

351) Georgia Wilkes County } In the Court of Probate at Chambers
 Personally appeared before me Levi Kendall one of the
 Witnesses to the within will who being duly sworn depose & state
 that he saw the within named Kimbro & Turner sign the within
 instrument as his last will & Testament that said Turner was at
 the time of signing & disposing mind, that he executed the same Volun-
 tarily & of his own accord, that deposeant signed the same in his
 presence & in presence of the other witnesses, & that they also
 signed in his presence & in presence of the testator the other
 witnesses being John M. Rootier & Nancy Cullens & that said
 Kimbro signed in presence of them all & requesting them to
 subscribe as witnesses
 Sworn to & Subscribed in } Levi Kendall
 presence of Feb-6-1864 }
 G. G. Norman Clerk

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Georgia Wilkes County } I George B. Rorie of State & County
 aforesaid being in good health & of sound disposing mind & memory
 do make this my last will & Testament hereby revoking all former
 wills by me made. Item 1st It is my will that my just
 debts be paid. Item 2nd I hereby give & bequeath to my beloved
 wife Jane C. Rorie - the whole of my estate for & during her natural
 life (should she remain single) for the maintenance of herself &
 children & when my daughters Mary Ann & Martha Jane shall
 respectively arrive at the age of twenty one years that my wife give
 them from my estate two hundred dollars each. It is my further
 will that as my sons arrive at lawful age my wife let them
 have such property as she can spare & the child so receiving to ac-
 count for the same at a final division of my estate.

Item 2nd It is my will should my wife marry again that
 there a division take place my daughters to receive two hundred
 dollars each from my estate & then the balance be equally
 dividing between my wife & children share & share alike. My two
 daughters coming in for a share as I intend them to have the
 two hundred dollars each a love adieu with my other children.

Item 3rd If my wife remain single then I desire her to keep
 the whole of my estate (save the two hundred dollars) for each of my
 daughters & manage the best she can for herself & children with
 full power to buy or sell & then reinvest again & at her death
 then what may remain of my estate after the two hundred dollars
 has been taken out for my children to be divided share &
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I hereby nominate my wife Jane C. Roie
executrix of this my last will
Signed. Sealed & acknowledged by the testator
George B. Roie as his last will & Testament
in Chap presence March 8th 1862
M. G. Robert }
B. F. Bowdoin } George B. Roie
John W. Heard } 3

Willis Court of Guilford May Term 1864
Personally appeared in open Court John W. Heard & being sworn
says that he saw George B. Roie sign & seal the foregoing
instrument which he acknowledges as his last will & at the time
of his so doing he was of sound disposing mind & memory that he
signed as a witness in his presence at his request together with
M. G. Robert & B. F. Bowdoin }
Sworn to & Subscribed in open Court May 2nd 1864 John W. Heard
G. & Norman Judge } 3

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Grogia Wilkes County } Last Will of Susan Wingfield
Susan Wingfield revoking all wills heretofore made by
me do declare this to be my last Will & Testament
Item 1st I wish my just debts to be paid if there are any at
the time of my death from each of my property as is least valuable
or such money a note or claims as may be due me at my death
Item 2nd The residue of my property my house & lot & furniture
& every thing else of every kind whatever real personal or mixed I
will & bequeath as follows. to my single daughter Leonora during
her natural life & at her death or marriage in either of these events
whichever may happen. I wish the same to be divided as follows
if she dies unmarried the whole to be equally divided between
the children of Francis G. Wingfield representing one share. The
children of James N. Wingfield representing one share. The children
of my deceased daughter Sarah Ann Reeves representing one
share. The children of Cornelia S. Colver representing one
share. The children of Thomas J. Wingfield representing one
share & in the event of said Leonora's marriage then the afore-
said property to be equally divided as above between the same
persons & Leonora Wingfield herself she when married to stand
equally with the others as a distributee & her part to be for her
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& control of the person she married or may at any time marry

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As a Corollary to the above Will, I will & bequeath to my daughter Leonora, in fee Simple irrespective of Condition the House & Lot on which I live for her Sole & Separate use not to be subject to liabilities of any husband she may marry & with power in her to dispose of the same by deed or Will as she may please.

Signed & published as the will of Mr. S. W. in our
presence & in the presence of each other

Wm Reese
Geo Palmer
C Winfield

Susan Wingfield

State of Georgia I Having executed a will on 19th Feb'y 1859 & a Coded
Will for County to the same on 3rd Nov 1863 & now desiring to make
an alteration to said will & Coded I do declare this to be an
additional Coded to my will & Coded of said day. Viz. the house
& lot named in said Coded & given to my Leonora in fee simple
I will that if she dies without leaving issue (either Children
or other immediate descendants alive at her death) then
the said House & Lot to be equally divided as set forth in
my Will between my other Children & the lawful representatives
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16th March 1864
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Witnessed Person left appearing before me George Palmer &
being duly sworn says that he saw Susan Wingfield sign
as a Codicil to her last will the annexed paper & at the
time of her so doing she was of sound & disposing mind
& memory that she executed the same voluntarily & that he
signed the same as a witness in her presence at her request
that Wm M Reese & A Wingfield also signed in his presence
& in presence of Testator & at her request. Said signing
was done on the 3rd Nov 1863 & he further deposes that
on the 16th March 1864 he signed an additional Codicil to
the will of said Susan Wingfield. she having first signed
the same in his presence & in the presence of S G Pittman
& M O Wingfield. who also signing the same as witnesses
in her presence that they all signed together in her presence
at her request & at the time of said signing she was of
sound disposing mind & memory

Sworn to & Subscribed }
before me Apr 28-1864 }
G G Norman Only }

Geo Palmer

State of Georgia In person before me Came William M
Wickes County J Reese & being duly sworn says he saw the
within named Susan Wingfield sign the within named will &
Codicil as her last will that he signed the same as a witness
with Churuth Callaway William Shearn & George Palmer
& Octavia Wingfield at the request of said Susan & in her
presence & in the presence of each other that she signed the
will & Codicil in his & their presence that she was at
the time of signing said will & Codicil of sound disposing
mind & memory & did execute both said will & Codicil
voluntarily.

Subscribed & sworn to before }
me this 29-April 1864 }
G G Norman Only }

W M Reese

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State of Georgia
Wilkes County } In the name of God Amen, I John D
Chelton of said State and County being of advanced age and
on a bed of sickness but of sound mind and memory, knowing
that I must shortly depart this life deem it right and proper
as respects myself and family that I should make a disposition
of the property which a kind Providence has blessed me, I do therefore
make this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking and
annulling all others by me heretofore made.
Item first I desire that my body may be buried in a decent &
Christian like manner.

Second I will and direct that my debts due Mrs Sam Gibson
William C Ward, R. M. Chelton (my sister) also a debt due
Robert W Dualls and the debts due in Charleston, and all other
just debts about home be paid immediately.

Third, I will and direct that all of my silver ware, household &
kitchen furniture of my description be equally divided between
my five daughters Ellen R. Warren E. Caroline D. Emily
and Abigail etc.

Fourth I give unto my son Augustus I Chelton my gold watch
and my gold headed cane.

Fifth I will and direct that all the residue of my property be
equally divided share and share alike between all my children
Ellen R. John W. Thomas P. Warren E. Caroline D. Chelton
W. Augustus I & Emily I. except except I see them and Dolly
herafter mentioned.

Sixth The share of my daughter Ellen R. I will and direct to be
equally divided between her and her son Augustus W. Hanson
except the house hold and kitchen furniture, the said Ellen
to have control of said property as Guardian, during her widowhood
or until her son comes of age.

Seventh I will and direct that the share of my son John
W. be placed in the hands of my Brother William L Chelton
in trust for my son John, he paying him the annual income
from the same, and to turn over the whole of said share
to John when in his Judgment he shall think it safe
to do so.

Eighth I will and direct that the sum of two thousand
Dollars be placed in the hands of John D. Milleson for
the purpose of educating my Daughter Emily, that he

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children,

Fourth I will and do not that any property or effects that
either of my children may have in their possession recd of
me they can keep the whole or any portion of the same
it being accounted for in the settlement.

Fifth, I hereby appoint my son in law John P. Millecose
Guardian of the persons and property of my son Benjamin
D and Emily D.

Sixth, I hereby appoint my Brother William L. Cleveland
my son in law Peter W. Dualls and John P. Millecose
Executors of this my last will and testament to settle up my
my Estate in the best manner they can, this May 14th 1864

Signed Seal declare and published
by Aaron C. Cleveland as his last will
and Testament in the presence of the
undersigned who subscribed our names
witness in the presence of said testator at
his special instance and request and
in the presence of each other this
May 14th 1864

O. G. Gitting
Geo Palmer
John Canady

May 24th 1864
Witness Henry, an Attorney
Before me came on the 24th day of May 1864
at Chambers for the purpose of proving the last will and
testament of Aaron C. Cleveland the testator to said will
(Wz) David G. Gitting, George Palmer and John Canady
and the will being before that time brought before me for
probate by the Executors Peter W. Dualls, William L. Cleveland
and John P. Millecose who having filed a petition for the
Probate of the same, they the said Witnesses depose that they
saw the said A. C. Cleveland sign and publish the same
as his last will on the day and year then stated as executed
by him, that they witnessed the same at his request in
his presence and in presence of each other, and the same
was voluntarily executed by him while he was of
sound mind and memory.
Subscribed before me
24th May 1864. L. L. Norman Clerk

A. A. Cleveland
(Seal)

O. G. Gitting
Geo Palmer
John Canady

Georgel
 Wilkes County } I Samuel J Burns of said State
 and County do declare and publish this to be my last
 will and Testament.

Item 1st I desire and desire that all my just debts be paid
 with as little delay as possible.

Item 2nd Whatever interest of any I have in the negroes and
 increase present or future brought to my home by my
 present wife at the time of our intermarriage and also
 whatever interest I may have in furniture of any kind
 brought as above or in any other property brought as above
 I relinquish and give to my said wife.

Item 3rd I give to my wife One hundred Dollars to be paid
 by my Executor at my death.

Item 4th I give and bequeath to my three Children
 Samuel J. Martha E. & Susannah each the sum of
 Five hundred Dollars.

Item 5th I give and bequeath to my two Children William
 Burns & Adela E. Smith as a compensation for
 their share in James Burns' Estate held by me
 () the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars
 each;

Item 6th The Legacies given in Item 4th & 5th of this will
 I intend to be in full satisfaction of all and every
 claim of any and all my children upon me on account
 of James Burns' Estate held by me, and further to
 secure the settlement I will and desire that if any of
 my children contend for their part of James Burns
 Estate their entire interest of any sort in this will
 shall be forfeited & pass to their Brothers and Sisters.

Item 7th I give and devise to my five Children (viz)
 William, Adela E. Samuel J. Eliza E. and Susannah
 all the rest of my Estate, Lands Negroes Stock and
 other property, the part for Adela E. Smith to be hers
 during her life and after her death to go to her present
 children, and if she ever marry at any time I will
 that her part of my Estate to her own separate Estate
 to dispose of as she please free from the debts contracts
 and control of any husband, the part for my two
 other daughters I wish and will to be their own
 separate Estate free from the debts contracts and
 control of any husband they may have with full

power to dispose of the same by Will or Will as they chose
 In respect to the negroes mentioned in this clause I desire and desire
 that they be equally divided according to families as far as
 possible and said division to be made according to prin-
 -ciples of Justice and humanity as near as practicable,
 The other property herein Willed to be sold in order to
 effect a division of necessary to pay my debts,
 Item 8 I appoint my friend Wm. Rose to be the Executor
 of this my last Will and Testament,

Signed, sealed, published & declared as the last Will and Testament
 of Samuel J Burns.

