

George Washington son the name of
Daughter County God Amen
Georgia of North & Joseph T. P.
said State being of sound mind and
disposing memory & well knowing the
uncertainty of Life especially in the
profession of arms & being about to
enter the Confederate States Military
Service under the recent call of
President Davis & wishing to settle all
my earthly affairs before I leave for
the Army & thus be prepared for
all changes of Life of whatever
nature I make this my Last Will
and Testament hereby appointing all
others heretofore by me made & esta-
blishing this my Last Will

1st

I should like to be buried in the service & desire
to be buried in a Soldiers burial with
all things for & expecting nothing. I
should let expire while absent from
home, I wish no effort or money to be
expended in removing my remains
Georgia Let my remains repose where
first ordered

2nd

As I owe little or nothing at this
date & so far as of making any
provision herein for payments but
I should be left indebted I desire my
Executors hereafter appointed to pay
off such indebtedness speedily if possible
without encroaching on the profits of
Estate but out of the profits

3rd

I desire that my property consisting
of Lands, Stock & Personal Estate
May be kept together & not
col in any other

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Of my Wife & Children in life, now &
 those that may hereafter be borned
 That I desire they be used and enjoyed by
 all That my Children be allowed a
 Maintenance & Education That my Wife
 & Children should all be Maintained &
 supported from the income & profits of
 said farming business in the same
 manner & to the same extent as if I were
 at home in life & manage my own business
 I desire my beloved Wife Malizoda
 Cleaton to take charge of said business
 & manage the same for the common
 good & with the same power & Authority
 as I might or would do exercise with
 me at home in life & according to the
 same I desire the plantation thus mana-
 ged to be kept up until my young-
 est child should attain the age of
 twenty one years or should before that
 time marry and this too whether they
 youngest child be now living or should
 hereafter be borned and as soon
 as my youngest son or daughter
 should attain the age of twenty one
 years or in case the youngest child be
 a daughter & she marries before she
 arrives at the age of twenty one years
 then I desire my Executors to equally
 divide my said Estate into as many
 parts as should be equal to the number
 of children including my wife now
 living & should any of my said children
 or then dead such deceased child or
 children having left a child or children
 such child or children of such deceased
 child should stand in the place of
 the deceased Parent or Parents

& take the share or part such
deceased parent or Parents might
or would have taken had they been
in life at the time of such Distri-
bution. This Distribution to be be-
tween my Wife Malinda
Gleason & my Children to wit
Celestus Joseph John Malinda
Sarah Mary Thomas Lucretia Susan
Martha Susan & such other Children
or Children as my hereafter be-
come so the share & share a like
& in fee simple

4th It is my Will and intention
that the share or part of my
Estate herein before given to my
Wife Malinda is given to
her ^{Exclusively in} ~~Exclusively~~ of power
3rd ~~to~~ ^{to} my beloved
Wife Malinda Gleason ~~Exclusively~~ &
my worthy & ~~dearly~~ friend
William Brown of North Georgia my
Executor of this my Last Will
& Testament

In Testimony whereof I
have hereunto set my hand and
affixed my Seal this July 28th
1863
Joseph T. Gleason

Signed Sealed declared & Published
his ^{Will} ~~Testament~~ as his Last
& Testament in the presence of
us the undersigned who Subscribed
our names hereunto in the presence
of said Testator at his Request & in the
presence of each other

July 28th 1863
James H. Brown
J. H. Lane
E. H. Nelson

State of Georgia
North County
Ordinary

I, James H. Brown, Ordinary of
said County, do hereby certify that
the annexed from page contains a
true copy of the last will and
testament of Joseph H. Nelson of
said County as appears of file and
of record in my Office

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and I seal this the 10th day
of November 1863

James H. Brown
Ordinary and
Ex-officio Clerk

State of Georgia
North County
Ordinary of said
County do hereby
certify that this is a true copy of
the original will that was deposited
in the burning of the Court House in the
spring of 1879. And that I have recorded
the same this day 10th 1879
J. H. Lippitt
Ordinary