Samuel Young and is
 thereupon ordered to be recorded as the last will and
 Testament of said Asa Dearing deceased

A Copy -

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John Gallacher Clerk

The foregoing will and Testament of Asa Dearing
 deceased was recorded in Book B. pages 178 & 179.
 test John Gallacher Clerk

State of Alabama
Lawrence County Let

I John Gallashers, Clerk of the County Court of said County do hereby Certify that the foregoing is a Copy of the last will and testament of Asa Deary deceased proved in the County Court of said County as recorded in my office in Book B. page 178 & 179. and also that the foregoing is a Copy of the order admitting the said last will and testament of the said deceased to Record made in Book B. page 140.

Seal

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seal of office at office in Moulton March 20th 1827.
John Gallashers,
Clerk

State of Alabama

Lawrence County Let. J. Peter Taylor Judge of the County Court of said County, do hereby Certify that John Gallashers whose name is subscribed to the foregoing Certificate was and is on this day Clerk of the County Court of Lawrence County aforesaid duly commissioned and sworn and that full faith and Credit are due to all his official acts as such and that said Certificate and Attestations of said Clerk are in due form -

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seal at office Moulton March 20th 1827.
Peter W Taylor
Robt J. G. C.

State of Alabama

Lawrence County Let County Court March 7. 1827.

On the application of Thomas A. Pasture for the probate of an instrument of Writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Asa Deary late of said County deceased dated on the 21st

day of September 1826. and therefore Came Gideon
 G. Williams and Samuel Young two of the Subscribing
 Witnesses to said Instrument of Writing whose Names are
 hereunto subscribed who after being duly sworn deposed
 and say that they saw the said Asa Dearing
 sign seal and publish the said instrument of Writing
 as and for his last will and testament. that at the
 time of his signing sealing and publishing the said
 Instrument he was in and of sound and disposing
 mind and Memory that they said Gideon G.
 Williams and Samuel Young subscribed their Names
 as Witnesses to said Instrument of Writing in the
 presence of the said Asa Dearing and at
 his request and in the presence of each other
 that they saw Young A. Gray the other sub-
 scribing Witness to said instrument of Writing subscribed
 his Name as a Witness to said Instrument of
 Writing in their presence and in the presence of
 said Asa Dearing and at his request and that
 they subscribed their Names as Witnesses to said
 Instrument of Writing in the presence of the
 said Young A. Gray

G. G. Williams

Samuel Young

Sealed

in testimony whereof I have
 set my Name and affixed my
 Seal of Office at office in Month
 July 2nd 1827.

John Gallacher Clerk

State of Alabama } Peter W Taylor Judge of
 Lawrence County } the County Court of said County
 do hereby certify that John G. Gallacher whose Name
 is to the above Certificate subscribed was at the time
 of the subscription Clerk of said Court and that
 said Certificate & attestation of said Clerk are in due
 form July 2nd 1827.

Peter W. Taylor Judge C.C.

Recorded the 16th April 1828.

In the Name of God Amen Know Ye that
 I Margaret Lee of the County of Wilkes and State of
 Georgia Taking into View the Morality of My body
 being at this time in a tolerable state of health, and
 of sound disposing mind and Memory do Constitute
 and ordain this My last Will and Testament in fo
 and Manner following that is to say.
 1st I give and bequeath unto My beloved son Daniel
 Lee two Negroes Bay, viz. Charles and Jordan 2^d
 I give unto My son John Lee a Negro Man name
 Ben. and the Money due me as My Legacy from the
 sale of My husband's Estate. I give unto the afore
 said Daniel and John Lee do as to make the Negro Man
 Ben equal to Charles and Jordan in Valuation at My
 death the Ballance of My property that is to say
 Stock of every description, Horns, Cattle Hogs Hogs
 this with my House hold and Kitchen furniture,
 plantation, tools and every such article as I may be
 possessed at My death to be equally divided between
 the aforesaid Daniel & John Lee after My death
 after paying all My just debts & defraying My funeral
 Expenses and the Money due me as above stated from
 the sale of My husband's Estate, as the aforesaid
 John & Daniel Lee have it in possession, that they have
 that Amount from the time of their receiving said
 Money the ballance of the afore mentioned property
 after My death, or in Case of the death of either of
 or either of the aforesaid Daniel or John Lee the
 property to go to their Lawful Heirs also My Negro
 woman Esther after my death to have her liberty
 so far as to work for her self and to have her Choice
 whether she will live with John & Daniel Lee and to
 be under their Direction so far as she shall not be
 suffered to stroll at Large, and which ever of the two
 she may Chose to live with, after My death shall
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Either during life. And also I do further Constitute and appoint the within named John and Daniel Lee my Lawful Executors to Execute this my last will and testament after my death and divide the property between themselves or their Heirs according to the tenor of of said will & I do further declare this to be my last will and testament revoking all others. In Witness hereof I have set my hand this thirtieth day of April A.D. one Thousand Eight hundred and twenty five