In presence of this 3^d September 1866
 A Pope Jun
 Robt J Smith
 Wm M Becker

Samuel J Burns
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State of Georgia  
 Wilkes County 3 Court of Ordinary June Term 1864  
 Personally appeared in open Court Robert J Smith &  
 William M Becker and being sworn they saw  
 Samuel J Burns sign the within paper which he  
 acknowledge as his last Will and at the time of  
 her so doing he was of sound mind and that said  
 paper was signed by him voluntarily as far as they  
 know and believe, that they signed the same as  
 Witnesses in his presence at his request - and in presence  
 of each other together with A Pope Junior,  
 From to in open Court June 6. 1864

G G Norman Clerk  
 Robert J Smith  
 Wm M Becker  
 Received 25<sup>th</sup> June 1864



State of Georgia } In the name of God Amen  
 Wilkes County } I Othnel Wheatley of said State & County  
 being Compelled to go to the Army in defense of my Country, do make  
 this my last will & Testament, hereby revoking & annulling all  
 others by me heretofore made

Item the I give & bequeath to my two Sisters to wit: Sarah &  
 Rhoda Wheatley all my interest in my father's Estate that may in  
 coming to me when they have a sale & division to have & keep  
 the same for me until I return from the War & if I never return  
 for them to have it equally dividing among themselves & have it  
 forever for their own proper use  
 Signed, Sealed & published by Othnel Wheatley  
 as his last will & Testament in the presence of  
 of us the undersigned who subscribing our names  
 here to in the presence of said testator at his  
 special instance & request & in the presence of  
 each other this 27<sup>th</sup> of October 1863

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E W Anderson  
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 G W Muse  
 Thos J Bowen

State of Georgia } Court of Ordinary at Chambers  
 Wilkes County } Sept 27<sup>th</sup> 1864

Personally appearing before me E W Anderson & G W Muse  
 two of the subscribing witnesses to the within mentioned who  
 being duly sworn depose & say that they saw Othnel Wheatley  
 sign & seal the same which he acknowledged as his last will  
 & Testament & at the time of his so doing he was of sound disposing  
 mind & memory. That they, saying the same as witnesses in his presence  
 at his request & in the presence of each other together with  
 Thos J Bowen & John M. Bookings.

Sworn to & Subscribed  
 before me  
 G. B. Norman Clerk

E W Anderson  
 G W Muse

Georgia Wilkes County 3

I Hunter C Pope of said County do make the following will  
 1<sup>st</sup> After payment of my just debts, having full confidence in  
 my good judgment & discretion. I leave to my beloved wife Beate-  
 rice C Pope all my property real & personal to be managed  
 & used by her as her own without making appearance or return  
 2<sup>nd</sup> In case of her marrying again or it may then be nec-  
 -essary to make provision for our Child (or Children should  
 -other be born) I desire an equal division to be made  
 of the property between her & such Child or Children  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Should my Child or Children die before marrying or  
 coming of age. I desire the share of such Child to go to  
 my wife & remaining Child if there be one, the part or whole  
 thereof coming to my wife to be enjoyed by her during  
 life. & then to go to my other Child, if any living or rep-  
 -resented by wife or Children. if no child or such repre-  
 -sentative living then to go to my brother & sister of the full  
 blood, any deceased one to be represented by children if  
 any living

4<sup>th</sup> I desire one half of the property of any daughter held  
 in trust by a trustee appointed by my wife if living) or  
 my daughter. With power of changing trustee he to hold free  
 from marital rights & with power to manage, sell & remove  
 for the benefit of such daughter

5<sup>th</sup> I appoint my wife executrix & testamentary guardian  
 during widowhood of my Children

In Witness Whereof I have set my hand & Seal  
 this 16<sup>th</sup> day 1863

signed, sealed, declared & published as Hunter C Pope  
 the last will of Hunter C Pope July 16<sup>th</sup>  
 1863 in our presence he signing in  
 our presence & we in his & each  
 other & at his request

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 J. O. D. Woods  
 Wm. C. Pope

Georgia Wilkes County 3 The undersigned make oath that the  
 foregoing instrument was signed, sealed, declared & published by Hunter  
 C Pope late of said County dec. on his last will & testament on the  
 day & year stated & that this was done in their presence & that they  
 subscribed the same as witnesses in the presence of Testator & at his

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request & in presence of each other. that he did the said Voluntary  
by & was of sound & disposing mind & memory and that John B. Weems  
signed the same & at the same time  
known to & subscribing

before me at 7<sup>th</sup> 1864

G. G. Norman Clerk

Sarah Barnett  
Wife of John B. Weems

Georgia I, Wylie P. Hill of the State & County aforesaid being of  
Wilkes County sound mind & memory make this my last will & Testament  
Item 1<sup>st</sup> I wish all my just debts paid  
Item 2<sup>nd</sup> I wish my property of every description both real personal & mixed  
to be held & kept together for the use & benefit of my family the same in though  
I were living & as each child becomes of age a married he or she to draw an  
equal share. The remainder to remain together as above stated -  
Item 3<sup>rd</sup> And should my wife marry then she is to draw an equal share of all  
my property & in that event then the management of my estate is to devolve  
on my son Thomas P. Hill if of age & my nephew John M. Hill of Coweta Co Ga  
Item 4<sup>th</sup> My property in the West I wish sold that is the Real Estate & all the busi-  
-able effects except the Negroes, Horses, Mules & Wagons which I wish being  
to Georgia & used & applied as my property above stated

Item 5<sup>th</sup> I hereby constitute & appoint my beloved wife Jane Hill Executors  
& my son Thomas P. Hill on his becoming of age & my nephew John M. Hill  
of Coweta Co Executors to carry out & execute this my last will & Testament  
Signed, sealed & acknowledged in the presence of us

The subscribing Witnesses this 10<sup>th</sup> day of September 1864

L M Hill 2  
Reckoning Sins

B. F. Jordan 3 State of Georgia Wilkes County 3 Court of Orphans  
at Chambers Nov 29<sup>th</sup> 1864

Personally appeared before me L M Hill & Reckoning Sins & being duly sworn  
before & say that they saw Wylie P. Hill sign & seal the within instrument  
which he acknowledged as his last will & Testament that at the time  
he was of sound disposing mind & memory that they signed the same as  
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together with B. F. Jordan who also signed as a witness  
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G. G. Norman Clerk 3

L M Hill  
Reckoning Sins



In January the year of our Lord 1844

Being in health & of a perfect sound & composed mind knowing the certainty of death & yet the uncertainty of the time I shall go to my long home. do make this my last will & Testament in manner & form that I give to my wife Martha Waller my land all my furniture stock negroes & every other thing whatsoever which I now stand possessed of for & during her natural life. after her decease to go to my children & then I bequeath my land in the following manner to be sold & divided into five equal shares Mary Norman's surviving to have one share Nancy Goolsby's surviving Children to have one share Githen Lewis's surviving Children to have one share Charlotte Hensley's surviving Children to have one share Henrietta Wallers to have one equal share Item 3<sup>d</sup> I give to Peninah Waller one negro girl Nainly & with her increase. if Peninah die without issue at the decease of Perry Waller the afore-said and increase I bequeath the Elizabeth Eades & her heirs

Item 4<sup>th</sup> I will that George & Cate have the privilege of living with one of my Children of their choice & the one they live with pay per year fifteen dollars each year as long as George & Cate live the money to be paid to Peninah Waller at the expiration of each year & at Peninah's death let them choose to live with whom they please

6<sup>th</sup> Item I give & bequeath a boy named James to Benjamin B Waller 7<sup>th</sup> Item I give & bequeath a boy named Jackson to William W Waller

9<sup>th</sup> Item at the decease of my wife Martha Waller I will that all excepting the bequests before mentioned to be sold & all expenses & debts to be paid of the proceeds of stock furniture & crops

10<sup>th</sup> I give & devise one hundred dollars to the Baptist Convention of Georgia the intent to be used in sending the Gospel or the word where people are in darkness having no light

11<sup>th</sup> of the balance that remain I give & bequeath two shares to Benjamin B Waller

12 I give & bequeath one share to William W Waller

13. I hereby appoint Benjamin Fortson Benjamin B Waller & William W Waller Executors of this my last will & Testament in testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal Signed & Sealed in presence of

John R. Anderson

Marion Waller

W H Quinn  
B J Quinn JP

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Georgia Middle County Court of Ordinary Dear Sirs 1844  
Personally appeared in open Court  
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matrimony & being sworn says that he saw Nimrod Waller sign & seal the same which he acknowledges as his last will & Testament & at the time of his so doing he was of sound disposing mind & memory, that he signed the same as witness in his presence at his request together with Gilman A. Anderson & J. J. Sumner who also signed as witnesses.  
 W. D. Sumner  
 sworn to & subscribed  
 in open Court Nov 5<sup>th</sup> 1864  
 by G. Norman Clerk

State of Georgia } I Garland Wingfield of said State & County being in perfect  
 Wilkes County } health but of sound disposing mind & memory do make this  
 my last will & Testament, hereby revoking all former wills made by me  
 Item 1<sup>st</sup> I will that all my just debts be paid by my Executors herein after  
 naming without delay

Item 2<sup>nd</sup> I give & bequeath to my beloved wife Rebecca Wingfield the whole of my Estate real personal or mixed to be enjoyed by her during her natural life

Item 3<sup>rd</sup> I give & bequeath after the death of my wife to Sarah G. Pettus for & during her natural life & her children & after her death the said Negroes with all their increase to go to James H. Lane & wife

Item 4<sup>th</sup> I give & bequeath after the death of my wife to J. S. Lane & wife Elizabeth the following Negroes with all their increase to wit Lewis Green Andrew Amanda & her children Betty & her children Margaret & her children to be held & enjoyed by them during their natural lives & at their death to their children & share & share alike  
 Item 5<sup>th</sup> I give to James H. Lane & wife after the death of my wife all the balance of my Estate Real personal or mixed to be enjoyed by them during their natural lives & at their death to go to their children share & share alike

Item 6<sup>th</sup> It is my will & desire that James H. Lane & wife pay to Rebecca Wingfield daughter of Charles Wingfield the sum of one thousand dollars to Rebecca Wingfield Griffin daughter of James Griffin the sum of one thousand dollars & to Garland Turner son of Luke Turner the sum of one thousand dollars. It is my desire that the said James H. Lane & wife pay the bequests in this will as soon as convenient but they are not to be changeable with interest on the amounts

Item 7<sup>th</sup> If any of my negroes are dissatisfied with the disposition I make of them it is my will & desire that such negro or negroes be appraised by three disinterested men & such negro or negroes be sold by my Executors to such persons as the negroes may select

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taking off eight percent from the appraising value  
Item 8. I hereby nominate & appoint my beloved wife  
Rebecca Wingfield executrix & my friend James & Lane  
Executors of this my last will & testament.

