

The Will of William Mathis

In the name of God Amen.

I William Mathis of Putnam County and State of Georgia being in tolerable state of health body and sound memory do make and ordain this my last will and testament:

(1) I recommend my soul into the hands of Almighty God and give my body to the earth to be decently buried at the discretion of my executor hereafter mentioned as to my worldly goods I give as follows (Viz)

Item 1:

I give and bequeath my eldest daughter Mary Ringo five dollars

Item 2:

I give my daughter Sallie Williamson five dollars.

Item 3:

I give my daughter Margaret Williamson five dollars

Item 4:

I give and bequeath unto my daughters Anne & Linn five dollars

Item 5:

I give and bequeath unto the heirs of Elizabeth Bird lawfully begotten of her body five dollars.

The above said several sums to be raised out of my estate and paid to the said persons by my

executors.

Item 6:

After all my just debts are paid by my executor it is my will that the balance of my Estate be equally divided into four parts (Viz)

Item 7:

James Mathis first part.
Thomas Mathis second part.
William Mathis third part.
Robert Ringo, William Ringo, Nathanael Ringo, Polly Ringo, Sallie Ringo and Nancy Ringo to draw one fourth part of the said estate share and share alike.

Item 8:

It is my will and desire that my son Thomas Mathis and William Mathis he and I do hereby ordain them executors to this my last will and Testament.

Item 9:

I give and bequeath to my wife, Winnefred Mathis all my estate during her life, then and after her death is my will and meaning that my estate be disposed of as above directed. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 4th June - 1816

William Mathis

Signed, Sealed in presence of Jones Persons & Andrew Thrash