Signed in presence of
 Samuel Hurst } her
 Luc P. Leverett } Margaret Lee
 Mark

Georgia } In Chambers August 13th 1827.
 Wilkes County } Personally appeared before us two of the
 Justices of the Superior Court for said
 County. Luc P. Leverett one of the subscribing
 Witnesses to the within will, and being sworn saith
 that he saw the Testatrix Margaret Lee sign seal
 and acknowledge the within instrument of writing
 as her last will and testament and at the time
 of her so doing she was of sound and disposing
 mind and memory and that he subscribed the
 same as a Witness in her presence and at her
 request. Together with Samuel Hurst
 sworn to before us.

13th August 1827.

John B. Lennard J.L.C.
 Lewis S. Brown J.L.C.

Luc P. Leverett

Recorded 16th day of April 1828.

George a
 Wilkes County } In the Name of God Amen
 I George Miller of the State and County
 aforesaid being now in perfect health
 and of sound mind and memory as is usual, but
 knowing death is certain to all the human race &
 Lord having been pleased to bestow on me some of the
 property of this world Therefore that a distribution
 of the same may be had and made (after my
~~death~~ decease) as I deem just and right I have there-
 fore proper to make and Ordain this my Last will
 and Testament.

First I will that all my just debt be paid.
 Secondly I Give to my beloved wife Susan Miller during
 her Natural Life, all that part of the tract of Land where
 on I now live which is situated on the south side of the
 Branch Called the Big Branch including all the
 Land that I bought of Meqab W Davis and also
 give in the same manner to my beloved wife the follo-
 wing Negroes: VIZ, with a Man and Lucy his wife, Old
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 Isaac a Man, Hannah a Girl, Tom a Boy & Judith
 a Girl, Milly, a Woman and her son William Sarah
 And I also will to my wife in manner and form
 above all my stock of Every Kind (except a Bay
 Man Colt Called Damocad), if she Chooses or wishes
 it also all the plantation tools, also all my House-
 hold and Kitchen Furniture -

Thirdly It is my will that my Grand Daughter
 Apeneath Joseph Miller have the above Named
 Negro Girl Hannah together with her increase to be
 delivered to her at my wifes death if she is of full
 age. Otherwise to be taken care of and reared
 privately until she shall be of full age by
 son Richard Miller and I also give to her our
 feather Bed & furniture to be delivered to her at
 full age. And I also give to my Grand son William

to Wm. An Negro Boy by the name of William
 and an Negro Girl by the name of Sarah together
 with her increase increase, and the before mentioned boy
 Coll Diamond and one bed and furniture to be man-
 aged and delivered to him in like manner as his sister
 Appeniths property is to her Except the Coll which is to be
 sold on a Credit by my son Richard Wm. after
 my decease, and the Money arising from the sale
 to be put at Interest until he becomes of full age
 also it is my will that the said William Wm.
 shall have two thirds of the net proceeds of the sale
 of the property which may be sold at the death of
 my wife - And it is my will and desire that
 if either of my Grand Children Appenith and
 William or both of them should die before they
 become of age or after they do become of age without
 issue that the property I have willed to them shall
 be equally divided between my lawful heirs including
 the surviving one of them in case of the death of one
 Fourthly It is my will and desire that my son
 John C. Wm. shall have and be intitled to all the
 property and Cash which I have heretofore advanced
 to him and also an Negro Woman called V. & a
 Negro Man Isaac which Negroes he shall be intitled
 to at the death of my wife -
 Fifthly It is my will that my son Richard Wm.
 have at the death of my wife an Negro Man
 Will and his wife Lucy. And also the one half
 of the one third part of the net proceeds of the
 sale of the property at the death of my wife
 Sixthly It is my will that my son James D.
 Wm. have all the tract of Land whereon I
 now live with the Exception of that part loaned
 to my wife during her life time, but after her death
 all the Land belong to the said James D. Wm.
 and also give unto him the four Negroes which he

now has possession of say Sam a Man and Mary a
his wife and her two Children Rachel and Abner and
also at the death of my wife it is my will that he
shall have one other Negro by the name of Daniel &
my Clock and one still and apparatus belonging
to it. Also one Cotton Gin and thrashing Machine
seventhly I give and bequeath to my Daughter Eliza-
beth D. Wheeler the property she has already received
Also one Negro Hannah and her two Children Tom
and Judith to her natural heirs forever also to have
an equal share with my son Richard Willis in
the net proceeds of the sale of property at my
wifes death.

It is also my will that my son Richard Willis
have all the property both real and personal which
I have heretofore given him -
Eighthly and lastly -

I do hereby appoint my son Richard
Willis and my son James D. Willis my Executors to this
my last will and Testament

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my
hand and seal this 12th day of March in the
year of our Lord Eighteen hundred and twenty
four.