Signed Sealed & published by the  
Testator G Wingfield as his last will  
& testament in the presence of us  
who signed as witnesses in his presence  
& in presence of each other August 15<sup>th</sup> 1864  
James D. Smith  
James E. Wadley  
G Wingfield

G Wingfield

State of Georgia } Court of Ordinary  
Wilkes County } February 5<sup>th</sup> 1865

Personally appeared in open Court F. G. Wingfield James E. Wadley  
& James D. Smith the subscribing witnesses to the foregoing will of  
Garland Wingfield decd who being duly sworn depose & say that they  
saw Garland Wingfield sign & seal the same which he acknowledged  
to be his last will & testament & at the time of his so doing he was  
of sound disposing mind & memory. that they signed as witnesses in  
his presence at his request & in presence of each other  
Sworn to & subscribed in open Court July 15<sup>th</sup> 1865  
F. G. Wingfield  
James E. Wadley  
James D. Smith

In the name of God Amen  
I John M. Pullen being sound in mind & memory & taking into Consideration  
the uncertainty of life do make this my last will & testament  
revoking all others which I may have made heretofore  
Item 1<sup>st</sup> It is my will & desire that my just debts be paid by  
my Executors here after mentioned  
Item 2<sup>nd</sup> It is my will & desire that after my debts are all paid  
that my Mother Mary Pullen have the balance of my property or  
effects to dispose of as she may think best  
Item 3<sup>rd</sup> I do hereby appoint my Mother Mary Pullen my  
Executrix to this my last will & testament. Signed & delivered  
in presence of these. Feb 15<sup>th</sup> 1862  
John M. Pullen  
Attest  
W. J. Quinn  
J. E. Smith  
Wm. H. Farnham



365. Georgia Wilkes County We do swear that the within paper  
was signed & published as his last Will & Testament on the day with-  
in stated by John McPullea who requested us to act as Witnesses &  
that Wm A Quinn & I Smith & Mrs Freeman did attend the same  
in presence of Testator & that said Testator was of sound mind &  
executed the same freely & voluntarily  
Sworn to & Subscribed before us W A Quinn  
in this April 3- 1865  
G G Norman Clerk

State of Georgia In the name of God Amen  
Wilkes County I Benjamin W Tuck of the County & State aforesaid  
this twelfth day of March in the year of our Lord Eighteen hundred &  
fifty seven do make & declare this my last Will & Testament in manner  
following Viz  
Item I will & desire that all my lawful debts be paid in a convenient  
time after my decease  
Item I give to my sister Judith Tuck all my lands, household and  
kitchen furniture plantation tools horse, hogs & cattle of all kinds  
-tion also my negro woman Mariah & all the children she has or may  
have belonging to me at my decease & to hold forever  
Item Lastly I nominate & declare Wm A Quinn Executor of this my last  
Will & Testament hereby revoking & annulling all former wills or Wills  
made by me. And publish & declare this to be my last Will  
In testimony of which I have hereunto set my Seal & signature this  
day & date above written  
Sub  
J G Colley  
Wm G Turner  
Luke Turner Jr

State of Georgia Personally appeared in open Court Luke Turner &  
Wilkes County William G Turner two of the subscribing witnesses to the  
within Will (the said Wm G Turner having renounced all interest in or under  
said Will) & being duly sworn depose & say that they saw Benjamin W  
Tuck sign & seal the same which he acknowledged as his last will & Testa-  
-ment & at the time of his so doing he was of sound disposing mind & memory  
that they signed as witnesses at his request & in his presence & that  
J G Colley also signed as witness at the same time  
Sworn to & Subscribed before me Wm G Turner  
Apr 3- 1865 Luke Turner  
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Wilkes County) In the name of God Amen—  
I Dexter Henry of the State & County aforesaid  
being of sound & disposing mind and memory & being  
desirous of settling my worldly affairs while I have  
strength to do so, do make & declare & publish this my  
last Will & Testament in writing, hereby revoking and  
annulling all former ones that I have made, in terms  
following.

Item first, - It is my Will that all my just debts  
be paid.

Item second: - It is my Will that all my property  
be kept together during the natural life of my beloved  
wife Nancy Henry and said wife to remain on my  
plantation & have a comfortable support during her life.

Item third: - After the death of my said wife Nancy  
Henry I give & bequeath all my property - both real & personal  
together with what may accrue to my wife, nephew James  
W. Woodruff, and further it is my wish that the said  
James W. Woodruff remain on the plantation & manage  
the farm.

Item fourth: - I appoint Wm L. Wootton my Executor  
to my Estate,

Signed, sealed & published by D. Henry  
as his will in our presence, who have requested  
us signed as witnesses on his behalf in the  
presence of each other this the

31<sup>st</sup> day of Dec. 1865-

W. L. Wootton

John F. Bonner  
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387. Georgia 3 Court of Ordinary at Chambers  
Wilkes County 3 Sept 26<sup>th</sup> 1865-

Personally appeared before me D. W. Hooten & John  
E. Bonner two of the subscribing witnesses to the within Instrument  
being sworn depose & say they saw Depld Henry sign & seal  
the same which he acknowledged as his last Will & Testament  
& at the time of his so doing he was of sound disposing  
mind & memory that they signed as witnesses in his presence  
at his request & in his presence & that Daniel Sherman also  
signed as a witness in presence of Testator & in presence of  
us.

Sworn to & subscribed  
before me Sep 26<sup>th</sup> 1865-  
D. W. Hooten Ord  
John F. Bonner

I Nathaniel Harrison of Wilkes County in the State of Georgia  
being in usual health & of sound disposing mind & memory  
do make this my last Will & Testament hereby revoking  
all others heretofore made.

Item 1<sup>st</sup> I will all my just debts to be paid.

Item 2<sup>nd</sup> I give & bequeath to my beloved wife Betsey Harrison  
all that part & portion of the Tract of Land whereon we now  
live, lying & being on the N. E. side of the (Clarke & Sad. Dist)  
the following description to wit: Beginning at a Persimmon bush  
on the S. W. side of the house known as the Pope & Burdhouse  
on the Clarke Road from the Persimmon, N. 88 E to the branch  
thence up the branch to a small White Oak at or near the  
fork of the branch, thence a straight line to a small P. Oak  
on the side of the road leading from my house to the big  
road, thence with the Road leading from my house to the  
Clarke road, thence with the Clarke road to the beginning  
Persimmon, I have made corners on the above mentioned  
White Oak & Post Oak, that they may be known, I also  
give my wife a negro woman by the name of Eliza  
formerly named Henri. Mary a woman, Georgia Ann a woman  
& Lewis a small boy, son of Georgia Ann, Charles a boy a  
woman named Charlotte, Green & Wesley & Melissa, also Lucy  
wife of Dick (now dead) also an infant of Georgia Ann & all the  
future increase of said negroes, also three or four mules

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one horse, such as she may select from all my stock of  
mules & horses, all of my stock of sheep & one half of my  
stock of Cattle & hogs, also all of my household & kitchen  
furniture, all of my plantation tools, Blacksmith tools & any  
all descriptions of tools, also all the provision that may be in  
hand at my death, also the crop that may be planted or growing  
or gathered at the time of my death. Also my wagon & two  
clothes of stone, bear, & bind to all the foregoing I give  
to my wife during her natural life & at her death together  
with its increase to be equally divided share & share a-  
like amongst all my children that are now living.

Item 3<sup>rd</sup> It is my Will that my Executor herein after  
named within one year after my death place at interest  
the sum of one thousand dollars, for the benefit of my two  
grand sons, one of my deceased son Timothy & when  
they arrive at the age of twenty one years, that they  
receive each five hundred dollars with the interest thereon.  
Should either die before reaching the age of twenty one  
then the survivor to have the whole, should both die  
before arriving at said age then the whole to revert  
to my estate.

Item 4<sup>th</sup> It is my Will that the balance of my  
tract of land negro & house &c not given to my wife in  
the 2<sup>nd</sup> Item of this will be sold, from the proceeds of  
which I want my just debts paid & the one thousand  
dollars placed at interest for my two grand sons as men-  
tioned above then the balance to be equally divided  
amongst all my children, share & share alike (the children  
of my son Timothy not to be included) & it is my Will  
that the share that may be coming to my daughters,  
as well as the portion to be received after the death of my wife  
shall be for their sole & separate use free from the control  
of their husbands, & with power in my said daughters to  
dispose of their share as they may choose.

Item 5<sup>th</sup> It is my Will that the share or portion that  
may be coming to my son John R. Frelson be paid to  
& held by my son Wm. D. Frelson, in trust for his brother  
John R. & that the interest on such portion as may be  
necessary arising therefrom be expended by him in such  
way as may conduce most to the comfort of the said  
John R. & it is my further Will that my son John R.  
be permitted to remain in the house now occupied  
by him with the privileges of wood water &c from

"my tract of land to Shins during his natural life if he chooses  
to so & at his death the house & lot to go to & belong to who  
soever may be in the possession or may be the owner of my  
Tract of Land at the time of his death,

Item 6<sup>th</sup> I hereby nominate & appoint my son William D.  
Shelton Executor to carry into effect this my last Will &  
Testament.

W. D. Shelton

Signed Sealed & acknowledged by  
Nathaniel Shelton as his last  
Will & Testament in our presence  
Who signed the same as witnesses  
in his presence at his request & in  
presence of each other this  
August 10<sup>th</sup> 1864.

Christopher Birnie

Daniel Fincke

W. D. Callaway

State of Georgia  
Wilkes County } Court of Ordinary at Chambers Sept 5<sup>th</sup> 1865  
Personally appeared before me one C. Birnie &  
W. D. Callaway & being sworn depose & say they saw N.  
Shelton sign & seal the above instrument which he acknowl-  
edged as his last Will & Testament & at the time of so doing  
he was of sound disposing mind & memory. That then  
signed the same as witnesses in his presence at his request  
& in his presence & each other together with Dan. Fincke  
Sworn to & subscribed  
before me Sep 5<sup>th</sup> 1865  
G. H. Hornum Esq.

W. D. Callaway  
C. Birnie

State of Georgia  
Wilkes County } I Nathaniel Shelton of State & County aforesaid  
having heretofore (to wit) on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of  
August 1864, made my last Will & Testament to whereat much  
that is mine therein as property is now valueless, I therefore  
do make the following Codicil -  
First - In the 3<sup>rd</sup> Item of my Will I have given to my wife  
three or four mules & 1 horse. I now change that part of the  
Item & give her two mules & 1 horse & 1 Colt. all of her own

life if he chooses  
to belong to who  
he wishes of my

William D.  
East Mill &  
Snulson

selecting. Also in said item I have given her 2 yokes of Steers  
I now change that part, to say one of the yokes of old Steers &  
one young yoke which is not yet broken.  
Second - In the 3<sup>rd</sup> item of my will I gave to my grandsons  
some of my deceased son Timothy the sum of five thousand  
dollars. I now change that part of my will & herein will  
that they have a child's portion of my estate, representing  
their father (now dead) Timothy Snulson.  
Third, In the fourth item of my Will, I have given to  
my daughters their shares for their sole & separate use free  
from the constraints of their husbands, I now change  
that part of my Will & give them their shares to be  
received by their husbands in right of his wife.  
I hereby ratify & confirm all of my Will except such  
provisions as are changed by this codicil, & wish this  
to be taken & carried into effect by my Executor named  
in said will & Testament

Signed, sealed & acknowledged is a Codicil to  
my last Will & Testament in the presence of us who  
signed the same as witnesses at his request & in the  
presence of each other August 21<sup>st</sup> 1865  
Nathaniel Snulson  
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H. B. Willis  
J. A. Henderson

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State of Georgia }  
Wilkes County } Court of Ordinary at  
Chambers Sep 5<sup>th</sup> 1865

Persons appeared before me J. B. Willis & J. A.  
Henderson who being duly sworn depose & say they  
saw Nathaniel Snulson sign & seal the above which  
he acknowledged as a codicil to his last Will and  
Testament & at the time of his so doing he was of  
sound disposing mind & memory & that they signed  
the same as witnesses in his presence at his request  
together with W. L. Armstrong

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Given to & subscribed  
before me Sep 5<sup>th</sup> 1865  
G. H. Norman Clerk

J. A. Henderson  
J. B. Willis

Recorded Nov 14<sup>th</sup> 1865



State of Georgia In the name of God Amen  
 Wilkes County I Herbert B. Revis being of sound & disposing mind  
 & memory do make & declare this to be my last will & testament in manner  
 & form following

Item 1<sup>st</sup> I wish all my just debts to be paid by my Executors as soon as possible  
 after my death

