

The Will of Peter Tatum.

In the name of God Amen: I, Peter Tatum of Wilkes County and State of Georgia being feebly in body but perfect in mind and memory and calling to mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men ^{once} to die do make and ordain this my last Will and testament viz: Prunely and first of all do Recommend my soul unto the hand of God that gave it, and my body to be buried in a Christian manner at the discretion of my Executors, and as touching my worldly goods which God has pleased to bestow on me in this life, I do give, Devise, and dispose of in the following manner and form: -

1st. I do give my beloved wife Rebecca Tatum Four negroes viz: Robin, Judah, Hannah and Jane, and the remainder of Long Bond after one hundred and ninety pounds is taken out or shall hereafter be directed. I also lend to said wife three negroes viz: Jane, Faw and Agg. The land and plantation where I now live, four horses, an air called Chary, mair called Fortin, House Dick, and a Horse called Jack, twenty head of choice cattle, Thirteen Sheep, Fifty head of choice Hogs, two choice

Feather beds and furniture and all the rest of the household furniture to be to her only use and behoof as long as she lives and then to be divided Equally amongst my eight children except the four negroes and they left as shall hereafter be directed; and plantation tools and Waggon.

2d. I do give to my son Howell Tatum Two Hundred acres of land where he now lives that I bought of Griffith half what is got for Christwells Bond and one negro named Dick.

3ly - I do give to my son Epps Tatum one bounty of Two hundred eighty seven and half acres The inferior of Two Bounties lying on Richland Creek in Green County and one negro man named Hall.

4ly - I do give to my son Peter Tatum The choice Bounty of the above mentioned Two on Richland Creek containing two hundred eighty seven and a half acres, half of the above mentioned Christwells Bond one negro named Daniel and forty pounds to come out of Doug Bond one Mair called Nanik and a Colt the fold of the above mentioned Mair Chary now by her side.

5ly. I do give to my daughter, Rebecca Tatum three negro boys named

Ben, girl named Jane, Man called
Pleasure Feather bed and furniture
Thirty five pounds to come out of Longs
Bond to be at her disposal at the age
of eighteen, and the above mentioned negro
woman named Fan and her increase
Decease.

6thly. I do give unto my daughter
Nancy Tatum three negroes, a man
named Jacob, girl named Lucy, a
girl named Arney, a man called
Bounce, Twenty five pounds to come
out of Longs Bond and feather bed and
furniture to be at her disposal at the
age of Eighteen.

7thly. I do give to my daughter
Polly Tatum three negroes, a woman
named Hannah, a girl named Levy.
Thirty five pounds to come out of Longs
Bond, Feather bed and furniture to be
at her disposal at the age of Eighteen and
above mentioned negroes girl named
Agg and her increase after her mothers
Decease.

8thly. I do give to my daughter
Sally Tatum three negroes, a boy named
David, a girl named Win, Boy named
Jack, Thirty five pounds to come out
of Long Bond and one feather bed
and furniture to be at her disposal
at the age of Eighteen.

9thly. and lastly I do give my

Now Thomas Tatum three negroes
a man named Harry, a woman
named Fil, a girl named Sam.
Twenty pounds to come out of Longs
Bond I — Three hundred acres of
land bought of Wm Green person
by the name of Greenland, one still,
and one feather bed and furniture
to be at his disposal at the age of
Twenty one years and the above men-
tioned tract of land where I now
live at his Mothers Decease. — — —
and the rest of my property not men-
tioned in this will to be equally divided
at my death Amongst my Eight Children.

I do also constitute and appoint
my beloved wife Rebecca Tatum and my
son Howell Tatum to be my Executors
to this my last will and testament.

Given under my hand and seal this
Twentieth day of July, one thousand
seven hundred and ninety one.
Signed, Sealed, published, pronounced,
and Declared by the said Peter
Tatum as his last will and Testa-
ment in the presence of us who in his
presence and in the presence of each
other have hereunto subscribed our names
and addresses:

Sam'l. Thornton
William Moseley
Wesche Goodwin
John Chandler

his
Peter x Tatum
mark

Codicil;

Let it known to all men who
it may concern that I Peter Tatum of
the County of Wilkes and State of Georgia
have made and declared my last will
and testament in writing bearing date
July the twentieth Day of June thousand
seven hundred and ninety ~~one~~, I, the
said Peter Tatum by this presence
Codicil do ratify and confirm my
said last will and testament so
far as the present codicil do not
clash with it - - -

First. The present crop is in-
tended to pay my debts and support
my family that my Beloved Wife
Rebekah Tatum is to raise my five
last children and to have the use
of my negroes until they arrive
to the age of fifteen years, and
as my five last children viz:
Rebecca, Nancy, Polly, Sally, and
Thomas arrives at the age of fifteen
years their negroes to be hired out
until they are sixteen as is above
directed, and Thomas to live till
twenty one as above directed.

My son Peter is to have my saddle
and bridle, and Howell and
Epps and Peter is to divide my
wearing apparel clothes.

Signed, Sealed and Sub-

scribed in presence of us this
first day of August One thousand
seven hundred and ninety one

Saml Throunton
William Mosely
William Eley.

his
Peter x Tatum
mark

appeared before me Samuel
Throunton and William Mosely two of
the subscribing witnesses to the above
will who by me being duly sworn
on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty
God do depose and say that they
saw the above named Peter Tatum
the Testator sign seal publish and
declare the above Instrument of
Writing to be his last Will and
Testament and that at the time of
his doing the the same he was
of sound disposing mind mem-
ory and understanding to the best
of their knowledge and that at
his request in his presence and
in the presence of each other
with William Eley Wmch Gordering
& John Chandler the other sub-
scribing witnesses signed their
names as witnesses to the same
sworn to before me the 11th day
of August 1791.