Attest and signed in the presence of

Leves Barrett

Luke Turner

Thomas Pullin

George Willis (S)

George
Willis County } Personally appeared in Open Court Luke Turner
and Thomas Pullin two of the Subscribing Witnesses
to the within instrument of Writing who being duly sworn depose
that they saw the Testator George Willis sign seal & acknowledge
the within Instrument of Writing as his last will & Testament
and at the time of his so doing he was of sound and
disposing mind & memory and that they subscribed their
names thereto as Witnesses in his presence and at his request

and that Lewis Barrett subscribed the same as Witness in their presence. and in the presence of the Testator and at his Request.

Given to in Open Court
September 3rd 1827.

J. H. Dixon C. C. O.

Luke Turner,
Thomas Pullin

Recorded the 17th day of April 1828.

Know all men by these Presents that I, Francis W. Butler of the County of Melber and State of Georgia being of sound and disposing mind and memory do make and Ordain this my last will & Testament, VIZ.

It is my will that the whole of my Estate be left to John W. Butler and Stephen G. Pettus in trust for the use of my three Children Francis A. G. Butler David E. B. Butler and Elizabeth S. W. Butler as hereafter directed. My intention is that my Children should have it while they live and after their death the part left in trust to each bequeath equally divided among their heirs and that the said John W. Butler and Stephen G. Pettus keep the same under their Control Management or otherwise. It is my will that my Estate thus left in Trust, as aforesaid be equally between my three Children as aforesaid with this Exception in Case of a Division should take place between them in their Father's Estate before they all arrive to the age of twenty one years old or marry and any one of them should by any providential accident lose their proportionable part or any part thereof. It is my will that such Loss be made equal to the other or others out of my Estate and the Balance be equally divided among them. My intention is that my Children should have an

equal portion of my property when they arrive to the age of twenty one year Old or many. On Condition they will abide by the accounts I now have and may have hereafter in Case any one or more of them should object to said accounts they shall forfeit all I have left them in trust as aforesaid. It is also my will that Francis and Elizabeth should have an equal education or as much so as the value of the Case will admit and David a better if his Talent will admit of it the not a classical education. And in Case their incumbent will not admit of such education then it is my will that the deficiency should be made up out of my Estate It is also my will that David should be learnt to Work before and after his education is accomplished and Francis and Elizabeth should be learnt to Work.

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this thirtieth day of July One Thousand eight hundred and twenty six.

Signed Sealed and
acknowledged in presence of
John B. Leonard J. C. C.
Simeon S. Brown
Osborn Stone

The word ballance intended
before signed

Francis W. Buller J. C. C.

Georgea } Personally appeared in Open Court John
Wilke, County } Leonard and Simeon S. Brown two of
the subscribing Witnesses to the within will who being
duly sworn depose and swear that they saw the
Testatrix Francis W. Buller sign and seal the within
Instrument of Writing as her last will and Testament
and at the time of her so doing she was of sound
disposing mind & memory & that they subscribed the same
as Witnesses in her presence and at her request - and that
Osborn Stone subscribed the same as a Witness in their
presence and in the presence of the Testatrix & at her request

Given to in Open Court
Sept. 3rd 1827.

John B. Seymour
Scriber & Brown

N. A. Tyson C. C. C.

Recorded the 17th day of April 1828.

Georgia

Wilkes County. Whereas it is appointed that men have to depart this life and being now on the seventh day of September in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight hundred and twenty seven of sound and disposing mind and Memory do by this present make declaration upon this instrument to be my last will and testament. To wit.

Item 1st My will and desire is that my beloved wife Delpha shall have hold and enjoy at her own will and discretion during her natural life the tract of land whether cultivated or uncultivated wood land or otherwise whereon I now live including the improvements thereon also four Negroes to be by my said wife made choice of all of my stock of Negroes which may remain at my death also her choice of any two of horses Cattle which may remain at my death also her choice of three Cows and a Calves which may remain at my death also all my stock of sheep and as many of my stock of hogs as my said wife may think necessary for the support of my said wife and her family also as much bread stuff Corn wheat Rye Oats fodder &c. as may be by said wife considered necessary for the support of her & family until until an other crop can be raised and produced off my said plantation and premises aforesaid also as much and as much and as many or the whole of my household and Kitchen furniture plantation tools &c. as she may deem necessary at her discretion aforesaid as also my Hogs of Oxen and Cart. All the foregoing property whether real or personal. I will that my said wife shall Control in her own way and at her own

discretion during her Natural life or widowhood, but if Such an event should happen that my said wife should intermarry then and in that case my will is that she have one Third of my said real Estate and a child's part of my said personal property set a part as aforesaid, and at the death of my said wife my will is that the residue of said personal property of every description be apart for the use of my said wife aforesaid shall be sold to the best advantage and the proceeds of said sale be equally divided between all my Children and their Lawfull descendants, and at the death of my said wife my wife my will is that the said tract of Land so as aforesaid Given to my said wife Other then One hundred acres which I design to Convey to my wife son Simon be equally divided in Value Between my Daughters, Elizabeth Newman Susanna Callaway, Uncia Arnold and Delpha Callaway,