Item 2<sup>nd</sup> I give bequeath & devise to my wife  
 Polly Revis all the Stock consisting of horses, Cows one yoke of oxen hogs & sheep  
 one wagon & gear one buggy harness all the farming implements & blacksmith tools

Item 3<sup>rd</sup> I give bequeath & devise to my wife Polly Revis the following negroes  
 to wit Jude & his increase Susan & her increase & a negro man Isaac

Item 4<sup>th</sup> I give bequeath & devise to my wife Polly Revis all the aforesaid  
 property both real & personal for her natural life free from the debts  
 or Control of any future husband

Item 5<sup>th</sup> I wish my three youngest daughters viz Martha Jane Mary Frances  
 & Sarah Cornelia to remain with my wife Polly Revis & be supported by the  
 aforesaid property until their marriage

Item 6<sup>th</sup> I give bequeath & devise to my daughter Martha Jane Revis  
 one bed & bedstead & fifty Dollars

Item 7<sup>th</sup> I give bequeath & devise to my daughter Mary Frances Revis  
 one bed & bedstead & fifty Dollars

Item 8<sup>th</sup> I give bequeath & devise to my daughter Sarah Cornelia  
 Revis one bed & bedstead & fifty Dollars

Item 9<sup>th</sup> I wish at the death of my wife Polly Revis all the aforesaid  
 property then in her possession to be equally divided among my children  
 as follows William A. Revis Children James G. Revis Children John K. Revis  
 Children & George G. Revis Children & Patience L. Jacobs Children & Martha J.  
 Revis Mary F. Revis & Sarah C. Revis

Item 10<sup>th</sup> I devise my sons Wm. A. Revis George G. Revis & James J. Revis  
 to have the use & Control of their children until during their natural life

Item 11<sup>th</sup> I devise that the interest of the children of Patience L. Jacobs &  
 wife of W. G. Jacobs be used by Patience L. Jacobs during her natural life  
 to be entirely free from the debts & Control of her husband & I hereby  
 constitute & appoint my friend James Harris her trustee

Item 12<sup>th</sup> I desire the interest of my three youngest daughters to wit  
 Martha Jane Mary Frances & Sarah Cornelia Revis in case they may be  
 free from the debts & liabilities of their husbands

Item 13<sup>th</sup> I hereby constitute & appoint my wife Executor of this my  
 last will & testament hereby revoking all others heretofore made by me

Witness my hand & Seal this the 16<sup>th</sup> day of March  
 in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & sixty four  
 H. B. Revis

Signed Sealed delivered & publishing by Herbert B. Revis as his last

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Will & Testament in the presence of us the subscribing witnesses who  
subscribing our names hereto in the presence of said Testator at his  
special instance & request & in presence of each other this March 16<sup>th</sup>  
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Henry Z Harper  
John M Joy  
G Waller

Georgia Middle County Court of Ordinary July 8<sup>th</sup> 1866  
Personally appearing in open Court Henry Z Harper John M Joy  
& G Waller witnesses to the annexed instrument who being sworn on oath  
say they saw Herbert B Revere sign the same which he acknowledged  
to be his last will & Testament & at the time of his so doing he was of  
sound disposing mind & memory that they signed the same as witnesses in  
his presence at his request & in presence of each other  
Shown to in open Court

January 8<sup>th</sup> 1866  
G G Norman Clerk

Henry Z Harper  
G Waller  
John M Joy

Georgia Middle County Court of Ordinary I Herbert B Revere do hereby alter  
the foregoing will so that my daughter Mary Frances Pose former  
Mary Frances Revere shall not receive the legacies left to her in  
said Will nor any other portion of my property the property mention  
ed in the 9<sup>th</sup> item is to be divided among the other legatees  
therein naming omitting her name

August 31<sup>st</sup> 1864  
Signed, sealed, acknowledged & published as his last will & Testament by  
Herbert B Revere in our presence & we subscribing the same  
as witnesses at his request in his presence & in presence of each  
other August 31<sup>st</sup> 1864

Witness my hand & Seal  
H B Revere  
G O Byson  
J J Robertson

Georgia Middle County Court of Ordinary July 8<sup>th</sup> 1866  
Personally appearing in open Court J J Robertson & George Byson  
witnesses to the annexed instrument who being sworn on oath say  
they saw Herbert B Revere sign the same which he acknowledged  
as a codicil to his last will & at the time of his so doing  
he was of sound disposing mind & memory that they signed  
the same as witnesses in his presence at his request & in  
presence of each other together with Saml Barnett  
Shown to in open Court

July 8<sup>th</sup> 1866  
G G Norman Clerk

Geo Byson  
J J Robertson

Georgia In The name of God Amen  
Wilkes County I Judith C Blakey being of advancing age but  
of sound & disposing mind & memory knowing that I must shortly depart  
this life do make certain publick & declare this to be my last will  
& Testament. Item 1<sup>st</sup> Commending my Soul to God & my body to my  
friends & family to be by them buried in a plain & decent manner  
suitable to my Circumstances & Situation in life

Item 2<sup>nd</sup> I will that all of my just debts be paid

Item 3<sup>rd</sup> I do will give & bequeath unto the Children of my  
beloving son Joseph Blakey, one sixth of the whole of my Estate both  
personal & real & mixed of every description that I hold or am possessing  
of at death after paying all of my just debts & do appoint their  
father Joseph Blakey trustee & the said Joseph Blakey to have  
the Control & management of the same for the benefit & maintenance  
of his Children born or to be born

Item 4<sup>th</sup> I give will & bequeath unto my beloved daughter Ann  
H. Sutton & her son Reuben B. Safford one sixth of my whole Estate that  
I hold or am possessing of to be equally divided between them at my  
death after paying all of my just debts

Item 5<sup>th</sup> I give will & bequeath unto my beloved son Benjamin C Blakey  
& at his death to his Children one sixth of my whole estate both personal  
real or mixed of every description that I hold or am possessing of at my  
death after paying all just debts

Item 6<sup>th</sup> I give will & bequeath unto my beloved son Volting A Blakey  
and at his death to his Children one sixth of my whole estate both  
personal real & mixed of every description that I hold or am possessing of  
holding at my death after paying all of my just debts

Item 7<sup>th</sup> I give will & bequeath unto my beloved son Churchill S. Blakey  
& at his death to his heirs one sixth of my whole estate both  
personal real & mixed of every description that I hold or am possessing  
of holding at my death after paying all just debts

Item 8<sup>th</sup> I give will & bequeath unto the Children of my beloved  
son Mark A Blakey one sixth of my whole Estate that I hold or am  
possessing of at my death after paying all just debts

Item 9<sup>th</sup> I do constitute & appoint my beloved sons Volting A. & Benjamin  
C Blakey Executors of this my last will & Testament

Judith C Blakey

Signed, sealed, delivered & published by Judith C Blakey in the presence of  
us the Subscribers who subscribe our names here in the presence of said test at  
her Special instance & request & of each other 3 Wm R Smith  
This November The 28<sup>th</sup> 1859 } Geo W. Williams  
} Dudley Jones JP  
}



State of Georgia } Court of Ordinary at Chambers  
Wilkes County } Apr 10<sup>th</sup> 1866

Personally appeared William R. Smith & Dudley Jones  
two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the above foregoing instru-  
ment & being duly sworn on oath saith that they saw  
Judith C. Blakey sign & seal the same which she acknowl-  
edges to be her last will & testament & at the time of so doing  
she was of sound disposing mind & memory that she signed  
the same voluntarily as far as they knew or believe that  
they signed the same as witnesses in her presence at her  
request together with George W. Williams

I sworn to & Subscribed  
before me - Apr 10<sup>th</sup> 1866  
G. W. Norman Clerk

Wm R Smith  
Dudley Jones

State of Georgia }  
Wilkes County }

Know all men by these presents that I,  
Sarah A. Brown of said State & County, being  
of advanced age, but of sound and disposing memory and  
discretion do make, ordain & publish this my last will &  
testament, hereby revoking annulling & holding for naught  
all other wills & testaments heretofore made by me,

And, first, it is my will and desire that my body  
be buried in a decent and christainlike manner suitable  
to my condition in life - I wish to be buried by the  
side of my late beloved husband Lewis S. Brown, and  
an appropriate tombstone to be placed over my grave,

Item 2<sup>nd</sup> I give & bequeath to my beloved niece,  
Abigail Andrews wife of Judge Garnett Andrews of Wilkes  
County Georgia my house and all my household and  
kitchen furniture which I shall be possessed of at the  
time of my death,

Item 3<sup>rd</sup> I give & bequeath unto my  
beloved sister Caroline C. Willis five hundred dollars,

Item 4<sup>th</sup> I give & bequeath unto my niece Sarah Pope  
wife of Alexander Pope of Harrison County Texas, the sum  
of five hundred dollars to her own separate use,

Item 5<sup>th</sup> I give & bequeath unto my niece Louisa  
Pope daughter of Alexander Pope of Texas the sum of  
five hundred dollars -

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213. Item 6<sup>th</sup> I give & bequeath to my nephew James W. Pope one of Alexander Pope of Texas the sum of five hundred dollars.

Item 7<sup>th</sup> I give & bequeath unto each one of my nephews John H. Pope, William Pope, Richard S. Pope, Samuel B. Pope, Alexander Pope and Asa W. Pope, children of Alexander Pope of Texas the sum of three hundred dollars.

Item 8<sup>th</sup> I give & bequeath unto each one of my nephews Asa H. Willie & James Willie of Texas, the sum of five hundred dollars.

Item 9<sup>th</sup> I give & bequeath unto my nephew William Thomas Willie of Texas, the sum of one thousand dollars.

Item 10<sup>th</sup> I give & bequeath unto my nieces Woononia Carter, Sarah Farley, Victoria Horry, & Bell Whelman. The sum of Two Thousand Dollars to be equally divided between them.

Item 11<sup>th</sup> I give & bequeath to Mrs. Annie Morgan the sum of five hundred dollars, if she be living at the time of my death; if she is not living then it is my will & desire that the legacy herein bequeathed to her, shall be given to Sarah Brown Stong of the State of Wisconsin, for her own separate use.

Item 12<sup>th</sup> I give & bequeath unto my niece Sarah Brown Stong, daughter of Simpson Finckle of Floyd County Georgia the sum of three hundred dollars.

Item 13<sup>th</sup> I give & bequeath unto my niece Cornelia Pope the sum of five hundred dollars to her own separate use.

Item 14<sup>th</sup> I give & bequeath unto my niece Annetta Andrews wife of Barnett Andrews Sr. the sum of five hundred dollars to her own separate use.

Item 15<sup>th</sup> I give & bequeath to John F. Andrews, Cara (Butler), Henry F. Andrews, Barnett Andrews Jr., Fannie Andrews, Nettie Andrews & Marshall Andrews, children of Garrett Andrews Senr. the sum of two thousand dollars, to be equally divided between them.

Item 16<sup>th</sup> I give & bequeath to Fannie Peckham daughter of Robert H. Peckham, three hundred dollars.

Item 17<sup>th</sup> I give & bequeath one hundred dollars to the Stewards & Officers of the Methodist Episcopal Church at Washington Georgia to be used by them for the benefit of said Church.

Item 18<sup>th</sup> It is my will & desire that my Executors shall sell my say Willing to Mr. John Barry of the State

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of Alabama, if he is willing to buy him at a reasonable price, provided Mr. Berry is willing to let the said boy learn a trade & give him a portion of his wages. If Mr. Berry is not willing to take the said boy upon the above conditions then I give & bequeath him to Dr. Henry F. Andrews, with the same restrictions, I wish this part of my will particularly attended to by my Executors,

Item 19<sup>th</sup> After the legacies herein bequeathed are paid I give & bequeath the residue of my estate in notes & money to my friend Judge Garnett Andrews,

Item 20<sup>th</sup> If I have any other servants at my death beside my boy Simon I give & bequeath said servants to Garnett Andrews Sr. & Dr. Henry F. Andrews, to be sold & the proceeds equally divided between them, if they think best to do so,

Item 21<sup>st</sup> I constitute and appoint Garnett Andrews Sr. & Henry F. Andrews Executors of this my last will and testament, this 27<sup>th</sup> day of February 1861.

