

I, John Gotea Sen. of the State and district aforesaid being through the abundant Mercoys of God spared to the present time being weak in body but of a sound and disposing mind & memory do ordain and constitute this as my last Will and Testament Item first It is my Will and desire that all my lawful debts be first paid, 2, I lend to my dear & loving Wife the use of my House & plantation whereon I now reside together with my Horses Cattle & hogs & my Negro fellow Sam, with all my Household & Kitchen furniture for the Joint use of my said Wife & such children as I may have by her at the time of my decease, & it is my will & desire that when my eldest son George Cooper Gotea arrive at the age of twenty one years of age or should he die before that period when the next to him arrive to that age that then all my said property be equally divided between my present Wife Elizabeth & all the children I may have living by my said Wife Elizabeth at that time share and share alike this equal dividend of my property I leave my said wife Elizabeth in lew of all claims do wery whatever, Third--My Will is that my eldest Daughter Elenor Gotea now Elenor Douglas do receive out of my Estate twenty five cents--And do constitute & appoint my friends Hugh McCutchin Alexander McKnight & William Gibson Jr. as Executors to this my last Will & Testament and Trustees for my said wife & children In Witnefs whereof I have hereunto set my hand seal this 24th March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & eighteen & in the forty second year of the Independence of the United States of America--sealed signed & delivered in the presence of---

T.M.Brown

W^m Gibson

John Gotea Sen. L.S.

Jane McKnight

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David McClary Ordinary of Williamsburgh District