My further will and desire is that all the residue of my property of whatsoever Nature or Kind it may be to be either real or personal other than what I have herein before bequeathed, to my said wife after my death may be sold to the best advantage, and the proceeds to be equally divided Amongst all my Children or their legal descendants in manner and form herein after directed & set forth that is to say when as I am of Opinion that my Daughter Uncia Arnold has Not heretofore received an equal share with her sister Delpha Callaway, I give and bequeath to her and the Lawfull heirs of her body my Negro Girl Jimmy and Harriett with and subject to the provisions and restrictions herein after mentioned described and stipulated and when as upon a subsequent division of some Negroes, distributed Amongst my Children my Daughter Susanna Callaway had a Negro set a part and valued by her worth One hundred and twenty five dollars Over and above what she was entitled unto in that division and when as also in a like division my Daughters Uncia Arnold and my Daughter Delpha Callaway had likewise received at said division Over and above their respective equivalents the

sum of twenty two Dollars each Now Therefore My will and desire is that the respective husbands of my said Daughters pay the sum which I have Calculated to be paid each as aforesaid sum eight Dollars to be paid by my said Daughters in proportion to the Calculation aforesaid to my son Simon and forty three dollars each to my sons John and Chenoth their heirs or legal representatives My further Will is that the respective husbands of my daughters aforesaid should be notified of this demand against them and if they should fail to make satisfaction. Then and in that Case My will is that they or either of them my said daughters Callaways or Arnolds shall not receive out of my Estate Any share or part until they or husbands shall have paid off and discharged the Demand against them aforesaid respectively together with the interest thereon from this date

My further will and desire is that all the property which I have by this present bequeathed to my said daughters either real or personal be and remain a property entirely in and at the entire and utter Control of my sons John Peter and Simon Peter in trust for the Maintenance Education, support and Comfort of my said Daughters, Elizabeth Neuman, Susannah Callaway, Anna Arnold and Delpha Callaway and their Children respectively and not to be subject in any manner whatever for sale by the husbands of my said daughters. My further Will and desire is that my sons Chenoth and my sons Simon after my Death manage the affairs appertaining to the Wellfairs of their Mother particularly and lastly I hereby nominate constitute and appoint my sons Chenoth Peter and Simon Peter Executors to this my last Will and Testament In testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this day and year first aforesaid

Signed Sealed and acknowledged
in the presence of

P.S. all the interlineations and
Obliterations and before last

his
Richard p Peter (Seal)
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place in the presence of the
testators and before it was signed
by him or the witness
Elizabeth ^{her} Arnold
mark
Sarah Ann S. Willborn
John S. Willborn
Johnson Willborn

Georgia } In the Court of ordinary September Term
Wilkes County, } 1827-

Personally appeared in Open Court Chinoth
Petel and Simon Petel Exrs of the last will and testa-
ment of Richard Petel deceased and made oath that
the paper herunto annexed purporting to be the will of
Richard Petel deceased bearing date on the 17th day of
September in the year Eighteen hundred and twenty
three is a true and correct copy of the will of the
said Richard Petel and that the same taken in
connection with an other paper of testamentary char-
acter now produced bearing date on the ninth day
of August in the year eighteen hundred and
twenty seven form the true last will and testament
of said Richard Petel - Deponents further say
that they have reason to believe and verily do believe
that at the time of the Execution of said two papers
the said Richard Petel was of sound and dispo-
sition of mind and memory
Subscribed to in Open Court Chinoth Petel
the 30th Sept 1827- Simon Petel

Attest
N. H. Gysoul Clk.

Upon the foregoing affidavit Ordered that said will
be proven in Common form of Law And that Letters be
given to the Exrs Therein named.
Recorded the 17th April 1828-

Georgea Wilkes County } Whereas it is appointed that men
 Now on the Ninth day of August in the year of
 our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Twenty Seven
 of sound and disposing mind and memory Do by these
 presents Make declare and pronounce this Instrument to
 be my last will and testament To wit,

Item first my will and desire is that my beloved wife
 Susannah shall have, hold and enjoy after my decease as
 her Own Estate all the property both Real and personal
 which I Obtained by an intermarriage with her my said
 wife to be Considered as her Own property, and as such
 to do and dispose of the same as may seem to her right
 and Just after my death as aforesaid -