Sarah A. Brown

Signed, sealed, declared & published by Sarah A. Brown as her last will & testament, in the presence of the subscribers who subscribed our names hereunto in the presence of said testatrix of each. 27<sup>th</sup> day February 1861,

R. H. Vickens  
R. L. Foreman  
S. R. Palmer

State of Georgia Court of Ordinary at Chambers July 19<sup>th</sup> 1866,  
Wilkes County

Personally appeared R. H. Vickens & R. L. Foreman two of the subscribing witnesses to the foregoing instrument & on oath say they saw Sarah A. Brown sign & seal the same which she acknowledged to be her last will & testament & at the time of so doing she was of sound disposing mind and memory that they signed the same as witnesses in her presence at her request & in presence of each other together with S. R. Palmer -

Shown to & subscribed before me July 19<sup>th</sup> 1866

G. B. Foreman Ord.

R. H. Vickens  
R. L. Foreman



## Codicil to the will of Sarah A. Brown.

Whereas by my will made on the twenty seventh day of February eighteen hundred & sixty one, I bequeathed to Richard L. Pope my nephew & child of Alexander Pope of Texas, in the seventh (7) item of said will, the sum of three hundred dollars & whereas said Richard L. has since departed this life, now by this my Codicil to said will I do hereby revoke said bequest of three hundred dollars to said Richard L. & in lieu & instead thereof, do bequeath & will said sum of three hundred dollars to Irvin Pope next to the youngest son of Alexander Pope of Texas,

And whereas by the 15<sup>th</sup> item of said Will I have given my Ex<sup>or</sup> power to sell my my Silver to J<sup>r</sup> Berry in the State of Alabama under certain restrictions therein named, & whereas said Berry has since died, I do now hereby revoke said bequest, so far as said Berry is concerned and give said beq. to L<sup>r</sup> Henry S. Andrews, with the same restrictions & request as is contained in said eighteenth item.

And whereas James Willie my late nephew of Texas has lately died, I do therefore by this Codicil, give the legacy of five hundred dollars bequeathed to said James in said will in the following manner: to wit, three hundred dollars (\$300) to Robt Lee, youngest son of Alex<sup>r</sup> Pope of Texas & to Sally Willie widow & relict of said James Willie due two hundred dollars (\$200).

Sarah A. Brown

Signed in our presence the said  
Testatrix being of sound mind & memory.

A. A. Cleveland

W. L. Edmundson

John W. Cleveland

State & City of New York, County of New York

In person came before me, John D. Brady having power & authority to administer oaths, J<sup>r</sup> W. Cleveland, residing in the State of New York, a witness to the foregoing named Codicil to the last will & testament of Sarah A. Brown, late of Wilkes County Georgia, deceased, who after having been duly sworn, deposes & saith that he signed & witnessed said Codicil as a witness in the presence of said Testatrix & the other two witnesses, Aaron A. Cleveland & William L. Edmundson, and that we all signed & witnessed it in her presence & the presence of each other, and that she signed & published the same in our presence, voluntarily.

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and at the time of so doing, she was of sound mind & disposing  
mind & memory.

John W. Cleveland  
John R. Brady, Judge  
of the Court of Common Pleas for the City & County of New York,

State of New York  
County of New York

I Nathaniel Jarvis Jr. Clerk of the Court of  
Common Pleas, for the City & County of New York & in said County  
& State in which Court has a seal of office, do certify that John  
R. Brady, the person attesting the above affidavit, of John W.  
Cleveland, is a Judge of the New York Common Pleas, and  
authorized by laws of the State of New York to administer oaths.  
In testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand &  
affixed the seal of said Court, this 7th day of July 1866,  
Nathaniel Jarvis  
Clerk N.Y. Common Pleas

State of New York

County of New York I, John R. Brady, Judge of the Court of  
Common Pleas for the City & County of New York, do hereby  
certify that Nathaniel Jarvis Junior, who has signed the above  
certificate, is the Clerk of Court and that due faith & credit  
should be given to his signature and seal of office above  
annexed.

John R. Brady  
Judge Court of Common Pleas for  
the City & County of New York,

State of Georgia

Wilkes County Personally appeared Wm L. Edmundson one of  
the subscribing witnesses to the annexed instrument, who being  
dub. sworn says that he saw Sarah A. Brown sign the same  
which she acknowledged to be a Codicil to her last Will  
& at the time of so doing she was of sound disposing  
mind & memory that he signed the same as a witness  
in her presence at her request, together with A. A.  
Cleveland & John W. Cleveland. W. L. Edmundson  
Sworn to & subscribed  
before me this 6th day  
of August, 1866,

G. H. Norman Ord.

379 State of Georgia } I George Bailey of State & County aforesaid  
Wilkes County } being in full health, but of sound disposing  
mind & memory do make this my last will & Testament in manner & form  
following hereby revoking all former wills.

Item 1<sup>st</sup> It is my will & desire that all my just debts be paid & for  
this purpose I will that my lands in Habersham County State of Georgia  
be sold by my Executor herein after naming either publicly or at private  
sale as he in his judgment may think best for the interest of  
my Estate & should said land not being a sufficiency to meet all my  
debts then a portion of my stock such as can be best spent  
be sold for said purpose

Item 2<sup>nd</sup> It is my will & desire that my daughter Mary Harris have  
that part of my tract of land in Wilkes County that lies on the  
West side of the Barksdale Ferry Road to hold & enjoy receiving  
the rents, crops & profits of the same during her natural life & at her  
death to go to & become the property of my grand children (to wit)  
Mary G. Patterson, Sarah E. Patterson, James W. H. Patterson, Eugene C. M.  
Patterson & Victoria J. C. Patterson

Item 3<sup>rd</sup> It is my will & desire that my son George S. & my daughter  
Elizabeth have for their joint use the balance of my tract of  
land lying on the East side of the said Barksdale Ferry Road holding  
& enjoying the same receiving the rents crops & profits of the same during  
their natural lives & at the death of the said George S. & Elizabeth to  
become the property of the children of my son George S. Bailey & the  
children of my deceased son John H. Bailey share & share alike

Item 4<sup>th</sup> It is my will & desire that all the rest & residue  
of my Estate of every description be equally divided & shared  
share alike between my son George S. Bailey, my daughters Mary  
Harris & Elizabeth Bailey & my grand children naming in the second  
part of this will & as said grand children are living with my said  
daughter Mary Harris it is my will that the share a portion that  
may be coming to them in this share remain on the place to  
maintain & used by my said daughter Mary Harris to aid in the  
support & maintenance of said grand children

Item 5<sup>th</sup> I hereby nominate & appoint my son George S. Bailey  
Executor & my daughter Mary Harris Executor to this my last will  
& Testament. Signed. Sealed, published & declared  
by the Testator as his last will & Testament in our presence  
who subscribe the same as witnesses in his presence & in presence  
of each other. July 24 - 1866

It is my further will & I want to expressly understand



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that all the interest a portion that may be coming to  
my son George S. in this will is not to be subject to any  
debt or contract heretofore or hereafter made by the said  
George S. but is given him to aid in the support of his  
family. Sealing & acknowledging in  
our presence the date above written

J. M. Noyson  
Henry Z. Harpner  
G. G. Norman

George Barclay

State of Georgia }  
Wilkes County } Count of Ordway Sep Jan 1866

Personally appeared James M. Noyson one of  
the Subscribing witnesses to the annexed Instrument & being  
sworn says that he saw George Barclay sign & seal the same -  
whence Instrument he acknowledging as his last will & Testament  
& at the time of so doing he was of sound disposing mind & mem-  
ory that he signed as a witness in the presence of said Testator  
at his request together with Henry Z. Harpner & G. G. Norman  
sworn to & subscribing in  
open Court Sep 3- 1866  
G. G. Norman

J. M. Noyson

State of Georgia } In the name of God Amen  
Wilkes County } I Spain Colley of the County & State aforesaid  
being of advanced age and knowing that I must shortly depart this  
life deem it right & proper both as respects my family & myself  
that I should make a disposition of the property with which I am  
Provided has blessed me. do therefore make this my last will &  
Testament hereby revoking all others heretofore made by me  
Item 1<sup>st</sup> I desire & direct that my body be buried in a decent &  
Christian like manner suitable to my Circumstances & Condition in life  
Item 2<sup>nd</sup> I desire & direct that all my just debts be paid without unne-  
cessary delay by my Executors herein after ~~nominating~~ appointing as I am  
unwilling my Creditors should be unnecessarily delayed in obtaining their  
just rights.

Item 3<sup>rd</sup> I desire & direct my Executors to redeem out of the property  
I may die possessing of enough to support my wife Nancy Colley  
during her life. which property so redeeming for the support of my  
wife during her life I desire & direct my Executors at her death  
to divide equally amongst my following named Children to wit  
John. Sarah. Francis T. Thomas. Caroline. Nancy. Gabriel. Eliza. Martha.  
Hiram & Henrietta.

381 Item fourth. I desire to direct that all the property both real & personal of which I may die possessing except such as my Executors may reserve for the use of my wife during her life be Equally divided amongst my following named Children to wit John Sarah Francis & Thomas Caroline Nancy Gabriel Eliza Martha Henry & Henrietta. I wish all such property as I have or may hereafter give to any of my above named Children before my death to be considered as a part of their share of my Estate. promising that my Executors are not to charge them with interest on the property given them during my life time.

Item fifth. I hereby appoint my nephew Henry Colley & my friend Mitchell S. Robert Executors of this my last will & Testament.

In Testimony Whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my seal this the eleventh day of April in the year of our Lord One Thousand eight hundred & fifty six Signed, acknowledged & sealed by the Testator } Spain Colley (2)  
Spain Colley being of sound mind & memory }  
this day & year above written in our presence }  
& in the presence of each other

Peter Normandy  
Wm Jones  
George E Harris

State of Georgia }  
Wilkes County } Court of Ordinary December Term 1866

Personally appearing in open Court Peter Normandy one of the subscribing witnesses to the foregoing will who being duly sworn says he saw Spain Colley sign & seal the same which he acknowledges as his last will & Testament & at the time of his so doing he was of sound disposing mind & memory then he signed the same as a witness in his presence at his request together with Wm Jones & George E Harris

Sworn to & subscribed in open Court of Peter Normandy  
December 3rd 1866  
G E Norman Clerk

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Georgia } I Robert H. Vickers of said State & County being  
Wilkes County } of sound mind & memory do hereby declare this  
to be my last will & Testament

It is my will that my beloved wife be the sole  
Executive & manager of my property of every kind. The whole to be  
solely under her control & management to be kept together, used  
& controlled by her as she may deem best, and if she should  
ever marry again, it is then my will that an equal division  
take place between her & our children. The children's part  
if they are under age to be kept together & placed in the hands  
of a Guardian appointed for that purpose by the Court of

Orphans, but if my wife should not marry again, then it is  
my will that she keep together all the property & divide it  
off to our children at such time & in such quantities,  
as she may think advisable being careful however that  
whenever a final division shall take place that division  
between herself & the children shall be equal, share & share  
a like

In testimony whereof I have hereunto  
set my hand & seal in the presence of the undersigned witnesses  
who have attested the same in my presence & in the  
presence of each other this 11<sup>th</sup> day of August 1852

Levey S. Brown  
John H. Nye  
James E. Madry

R. H. Vickers

Georgia Wilkes County } I Robert H. Vickers do add the following  
as a Codicil to my last will & Testament foregoing, to wit:

