

## The Will of Walter Gibson

In the name of God, Amen. This fifteenth Day of October one thousand seven hundred and eighty seven, I Walter Gibson of Wilkes County and state of Georgia being of sound and Perfect mind and memory and Calling to mind the uncertainty of this transitory life Do make this my last will and Testament in manner following. viz: I Commend my soul to almighty God and my body I commend to the earth as Opportunity shall serve and as touching such Worldly Estate as it has pleased God to bless me withal, I dispose of the same as following, all which I give and bequeath unto my wife Judah Gibson during her natural life should she be the Oldest living.

I give and bequeath unto my son Sylvanus Gibson my lawful heir a negro boy named Abram and one negro girl named Sal, two Cows and Calves one feather bed and furniture, one wagon lock chair and hind gears, one small bay horse, crop yeared, one large pot and Dutch oven, two basons, two dishes and three plates, one Sugar box one pair of Stilizards one Brass Kettle one small trunk two augers hand saw and Drawing knife two Iron wedges one wire line one Sixty Gallon Cask, my saddle

and bridle and all my wearing  
clothes, one Psalms Book, five tolgues  
and shovel, one Ruined Box, one wash  
ing tub and pale one piggin one narrow  
one weeding hoe, all which I give to  
the said Silvanious Gibson and his  
heirs after the Decease of my wife, I give  
and bequeath unto my Daughter Mary  
Hogan and her heirs the Tract of land  
on which I live Containing two Hun  
dred acres more or less two Cows and  
Calves one feather Bed and dish one  
Bason and three plates, Box Iron, one  
little pot one Bahshave plover, one  
long Chest and small trunk one  
Hyman Book and Bible

I give and bequeath unto my Daughter  
Piety Davis one Feather Bed two Cows  
and Calves. I give and bequeath unto my  
daughter Elizabeth Hogan and her heirs  
one Bay house and five Pounds and Thereby  
make and Appoint my loving son Sept  
various Gibson and Whiffir Hogan my  
son-in-law, full and sole executors of  
this my last will and Testament hereby  
Revoking, Disannulling and making void  
all former Wills and Bequeaths by me  
made and Declaring this only to be  
my last Will and Testament. I here set  
my hand and seal in Presents of  
Stephen Johnson  
Thomas Johnson  
William Johnson

his  
Walter W. Gibson  
witness

State of Georgia. Wilkes County, Appeared before me the twenty sixth day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety one Stephen Johnson of the County aforesaid one of the subscribing Witnesses to the within Will who by me being duly sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God did depose and say that he seen the within named Walter Gibson sign seal and publish and declare the within Will who by me being duly sworn on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God and that at the time of his so doing he was of sound disposing mind memory and understanding to the best of his knowledge that at his request in his presence and in the presence of Thomas Johnson and William Johnson the other two subscribing witnesses he subscribed his name as a Witness to the same. Proved & approved before me this 26 th day — 1791  
Edward Jones R. P. W. C.