Item second I also after my death as aforesaid Give to my
 beloved wife Susannah - During her widowhood or
 widow of me; four Negroes. To wit Negro man Harry
 Jack a Boy, Melley a Girl and Manda a Girl &
 at an intermarriage of my said wife or at her death
 It is my will that the before mentioned Negroes
 say Harry, Jack, Melley, and Manda shall go to
 and be the property of an Infant or Child that
 it becometh that my wife is now pregnant with or ~~goeth~~
 goeth with. Now to explain the gift of the said
 four Negroes the following is my will if the Infant or
 Infants alluded to should live to full age by marriage
 or otherwise it is my desire that the said four Negroes
 and their Increase if any shall be delivered to said
 Child to be and remain as its Own proper right or its
 heirs forever But provided, there should be no such Child
 or Children born or that it or them should not live to
 Lawfull age then ~~and in that Case~~ or at the death
 of said Child or Children the four Negroes shall be
 taken and deemed as part of my Estate at the
 death of my wife if she does not marry & to be
 equally divided amongst my first set of Children

Item There I also gave to my said wife one Bay mare
Two Cows and Calves and new head of Hogs. such as are
well able for making Bacon the ensuing winter
Item fourth It is also my will and desire that if the
aforesaid infant or infants should live or be raised to
full age it or them shall be entitled in their own right
to all that Tract of Land and improvements whereon
I now live containing some where about five hundred
acres adjoining Joseph Hensonson, Garrell Newman &
Others Now to explain their gifts it is to be understood
that given in the same way that the Negroes are given
and Lastly, I have by Name at Comstock and appointed
my sons Cheneth Peter and Simon Peter Executors to the
my last will and testament. In testimony whereof I
hereunto set my hand Mark and affixed my Seal
this day and year first aforesaid.

Signed sealed & acknowledged
in the presence of —

P. S. all the interlineations
in the presents of the
testator and before it was
signed by him or the Witnesses
J. A. Smith.

Thomas, Casey
Charles Smith
George A
Milner County,

his
Richard P. Peter (Seal)
Mark

September Term of the Supr Court of
said County, Eighteen hundred & twenty seven
Sitting for ordinary purposes

Personally appeared in Open Court Thomas Casey who
says upon oath that he saw said Richard and Peter sign
and Seal the within and foregoing will that he took
them with John E. Smith and Charles Smith in the
presence of the testator and at his request subscribed their
names as Witnesses and that at the same time of today
said Richard Peter was of sound & disposing memory
soon to in Open Court 3rd Sept. 1827. Thomas Casey
attest W. H. Dep on. C. C. R. 1st April 1828.

Georgia
 Wilkes County } In the name of God Amen I William
 Rorie of the County and State aforesaid
 being in a low state of health but in a sound mind and
 disposing memory having that proper to make this my last
 will and testament -

Item 1st To effect the all the payments of my Just debts.
 It is my will and desire that my hereafter named Executor
 should effect a sale of my goods and Chattle Lands and
 Annuities so far as will pay all my Just debts reser-
 ving to my wife Margaret McKee Rorie the Liberty of
 Poulting out such property as she may think most
 advisable to discharge all my debts.

Item 2^d It is my will and desire that the Residue of my
 Estate both real and personally should remain together
 with my wife until my Youngest son Andrew should
 become of age for his maintenance and to enable her
 to Educate them and then it is my will and desire that
 there should be an equal Division made Between my
 wife and my three sons VIZ, George Rorie, William
 Rorie and Andrew to share alike reserving
 to my said wife Margaret all at all times to Chan-
 ge the property in any way that she may think
 most advisable so that it is not taxed.

Item 3^d I hereby nominate and appoint my beloved
 wife Margaret McKee Rorie as my Lawfull Executor of
 this my Last will and Testament. I do hereby declare
 this to be my only will and Testament. In Testimony
 whereof I do hereunto set my hand and affix my seal
 this 12th of October day of in the year of our Lord
 Eighteen hundred and Twenty six -

Witness my hand
 Geo. Smith
 Coroner State

William Rorie Seal

In the Court
 Personally ap-
 peared George Smith
 Witness to the
 said Seal pre-
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Recorded
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In the Court of Ordinary January term 1828
 Personally appeared in Open Court Cornelius Stator and
 George Smith who being sworn said that they ever subscribing
 witnesses to the within will and that they saw William Rorer
 sign seal publish and declare the same as his last will &
 testament and at the time of his so doing he was of sound
 and disposing mind and memory that they did sign the same
 in the presence of the Testator and at his special instance
 and request and in the presence of each Oath and one
 William Owens who was also a subscribing witness
 Sworn to in Open Court

this 7th January 1828
 J. H. Depard C. C. O.

Cornelius Stator
 Geo. Smith

Recorded the 18th day of April 1828.

State of Georgia,
 Wilkes County

In the name God Amen

I Martha Douglass of the County aforesaid
 being of sound mind and memory and knowing that it
 is appointed once for all to die do make this my last will
 and testament (Viz), First of all I Commend my Soul to God
 and my Body to the Earth from whence it came to be Buried
 in a Christian like Manner And as touching such worldly
 goods or Estate which I have hereunto God to Bless me
 with in this life I give Devise and Dispose of it in the
 following manner & form.