I desire my dear wife to be the guardian of the person & property of  
our children & in the event of her death, I desire my friend George W.  
Palmer to be their Guardian

The property coming to my daughter Sarah. I desire to be the sole &  
separate property of my said daughter not subject to the debts or  
contracts or marital rights of her husband in case of her marriage  
the trustee to be appointed, selecting by herself & to have the right with  
her consent to sell & reinvest as may seem expedient my said  
daughter to have the right to dispose of such property by sales  
deeds or will & in case of her death without will, the property  
to go to her children & their descendants, then living, if child-  
less of the deceased & if no children to go according to law

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal in presence  
of the undersigned witnesses who signed in my presence & in presence of each other August 1852

Robt. S. Smith  
Stephen R. Palmer  
Reuben S. Foreman

R. H. Vickers



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 Georgia Wilkes County 3 Personally appeared before me James E Waddy only  
 surviving witness of the last will of Robert A Vickers who being duly sworn testified  
 that Robert A Vickers of said County signed sealed declared & published the foregoing  
 instrument to which his name is attached as witness on the last will & testament  
 of said Robert A Vickers in the presence of Reperment & of Lewis S. Brown &  
 John W. Noyson both now deceased & that Reperment with said Brown &  
 Noyson subscribing the same as witnesses in presence of said Robert A Vickers  
 & of each other & at the request of said Robert A. that the said Robert was  
 of sound & disposing mind & memory & executed said instrument voluntarily  
 August 11<sup>th</sup> 1852 on the day named in said paper  
 Sworn to & Subscribed }  
 before me Dec 29<sup>th</sup> 1866 } James E Waddy  
 L. G. Norman Clerk } 3

Georgia Wilkes County 3 Personally appeared Robert S. Smith El John  
 R Palmer & Rufus L Foreman who being duly sworn say that Robert  
 A Vickers of said County signed sealed declared & published the  
 within Codicil to his last will & testament August 4<sup>th</sup> 1859 in presence  
 of the undersigned deponents & that they signed the same as witnesses in  
 his presence & in presence of each other & at his request that he was  
 of sound disposing mind & executed the paper voluntarily & of his own  
 free will  
 Sworn to & Subscribed before } Robert S. Smith  
 me Jan 9<sup>th</sup> 1867 } S. R. Palmer  
 G. G. Foreman Clerk } R L Foreman  
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Georgia Wilkes County 3 I Mary Adams reciting all other Wills  
 do make the following Will,

- 1<sup>st</sup> To Mr Isaac Phillips I give One Thousand Dollars
- 2<sup>nd</sup> To William Gaultier One Thousand Dollars
- 3<sup>rd</sup> To Mrs Elizabeth Wingate Wife of Charles E  
 Wingate One Hundred Dollars
- 4<sup>th</sup> To Robert County One Thousand Dollars
- 5<sup>th</sup> To Charles E Waddy One Thousand Dollars
- 6<sup>th</sup> To Mary Rosalie Waddy One Thousand Dollars.
- 7<sup>th</sup> To James E Waddy in Trust for Thomas Benge  
 Waddy One Thousand Dollars
- 8<sup>th</sup> To William E Waddy One Thousand Dollars
- 9<sup>th</sup> To Miss Mary Winton Three Hundred Dollars
- 10<sup>th</sup> My house lots and kitchen furniture to James E  
 Waddy in trust for his wife.

10 The residue of My Estate of any to James E. Wadley.

11 I appoint Samuel Barnett & James E. Wadley My Executors with power of private sale and power to compromise doubtful claims.

In Witness Whereof I have set my hand & Seal  
December 22<sup>nd</sup> 1866

Signed sealed and delivered published } Mary D. Jones  
as her last Will by Mary D. Jones }  
Who signed before us and We in her }  
presence and in presence of each }  
other and at her request }  
December 22<sup>nd</sup> 1866 }

J. H. McKelvin

E. M. Green

Geo. Ogden

Georgia

Walker County's Before me came on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of September 1867 at Hamilton for the purpose of proving the last Will and Testament of Mary D. Jones the Witnesses to said Will viz J. H. McKelvin, E. M. Green & Geo. Ogden, and the Will before that time brought before me for Probate by the Executors James E. Wadley who has filed a petition for probate of the same they the said Witnesses depose that they saw said Mary D. Jones' name and publish the same as her last Will on the day and year there stated as Executed by her, that they witnessed the same at her request in her presence and in the presence of each other, that the same was voluntarily executed by her when she was of sound mind & memory

Subscribed and Subscribed before

Me this 14<sup>th</sup> day of September 1867

Notary Public

Ordinary

J. H. McKelvin

Geo. Ogden

E. M. Green

Recorded October 7<sup>th</sup> 1867

384 Georgia { In the Name of God Amen.  
 Wilkes County. } I Samuel W Callaway being  
 of Sound mind and memory do make  
 and publish this my last will and testament in manner  
 and form following First I give and bequeath to  
 my beloved Niece Mary Woodson Callaway and  
 John Linton Callaway my Nephews - The Children  
 of John T and Eugenia A Callaway the Sum of  
 One dollar each, To my beloved Mother I give  
 and bequeath all of my property both real & personal  
 - after paying the above, to have and to hold, and for her  
 use until her death, when said property shall be  
 divided equally between my beloved Brothers -  
 William J Callaway and James J Callaway -  
 I do nominate and appoint my brother William  
 J Callaway to be the Executor of this my last will  
 & Testament.

In testimony Whereof I have Subscribed  
 my Name & affixed my Seal, this fifteenth day  
 of September Eighteen Hundred Sixty two

In presence of  
 Drien Maguire  
 John Maguire  
 Isaac A Dickson

Samuel W Callaway

Recorded 9th Sep. 1868.

Georgia { Before me came this 5th  
 Wilkes County. } September 1868 at Chambers for  
 the purpose of proving the last will & Testament of  
 Samuel W Callaway, the witnesses to said will,  
 viz. Drien Maguire & Isaac A Dickson & the will  
 having been before brought before me, for probate  
 by the Executor W J Callaway, who to us filed  
 a petition for probate of the same, they the said  
 witnesses, depose that they saw Samuel W Calla-  
 way, sign & publish the same as his last will on  
 the day & year then stated, as executed by him; that  
 they witnessed the same, at his request, in his pres-  
 ence, & in presence of each other, that the same was  
 voluntarily executed by him while he was of sound  
 disposing mind & memory  
 Sworn to & Subscribed before me  
 this 5th Sep. 1868  
 Chas. Dwyer Clerk

Isaac A Dickson  
 Drien Maguire



State of Georgia { Last Will & Testament of Parker  
Wilkes County { Callaway, Revoking all wills heretofore  
made by me, I do declare this to be my last will & Testament.

Item 1<sup>st</sup> I will in relation to all of my property, not herein after provided for as follows, that my Son, Aristides Willis Callaway, and my daughters Lucy Ann Jones, Eugenia Callaway & Indiana Jones shall ~~have~~ equally divide and share in all of my property except what may be hereinafter given otherwise -

Item 2<sup>d</sup> In relation to the property herein above given to my daughters, I will the same to be held by my Son Aristides Callaway as Trustee for their Sole and Separate use, during their marriage present & future, and after the respective deaths of my daughters, the property which is herein given to them for life shall be equally divided amongst their then living children - in case there be no living children at the time of their death - Said property to be divided amongst my then living children,

Item 3<sup>d</sup> I will to each of ~~my~~ the children of my deceased Sons, Chas. W. Callaway and Leaborn Callaway, the Sum of One hundred dollars, they to have no other interest in my Estate,

Item 4<sup>th</sup> I will to my Son Aristides Callaway the Sum of four hundred dollars, to be spent by him in a Tomb Stone for myself & wife and building a Solid Wall around said Tomb Stones and my Grave Yard -

Item 5<sup>th</sup> It is my will that if any of my children or grand children shall attempt to set aside this my last Will they shall forfeit the legacies herein bequeathed to them

Item 6<sup>th</sup> I appoint my Son Aristides Callaway my Executor on this my last will -

Parker Callaway *(Signature)*

Signed, Sealed & published as the last will & Testament of Parker Callaway in our presence & in his presence & in the presence of each other, this 23<sup>d</sup> day of October 1865 -

James E Bramlett  
Thos H Dowdy  
H. W Callaway  
J. J. Roberts *(Signatures)*

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Wilkes County, { -nd Term 1868.

Personally appeared  
in open Court J. J. Robertson & Thomas W. Callaway  
two of the subscribing Witnesses to the within Will, who  
being sworn, depose & say that they saw the Testator  
Parker Callaway, sign & seal the same, which he  
acknowledged as his last Will & Testament, & at the  
time of his so doing he was of sound disposing  
mind & memory. That they Subscribed the same  
as Witnesses, in his presence - at his request & in presence  
of each other, together with James C. Bramlett &  
Thomas H. Dorsey  
sworn to & Subscribed  
in open Court this  
11<sup>th</sup> day of Sept. 1868  
Geo. Dyson  
Ordinary.

J. J. Robertson  
Thos W Callaway  
Recorded 11<sup>th</sup> Sept. 1868.

Georgia { In the name of God. Amen,  
Wilkes County, { I Sarah Whately, of the State  
& County named, being of a sound age &c.  
hereby make this my last will & testament,  
1<sup>st</sup> That my body be decently interred & my just debts be  
paid.  
2<sup>nd</sup> I will to John S. Womack all of my interest in farm -  
it being the growing crop of 1868 on the farm where I  
formerly resided -  
3<sup>rd</sup> I give to said John S. Womack all of my Household &  
Kitchen furniture & notes and accounts.  
4<sup>th</sup> I hereby appoint John S. Womack my Executor  
Signed & Sealed in the presence of Witnesses, this  
20<sup>th</sup> day of July 1868 -  
John W. Woker  
Daniel D. Standard  
Benjamin <sup>his</sup> Shumard  
Mark.

Sarah <sup>her</sup> Whately  
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Georgia Wilkes County } Wilkes Court of Ordinary at Chambers  
 September 16<sup>th</sup> 1868.

Personally appeared  
 before me John M. Dorker, D. H. Standard & Benjamin  
 Thurm and Witnesses to the Will of Sarah Wheatly  
 who being Sworn depose & say that they saw the Testator  
 Sarah Wheatly Sign & Seal the Same, which she acknowledged  
 as her last Will & Testament, & at the time of her so doing  
 she was of Sound disposing Mind & Memory & that they  
 Subscribed the Same as Witnesses in her presence & at her  
 request, & in the presence of each other  
 Sworn to & Subscribed  
 before me, 16<sup>th</sup> Sep. 1868

Geo. Dyson  
 Ord.

D. H. Standard  
 John M. Dorker  
 Benjamin Thurm  
 Mark

Georgia Wilkes County -  
 I Stephen G. Petrus Sr. of said  
 County do declare this to be my last will & testament  
 hereby revoking all other wills heretofore made  
 by me

Item 1<sup>st</sup> I will my just debts to be paid.