1st I give to my son Thomas Douglass all the property I
 Possess both Real and Personal (Viz) One Negro Woman
 Name as Patney and my House hold Furniture as well
 as Kitchen Furniture, One Beast and stock of Cattle &
 And I do hereby appoint my son Thomas Douglass and
 Robert Pearman Executors to this my last will and
 Testament and hereby revoking all Others. In Witness whereof
 I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this
 twenty second day of September and in the year of our

Lord Eighteen hundred and twenty seven
 Martha Douglass
 mark

William Pearman
 Susanna H. Pearman

Georgia By John H. Dyson Clerk of our Court of Ordinary
 Wilkes County & for said County and State aforesaid
 To Simon Walker M. J. Pearman Esq. Greeting

Whereas there is a certain matter now pending in the Court
 of Ordinary for said County, and whereas on the application
 of Thoma. Douglass for probate of the last will and testament
 of Martha Douglass deceased and whereas Susanna H. Pearman
 is a Material Witness in said suits and cannot attend our
 said Court in person without manifest inconvenience. —

Now Know Ye, that we reposing Especial trust and confidence
 in your prudence and fidelity, have appointed you and you
 or any two or more of you are hereby authorized & required
 to cause the said Susanna H. Pearman personally to come
 before you; and after being duly sworn, to examine her concerning
 the said Will, agreeably to the interrogatories herunto annexed
 and the answers & the answers to the same, being plainly
 and distinctly written you are to send the same closed up
 under your hand & seal, to our said Court, to be held on
 the first Monday in January next together with this writ
 Witness the Honorable Thoma. Woolsten One of the
 Judges of said Court this 11th day of December 1827.

J. H. Dyson C. C. or W. C.

State of Georgia In the Court of Ordinary for said County
 Wilkes County On the application of Thoma. Douglass
 for probate of the last will and testament of Martha
 Douglass deceased.

Interrogatories, to be exhibited to Susanna H. Pearman
 a Witness to said Will, 1st Did Martha Douglass the

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Testatrix sign (by making her mark the annexed instrument of writing as her last will and testament and at the time of her so doing ^{was} of sound mind and disposing mind & memory - I did you or did you not sign the same as a Witness together with William Pearman in the presence of the testatrix and at her Request;

R. H. Dwyer. Clerk M.C.

Georgia } In Obedience to a Commission to us directed
Morgan County } from John H. Dwyer Clerk of the Court of Ordinary
for the County of Wilkes, We have Called Susanna H. Pearman
to Come before us who and to within Interrogatories, As follows -
1st Q^{ty} Did she Answer that Martha Douglass did assign the Ann
ex Instrument as her last will and testament by making her
mark and that she at the time was of sound mind and
disposing memory -
2nd Q^{ty} Did she assign the same with William Pearman
as a Witness in presence of the Testatrix her and myself both
assigned it at the request of the testatrix -

the above answers taken and sworn to before us this
20th December 1827-

W. J. Pearman Commissioner (Jr) Susanna H. Pearman
Simeon Walker Clerk (S.S.)

Recorded the 22nd day of September 1828.

In the name of God Amen 2nd day of Nov. 1827-

I Peter Curry of Wilkes County and State of Georgia being in
sound mind and memory but Calling to mind my State of
Mortality and the Certainty of Death Do Make & Ordain this
my last will and testament in the manner and form follow
ing (Viz) Item 1st My will is first that my last debts should
be promptly paid and as soon as possible Item 2^d I give to my
son Jacob Curry my Negro man named Solomon. Item 3^d
I give to my son Peter M. Curry my Negro man named Eliza

Item 4th I give to my Daughter Elizabeth Russell my Negro boy named Nelson
 Item 5th I give to my son Henry Curry my Negro Boy named Isaac
 Item 6th I give to my son Willie Curry my Negro Man named Samuel
 Item 7th I give to my Daughter Jane Burton the Land whereon I now live.
 Item 8th I give to my son Myler Curry my Negro Boy named Abram. Together with two Negro Children (VLD) a boy named William and a Girl named Caroline the two last named Negroes Change to him at three hundred and fifty Dollars the above named Negroes priced at four hundred and fifty Dollars a piece with the Exception of the two Children priced to Myler Curry also the Land given to Jane Burton Priced at Six hundred and fifty Dollars.
 Item 9th I give my son Myler Curry my stock of Hogs.
 Item 10th My last desire is that all my Estate not heretofore disposed of be Equally Divided Between my several Children (VLD) Jacob Curry, Peter M Curry, Elizabeth Russell, Henry Curry, Willie Curry, Jane Burton and Myler Curry.
 Item 11th I constitute and appoint Willie Curry and Myler Curry my Executors

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Peter ^{his} Curry
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James Mathews Junr
 Michael S. ~~Deak~~ Anderson
 John Sandrum

Georgia } Personally appeared in Open Court John Sandrum
 Wilkes County } who being duly sworn said that he heard Peter Curry the Testator acknowledge that he signed the within Instrument By making his Mark as his last Will and Testament and at the Time of his so doing he was of sound mind and disposing mind to the same as a witness in the presence of the Testator, and at his request together with James Mathews Junr, Michael S. ~~Deak~~ Anderson

Sworn to in Open Court
 March 3^d 1828 -

Attest
 M. S. ~~Deak~~ Anderson

John Sandrum.