Item 2<sup>d</sup> I will to my daughter Mary Ann Twenty  
 Thousand dollars to be paid her from any stocks  
 & Notes of which I may be possessed at my death -  
 Also I will her the following Slaves with their future  
 increase Alex (Brick Mason) His wife Nancy & her child  
 Aleck - George My Carriage driver & his wife Charlotte  
 & their five Children (Betty, George, Matilda, Jack  
 & Susan) Lucy a house woman & her son Peraton -  
 Also a House Woman named Martha and her  
 increase -

Item 3<sup>rd</sup> I will my wife during her widowhood  
 my House & the lots used therewith, but I wish my  
 Daughter Mary Ann to live with my Wife & have  
 a home in said house if she chooses, until her marriage  
 in case she marries - I also will to my Wife  
 during her widowhood my Kitchen & House hold  
 furniture of every kind. Except the furniture in



my daughter Maryanns room which I will to her - I also  
will to my wife during her Widowhood my Carriage &  
Horses & 2 Horn Wagon - I also will to my wife during  
her Widowhood to be used as a wood lot with my  
House & lot in town. all my land on the East Side of  
the Wingfield Bridge Road

Item 4<sup>th</sup> All of the property given to my Wife during her  
Widowhood, I will after expiration of said Widow-  
hood to my daughter Mary Ann -

Item 5<sup>th</sup> I will to my Wife from the Residue of my Estate  
the Sum of Seven thousand dollars to be paid at  
my death & every twelve months or year thereafter counting  
from said death, the Sum of Seven thousand dollars  
(\$700.00) during her widowhood, to be paid her by my  
Son Stephen G. Pettus who is hereby required from  
said residue to lay aside & securely invest a fund  
amply sufficient in every event to provide said Sum  
of Seven thousand dollars per annum for her -  
and this Trust I particularly & specially impose upon  
my said Son alone. faithfully & honorably to  
Carry Out - I will that my wife have from the residue  
of my Estate during her Widowhood & then to return  
to my residuary Legatee, any Negro Man she  
may select

Item 6<sup>th</sup> To my Grand Son Stephen Robert Palmer I will my  
Negro girl Rose daughter of Patience & her future  
increase, To my Grand son George W. Palmer. I  
will my Negro girl Nancy daughter of Monny &  
her increase, To my Grand son John T. Palmer -  
I will my Negro Girl Hannah (when mother is  
dead, & her future increase -

Item 7. I will to my Son Stephen & to my daughter Sarah Palmer  
Each a Bed & bedstead & furniture for the same to be selected  
by them before any furniture is set off to my Wife -

Item 8. In relation to the residue of my Estate after paying debts & charges  
above made I will one half thereof to my Son Stephen G. Pettus. the  
other half I will to my daughter Sarah Palmer & to her chil-  
dren free from the Contracts or liabilities of her present or future  
Husbands & which property so willed to said Sarah is at  
her death to vest in her children - And I wish my Son  
in law George W. Palmer to be the trustee of the property  
herein willed to his wife & children

Item 9. In Case any of my Sons, Sons in law or daughters

bring up any charge or claim for Services of any kind against me  
after my death, I wish that their legacies be diminished exactly to  
the same amount & the same so taken out to be given to my other  
children who bring up no such claim - and if any such claim is  
brought up by D<sup>y</sup> G<sup>y</sup> W<sup>y</sup> Palmer, this provision is to affect the legacy  
given his wife and children as though the claim was brought up  
by them -

Item 10<sup>th</sup> I appoint as executor to this my last will & testament my son  
in law George W<sup>y</sup> Palmer & my son Stephen G<sup>y</sup> Pettus -

Item 11<sup>th</sup> I will my wife to select from my stock two cows & two sows  
to have for her own use -

Signed, Sealed, Published & declared as the last will of  
Stephen G<sup>y</sup> Pettus Sr in our presence  
June 18<sup>th</sup> 1856.

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J<sup>y</sup> M Dyson  
J<sup>y</sup> M Reese

Stephen G<sup>y</sup> Pettus Esq<sup>r</sup>

Rectified Record September 28<sup>th</sup> 1868.

State of Georgia } In the name of God, Amen, I Benjamin  
Wilkes County } Prather of the State of Georgia & County  
aforesaid, being of sound disposing mind, but greatly  
afflicted in body and considering the certainty of death  
and not knowing the time it may come, have concluded  
to make and institute this my last will & Testament  
and in this instrument making all other wills, in  
words following - (Viz)

Item 1<sup>st</sup> I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Elizabeth  
Prather all my property, both real & personal, also all  
Notes, accounts and other evidences of debts that may  
be due me, during her natural life, or widowhood,  
for the purpose of her maintenance, and the maintenance  
& Education of my minor children, but as  
the children become of age, or should marry, then I wish  
her to give them such property as she may think proper  
or can conveniently spare, but due regard must be observed  
that the portions of each one be equal,

Item 2<sup>d</sup> In the event my wife should choose to marry  
again then I wish that my whole Estate be equally  
divided between her & my children,

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Sole Executrix of this my last Will, and the Manager  
of my Property of every kind  
Item 2<sup>d</sup> It is my desire that my family remain together for  
the mutual support and protection of each  
other, if however my older children shall think  
best, for the purpose of engaging in any kind  
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Item 3<sup>d</sup> It is my will & desire if my Executrix shall want  
to sell any species of property, she may proceed  
to sell without any orders from the Court  
of Ordinary, and in all her dealings & things  
she is not required to make any return to  
the Court of Ordinary. I think best if my  
Executrix desire it that my house & lot in  
Washington be sold, also my farm if she  
does not like the location, & that she purchase  
a home elsewhere. In debts that are due to me  
my wife may make any compromise she  
may think best.

If any of my children Mary, my wife  
can give them such things as she can  
best spare, taking care that she does not  
give them over a distributive share, & when  
the youngest child becomes of age, my property  
shall be divided between my wife & children  
share & share alike

In testimony Whereof I do hereunto  
set my hand & seal, this 15<sup>th</sup> day of  
March 1867  
Signed & Sealed  
in presence of  
W E Shilborton  
O. E. Parker  
W M Perkins  
G. G. Norman

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Georgia Wilkes County Before me  
on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of December 1867 - at Chambers  
for the purpose of proving the last Will  
& testament of G. G. Norman. W E Shilborton  
& W M Perkins two of the witnesses to said

Will - Said Will having been brought before me before that time for probate of the Same. They the Said Witnesses depose that they Saw Said W<sup>m</sup> Norman Sign and Publish the Same as his last Will on the day and year therein Stated as executed by him and that they Witnessed the Same together with O E Booker in his presence and in the presence of each other, and that he was of sound Mind & Memory.

Sworn to & Subscribed

before me this 8<sup>th</sup> day 1869

Reynaud Beasley

Ordinary

W. C. Shulston

M. M. Perkins

Recorded 14<sup>th</sup> Sep. 1869

In the Name of God Amen:

I Mary Jane Munkin of the State of Georgia & County of Wilkes being of infirm health but of Sound and disposing Mind and Memory do make & declare this to be my last Will and Testament in Case of my death, and do order & direct the following disposition after my death of all the effects I may die possessed of -

Item 1<sup>st</sup> I wish my funeral & burial expenses paid out of any Money I may have on hand at the time of my death, or that may be owing to me; and if not enough then out of the dividends to be paid on my Nine Shares in the Stock of the Augusta Factory, and out of the Same funds I wish a suitable iron enclosure, and tomb Stone to be erected around and at my grave, - I wish my Executor to hold Said Stock until the dividends on it shall meet & cover these Charges and the Cost of administration -

Item 2<sup>d</sup> I give and bequeath to my Niece Mary Eliza Conner the whole of my Said Nine Shares of the Stock of the Augusta Factory after the dividends thereof shall have met and covered the Charges set forth in the first Item - these Shares I wish to be held by my -

Uncle Samuel Daniel in trust for the use of Sais Mary Eliza Arnold, until she marries if come of age - and in case she dies without leaving any child or children living - then my wish is that the said nine shares of said stock be equally divided between her brothers, Andrew and Samuel - I also give & bequeath to my Sais niece, Mary Eliza Arnold my bureau, chest of drawers, small table, two chairs, Canada stool riding saddle, bed clothes, locket & chain, large breast pin - the last articles as the nine shares aforesaid to be hers by my Sais uncle Samuel Daniel in trust for her as aforesaid, & this bequest is given with the same limitations over as the other.

Item 3 - What is coming to me from the Estate of my deceased brothers - Samuel & Robert Lewis dispose of in this way - I wish enough reserved out of the portion coming from each to erect Tomb Stones at the grave of each - Around the grave of my brother Samuel Lewis an iron railing erected, and around the grave of Robert Lewis a Stone Wall placed - the amount required to do this in each case, to come out of the portion coming to me from the Estate of each and what is left - after this is done - of both the Estates, I give and bequeath to my brother Andrew C. McJunkin now living in Texas - I also give him my interest in the gold watch & chain left by my brother Samuel McJunkin -

Item 4. My wearing apparel, jewelry, <sup>not</sup> mentioned above - finger rings & ear rings, breast pins &c. all that is not named above I give to Aunt Sarah & Stephens to hand to such persons as I have verbally instructed her to give them to as tokens of remembrance by me & which instructions will be specially set forth in a written Memorandum signed by me, which will be found in this will - But whether it shall be so found or not which I may depend upon my being able to make it out, I hereby declare that I have and do hereby give all such articles above described, including three shirt buttons (gold) and a pair of gold shoe buttons to her with Verbal instructions as to what she shall do with them, and with every confidence that she will do with them as I have directed - I shall deliver them to her for disposition before my death - All my friends come under this class -

Item 5. I hereby appoint Name & constitute John A. Stephens of Concordville Georgia the Executor of this my



last will and testament, and wish that he will assume & undertake the Execution thereof - the Court of Administration in the foregoing part of this will is intended to refer only to the probate thereof and the usual expenses attending the same - Whatever cost may attend the Collection of the Legacies Mentioned if any as well as the execution of Enclosures and tombstones at the graves of my brother is to Come out of their funds respectively - The cost of three for my own is to Come out of the dividends of said shares as aforesaid  
In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal this 17<sup>th</sup> day of June 1868.

Mary J. M. Junkin

Signed, Sealed and published in presence of us, who signed the same as witnesses thereto in presence of testatrix & in presence of each other

Alexander H. Stephens  
Elijah F. A. Brown  
Wm. J. Fluker,

Georgia Wilkes County } Wilkes Court of Ordinary at  
Chambers June 6. 1869. Person  
ally appeared A H Stephens who being duly  
sworn deposed & Saith that he saw the testatrix  
Mary Jane M. Junkin Sign & Seal the within Will  
which she acknowledged as her last Will and  
Testament, that he signed it in her presence as a  
Witness, at her request & instance & he saw the  
other two witnesses Elijah F. A. Brown & Wm. J.  
Fluker sign the same at her like request and  
instance & in her presence & in the presence of  
each other, he further deposed & Saith that said  
Testatrix was at the time of said Mind &  
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the presence of the other witnesses  
Sworn to before me  
Jan. 6. 1869.  
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Alexander H. Stephens

Wilkes Court of Ordinary, January 11<sup>th</sup>, 1869  
 Personally appeared Eliza F. A. Down who being  
 duly sworn deposes and saith that she saw the  
 Testatrix Mary Jane McJunkin Sign & Seal the within  
 Will, which she acknowledges as her last Will, and  
 testament that she signed the same in her presence & at  
 her request & instance and that she saw the other  
 witnesses Alexander W. Stephens & Wm. G. Fluker sign it at  
 her like instance & request & that they signed the same  
 in the presence of each other, & further deposes that  
 said Testatrix was of at the time of signing said Will  
 of sound mind & disposing memory  
 Sworn to & Subscribed  
 before me, this 11<sup>th</sup> day  
 of January 1869.  
 Geo. Dwyer  
 Ordinary

Eliza F. A. Down

Recorded. Sep. 15<sup>th</sup>, 1869.