Recorded the 22nd day of Sept. 1828.

Item 12th I give to my Daughter Elizabeth Russell my Negro boy named Nelson
 Item 13th I give to my son Henry Curry my Negro Boy named Isaac
 Item 14th I give to my son Willie Curry my Negro Man named Samuel
 Item 15th I give to my Daughter Jane Burton the Land whereon I now live.
 Item 16th I give to my son Myler Curry my Negro Boy named Abram. Together with two Negro Children (VLD) a boy named William and a Girl named Caroline the two last named Negroes Change to him at three hundred and fifty Dollars the above named Negroes priced at four hundred and fifty Dollars a piece with the Exception of the two Children priced to Myler Curry also the Land given to Jane Burton Priced at Six hundred and fifty Dollars.
 Item 17th I give my son Myler Curry my stock of Hogs.
 Item 18th My last desire is that all my Estate not heretofore disposed of be Equally Divided Between my several Children (VLD) Jacob Curry, Peter M Curry, Elizabeth Russell, Henry Curry, Willie Curry, Jane Burton and Myler Curry.
 Item 19th I constitute and appoint Willie Curry and Myler Curry my Executors

TEST.
 James
 Miller

Being very low in Health, and Conscious that I cannot live long I in the presence and view of my Natural Mind make this my last Will and Testament —

Item 1st That my just ~~last~~ debts are first paid.

Item 2nd I will and bequeath my Negro Man Phillips to my beloved Sister Mary Wright and after her death to her Children; Also the tract of Land whereon I now reside to the said Mary Wright. And after her death to her Children.

Item 3rd I will and bequeath to my Nephew Burton Wright my body man, also the balance of my Crop after the payment of my just debts.

Item 4th I will and bequeath my Stock of Hogs to my brother John Sandrum; also half of my Stock of Cows; also all my House hold and Kitching furniture excepting one bed and three ^{white} Counterpane. Item 5th I will and bequeath to the Children of my Brother, Samuel Sandrum of Alabama

Item 6th I will and bequeath my Old Negro Woman Hagar to my brother John Sandrum, or my Sister Mary Wright (and to live at no other than house than one of these) at her own option and will. Item 7th I will and bequeath one half of my Stock of Cows to my Sister Mary Wright. Item 8th I will and bequeath my Old black Horse to my Sister Mary Wright —

Item Ninth Finally as my last Will, I constitute and appoint my Brother John Sandrum the Executor of this my last Will and Testament

Given under my hand and seal this the 23rd of July in the year of our Lord 1827.

his
Nancy X Sandrum 
Mark.

TEST.

J. P. Watkins
James Matthews Jr.
William Norman

Georgia
Wilkes County } Personally appeared in Open Court James H. Matthews
who being duly sworn saith he saw the Testator
Nancy Sandrum sign and seal the Annexed instrument of
Writing as her last will and testament and at the time of her
so doing she was of sound and disposing mind and memory
and that he signed his Name thereto in her presence as a
Witness together with James Matthews Jr & William Norman
Esqrs. to in Open Court
March 3rd 1828 - J. H. Matthews
J. H. Dwyer Ck.

Recorded the 22nd day of September 1828 -

Georgia
Wilkes County } In the name of God Amen.
I Joseph Walker Sen^r of the State and County aforesaid being
in perfect health of body but of perfect mind and memory
Calling to mind that it is appointed for man once to die
do make and Ordain this My last Will and Testament
in the following manner to wit after my funeral Expenses
and just Debt be paid I wish disposed of in the following
manner; All my and Chables both real and personal to
Remain in the possession of my beloved wife Elizabeth Walker
for the purpose of maintaining her, and raising and educa-
ting her two Children Joseph and Jane with discretionary
powers in my Executors to act and do in Consulting what may
seem best at all times except such things as is hereinafter
named. When as I have given off heretofore to my Children
that have been married some things in Order to enable them
to begin to live in a Comfortable manner My Will is that
those that have not Rec^d the like should have as much
in like manner as they arrive to that state to which they
may be entitled to claim the same the Remaining part of
my Estate after so doing to Remain in the possession of my
beloved wife during her Natural life then the Remaining
part both Real & personal to be sold and an Equal Dis-

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intention to be made Between all my Children or their legal
Representatives as the Case may be Except John Walker who has inter-
married with my Daughter Mary Walker which neither of them
is to have any part, but the share of her body to have the Notable
part of Our Estate as also John & Joseph Walker sons of Isaac
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I Reserve Special trust and Confidence in my Executors and
Grant them discretionary power to sell in Case of necessity
or Convenience any property as may appear to be for the benefit
of them - I Constitute my Sons David Walker and James
Walker my Executors of this my last will and testament
and I Do utterly disavow Revoke and disannul all &
Every Other former Will and testament and I Do utterly dis-
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testament Will legacies bequests and Executors by me named
Signed sealed and delivered in presence of us

J. May
James M. Anderson
John Dypson

his
Joseph & Walker (J. B.)
Mark.

Georgia } Court of Ordinary March 11th 1828.
Wilkes County } Personally appeared in Open Court John Dypson
and James M. Anderson Two of the subscribing Witnesses to
the Annexed wills, and being duly sworn, say that they
saw the Testator Joseph Walker sign the Annexed will by
making his Mark thereto and at the time of his so doing
he was of sound and disposing Mind and Memory, and
that they subscribed their names thereto as Witnesses in
his presence And at his request, And that Sebastian J.
May also subscribed his name to the same as a Witness
at the same time in the presence of the Testator, and
at his request
sworn to in Open Court
March 11th 1828 -
Attest
John Dypson
James M. Anderson
Recorded the 22nd Sept. 1828 -

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State of Georgia

County of Wilkes, In the Name of God Amen.

I Richard Randolph of the County and State aforesaid, being of Sound Mind and Disposing Memory; after resigning my body to this earth from which I came; Do Make this my last Will and testament revoking all others heretofore made, First My will is that all my real and personal Estate Remain Undivided until all my just debts are paid the debts that may be due me at the time of my death (or as much thereof as can be got in) Also the Crops that may be growing at the time of my death and also (if need be) the ~~same~~ succeeding Crops (excepted such part as may be necessary to support Comfortably my Widow and her four ~~last~~ youngest Children) shall be applied to the payment of my just debts that I may then owe, but if there should be no debts owing, the Negroes shall not be taken away until the Crops then growing shall be finished; which Crops on the plantation where I live shall be for the use of my Widow, and the Crops of the other place or places to be divided in the same manner as the lands on which they were Raised.

Secondly I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Dolly Randolph under her heirs forever the Tract of Land whereon I now live lying and being on the Waters of Beaver Dam Creek in the County of Wilkes containing four hundred and Eighty acres more or less situate two miles south from Washington on the main Road leading ~~from~~ to Greensborough; bounded by Goode Butler and others Together with my Carriage and Horses, all the House hold & Kitchen furniture; the stock of horses, Cattle, hogs and Sheep and farming Utensils, to the said house and plantation belonging or in any wise appertaining.

Thirdly I give unto my wife Dolly Randolph & her heirs forever an Other Tract or parcel of Land containing sixteen acres on the Waters aforesaid in the County aforesaid adjoining the tract whereon I now live and lands of Mr. Springer

Staves and Others; it being the same tract that I purchased of Benjamin Throod —

Fourthly, after all my just debts are paid my will further is that my Negro property be divided into five equal Shares Lots or parcels; and if it should happen (as is often the case) that no division can be made which will make every lot of the same Value, the difference shall be paid and received Between them so as to make them equal. My wife Dolly Randolph shall then have which saever of the said Lots or parcels she may Choose and prefer, and the other four remaining lots or parcels shall be drawn for by my three Daughters Martha P. Randolph Maria J. Randolph and Dolly Randolph and my son Edmund Randolph which said lots or parcels I give severally to them and their heirs —

Fifthly My Will further is, that all my real and personal Estate not heretofore in this will disposed of be equally shared by my three Daughters, Martha P. Randolph Maria J. Randolph and Dolly Randolph, and my son Edmund Randolph and their heirs as tenants in Common, and not as Jointtenants. It is to be understood however that half of the Stock on my Plantation in Columbia is not intended to be included in this bequest, the said half belonging to my son Thomas P. Randolph. Sixthly It is further my will that we shall in no wise be answerable to any of the legates for the hire of the Negroes or any of the proceeds or profits of the real or personal estate which may accrue at any time previous to the ends of the year in which I may depart this life.

Seventhly, I hereby appoint my wife Dolly Randolph the sole Executrix of this my last and testament. I also appoint her guardian to my two youngest Children, Edmund Randolph and Dolly Randolph, with full power in either Capacity (as well that of Guardian as of executrix) to do all acts which she may deem necessary and expedient in the management and in the Conveyance of titles as well of Real as of Personal Estate, and security is not to be required of her in her guardianship and of Courses not as Executrix. And the

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