Georgia } I, Rebecca A Wingfield being of  
 Wilkes County } Sound mind & memory, hereby making  
 all others do make this last Will,  
 Item 1<sup>st</sup> I wish all my just debts to be paid, and then all  
 my property of every sort & description, including Negroes  
 furniture and all else I may have, to go to my Sister  
 Sarah G. Pettus. I do hereby appoint her my Executrix  
 & desire that no inventory or appraisement or returns be  
 required of her. Witness my hand & Seal, April 18<sup>th</sup>, 1865  
 R. A. Wingfield  
 Signed, Sealed, declared & published as her last Will &  
 testament by Rebecca A Wingfield in our presence, & we  
 signed in her presence in the presence of each other at  
 her request  
 Saml. Barnett  
 Jas. M. Austin  
 Daniel Walker

Georgia } Personally appeared Samuel Barnett  
 Wilkes County } one of the witnesses to the within inst.

= witness who being duly Sworn depose that he Saw Mrs Rebecca H Wingfield of Saw County Sign the within instrument & declare it to be her Last Will and Testament that she Signed in the presence of the three witnesses whose names are Subscribed as such, & that they Signed in her presence at her request & in presence of each other, that she was of Sound & disposing Mind Memory & Executed the within Voluntarily as her Last Will & Testament

Sworn to & Subscribed

Oct. 9<sup>th</sup> 1868. in presence of  
Geo. Dyson  
Ordinary

Sam. Barnett

Recorded Sep. 15/69

Georgie Wilkes County { Knowing that life is uncertain and that these things shall be attended to before death & while mind & memory are good - I, Fielding Ficklen of Said State and County - do hereby make this my last Will and Testament,

Item 1<sup>st</sup> I desire & direct that all my debts be paid by my Executors hereafter named, as early as practicable

Item 2<sup>d</sup> It is my Will & desire that all my property, real & personal, be kept together, and that the Plantation be worked and Conducted as it now is at present, for the mutual benefit of my Wife Frances Ficklen and all my Children, and that my Wife have the entire Management of Negroes & every thing on it, as well as my house & lot in Washington with all the furniture, Negroes and every thing else on the same, for the general benefit of the whole family

Item 3<sup>rd</sup> It is my desire and will that my Sons as they become of age, and my Daughters as they Marry, shall each receive two thousand dollars in Money or property as they may prefer, excepting my Son D. B. Ficklen to whom I have already advanced that amount and my daughter Elizabeth L Joyce to whom I have given Negro Man William - Negro girl Fannie & children equal to two thousand Dollars -

Item 4<sup>th</sup> It is my Will & desire that all my property be kept together as provided in Item 2<sup>d</sup> excepting what may be paid over to the Children as provided or directed in Item 3<sup>rd</sup> until my Youngest Son Joyce Ficklen arrives at



the age of twenty one years, when at which time I wish and direct  
 my entire Estate both real & personal of every description be valued and  
 appraised & be equally divided between my wife & all my children  
 share & share alike, deducting the amount that has been given off by  
 me, as noticed in Item 3<sup>rd</sup> or may be paid off by my Executors  
 as provided in Item 4<sup>th</sup> or may be charged to them by me - My  
 Wife having full Control & right over her portion of the Estate  
 to dispose of as she may think proper; Item 5<sup>th</sup> It is my will &  
 request that my Executors shall sell & buy & trade or transfer any  
 property of my estate which would seem to be for the benefit  
 of all concerned; Item 6<sup>th</sup> It is my will & request that ~~any~~ if  
 any of my children should die without lawful children before a  
 general division of my estate, that their share of it revert again to  
 my estate and become the property of all of them; Item 7<sup>th</sup> It is  
 my will that my Executors shall see her discontinue & give off to any  
 of my children a part, or their full share of my estate whenever she may think  
 it prudent & best to do so, until the youngest child becomes of age - only in  
 those cases as provided in Item 5<sup>th</sup>; Item 8<sup>th</sup> It is my will & request two acres  
 of ground be reserved of my plantation in which my wife's Father & Mother  
 & two of my deceased children & other friends are buried to be in close inter-  
 passing or a wall of brick or stone as may be thought best & that the  
 right of way be reserved for a road from the kitchen out towards  
 front of the branch R Road to Washington to the same ground use;  
 Item 9<sup>th</sup> It is my will & desire that ~~in~~ in the event of the death or marriage of  
 my wife before my youngest Son Roger Ficklen arrives at the age of twenty one, that  
 a general division of all my estate of every description & leave be made or less, as  
 contemplated in Item 4<sup>th</sup>; Item 10<sup>th</sup> It is my will & desire that any Single da-  
 ughters remain with their mother & be supported out of the common fund  
 until they marry or until the general division of the whole of my estate takes  
 place, and ~~hereafter~~ that my Sons & daughters now under age remain with  
 & be supported, educated & clothed as my other children have been out of  
 the general fund of my estate; Item 11<sup>th</sup> It is my will & desire that the legacy  
 of two thousand dollars to each of my daughters as they may marry & the  
 share that falls to them, or their portions of the general division of my estate  
 shall be for their sole & separate use & benefit to be in no way alien or hindered  
 by their husbands & to be paid or held in trust by their mothers for them  
 when children of their body, & I hereby appoint ~~James~~ James A. Ficklen trustee  
 for my daughters that are now Single & are named, J. F. Ficklen, Sarah H.  
 Ficklen, Mary J. Ficklen & Ellen C. Ficklen & their individual or rights shall  
 be a sufficient release to my Executors -

N.B. The balance of this will is recorded on page 398

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## Georgia Wilkes County,

I Patrick J Barnett of said State & County  
being of sound mind do make the following  
last Will and Testament

Item 1<sup>st</sup> I desire all my just debts paid, In Case  
that my Nephew Samuel Barnett, who is trustee  
for some of my Children, should assume any  
portion of my debts, I desire my Executors to arrange  
by Mortgage or otherwise to secure the repayment to him  
for the use of the Children, of the amounts so  
advanced or assumed by him

Item 2<sup>d</sup> Whenever a division of my Estate shall take  
place, whether total or partial, I wish my beloved  
Wife Nancy J Barnett to have one fourth part  
thereof, and each of my Children to have an  
equal share, accounting for a certain rent before  
made by me.

Item 3<sup>d</sup> I appoint as my Executors & Executors, my Wife  
Nancy J Barnett, & my Sons Joseph W Barnett  
and John Samuel Barnett, and I appoint them  
Testamentary guardians of my minor Children  
and confer upon them, or such of them as act,  
the full power to manage & control my property,  
to the best interest of my family, to sell or buy, &  
in general conduct all business as they see fit  
their own, and to determine when to make a  
division or when to set off any part of my prop-  
erty, and I desire that there be no apprehension  
made, nor any returns required of them, having  
full confidence in their acting justly and for the  
best. In Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my  
hand & Seal, this Oct. 11<sup>th</sup> 1865

Patrick J Barnett

Signed, Sealed, declared & published as his last  
Will & Testament by Patrick J Barnett in our presence  
& we him signed as witnesses in his presence & at  
his request & in presence of each other, Oct 11<sup>th</sup> 1865

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Georgia } Before me Comes Francis M. Barnett  
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 Sign and publish as his last Will & Testament the  
 the within instrument, on the day and year therein Stated,  
 that he witnessed the Same at his request, in his presence  
 and in the presence of Samuel Barnett & M. Eliza Barnett  
 who witnessed the Same at his like request & in the presence  
 of each other, that the Same was voluntarily executed  
 by him, while he was of Sound & disposing mind &  
 memory.

Sworn to & Subscribed  
 before me this August 23<sup>rd</sup> 1869.  
 Geo. Dyson  
 Ordinary

Frank M. Barnett

Recorded Aug 24<sup>th</sup> 1869

Continuation of the Record of the Will of Fulkling Ficklen  
 from page 397.

Item 12<sup>th</sup> I will and desire that my Executrix be allowed twelve  
 months after my death to pay off the Specific legacies without  
 being chargeable with interest

Item 13<sup>th</sup> It is my will & desire that those of my children who have  
 not received in part or entire the Sum of two thousand  
 dollars at the general division of my estate shall have it made  
 up to them in money or property before those that have  
 been paid by me or my Executrix, can come in to share &  
 share alike - it being my sincere desire to give to all of  
 my children as nearly alike as I can,

Item 14<sup>th</sup> I hereby appoint and constitute my wife Francis A. Ficklen  
 my Sole Executrix; Signed Sealed & published in presence of  
 the undersigned witnesses, who Signed in the presence of the  
 Testator and in the presence of each other, this 29<sup>th</sup> August 1869.

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Thos. C. Hoague  
 H. G. Wingfield  
 G. C. Gort.

F. Ficklen

Recorded Sept. 15<sup>th</sup> 1869



## Georgia Wilkes County

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and John Samuel Barnett. And I appoint them  
Testamentary guardians of my minor Children  
and confer upon them, or each of them as act,  
the full power to manage & control my property,  
to the best interest of my family, to hire or buy, &  
in general conduct all business as they conceive  
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full Confidence in their acting justly and for the  
best. In Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my  
hand & Seal, this Oct. 11<sup>th</sup> 1865

Patrick J Barnett

Signed, Sealed, declared & published as his last  
Will & Testament by Patrick J Barnett in our presence  
& we him signed as witnesses in his presence & at  
his request & in presence of each other. Oct. 11<sup>th</sup> 1865

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and in the presence of Samuel Barnett & M. Eliza Beasly  
who witnessed the Same at his like request in the presence  
of each other, that the Same was Voluntarily executed  
by him, while he was of Sound & disposing mind &  
Memory.

Sworn to & Subscribed  
before me this August 23<sup>rd</sup> 1869.  
Geo. Dyson  
Ordinary

Frank M. Barnett

Recorded Aug 24<sup>th</sup> 1869

Continuation of the Record of the Will of Fuldin Hicklen  
from Page 397.

Item 12<sup>th</sup> I will and desire that my Ex-ecutor, be allowed twelve  
Months after my death to pay off the Specific legacies without  
being chargeable with interest

Item 13<sup>th</sup> It is my will & desire that those of my Children who have  
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the undersigned witnesses, who Signed in the presence of the  
Testator and in the presence of each other, this 29<sup>th</sup> August 1869.

Teste  
Thos. C. Hoague  
H. G. Wingfield  
G. D. Gort

F. Hicklen

Recorded Sept. 15<sup>th</sup> 1869

Georgia, Wilkes County - Wilkes Court of Ordinary  
 June Term 1869.  
 Personally appeared, Thomas C. Wagoner & G. P. Bogart  
 two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the annexed Will,  
 who being duly Sworn depose & Say, that they  
 Saw the Testator, Fielding Hicklen Sign & Seal the  
 within Will, which he acknowledged as his last Will  
 and Testament, and that they Signed it in his pres-  
 =ence as Witnesses, at his request & instance in the  
 presence, & that they Saw the other Witness F. G.  
 Wingfield Sign the Same, at his like request & instance  
 & in his presence & in the presence of each other. They  
 further depose and Say that Said Testator was at the  
 time of Signing Mind & disposing Memory  
 Sworn to in Open Court.  
 this June 8<sup>th</sup> 1869.  
 Geo. Dyson  
 Ordinary

G. P. Bogart  
 Tho. C. Wagoner

Recorded Sept. 1869.

State of Georgia } Last Will and Testament of Jane  
 Wilkes County } Laughter, Revoking all Wills heretofore  
 Made by me, I do declare this to be my last Will & Testament  
 Item, 1<sup>st</sup> I give and bequeath to Wm. Gregor Anderson and Thomas  
 Anderson freedmen - formerly my Slaves, and generally  
 known as Greg & Tom - all of my property of  
 whatever Nature, whether real, personal or mixed,  
 provided they shall remain with me on my place,  
 take Care of it and treat me kindly and behave  
 themselves properly in all respects -  
 Signed, Sealed and Published as the last  
 Will & Testament of Jane Laughter in our  
 presence and in the presence & in the presence  
 of each other, this 17<sup>th</sup> day of March 1868  
 J. G. Robertson  
 Wm. P. Robertson  
 W. P. Robertson

Jane Laughter