

James B Coleman's Will

"The State of Alabama Dallas County. In the name of God Amen. I James Coleman of the State and County aforesaid being weak in body but of sound mind and perfect memory do make and publish this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following, Viz. It is my Will after my legal debts are paid that my four children and wife Sarah shall be Joint heirs in the following Negroes Viz. Joe, Abby, Stephen, Caty, Henry, Judy, Lucy, John Nancy, ~~Emey~~, Lett, Rose, Joshua, Isaac, Edward, Charles, Miley, ~~Edwally~~, Bob, Martha, Buck Lewis and their Increase. It is my Will that my four children and wife Sarah, shall be Joint heirs in my land and all other property belonging to me. It is also my Will that all Horses Mules Cattle and Hops Corn and fodder that may be on the place or made thereon to remain for the use and benefit of my heirs, and that (proport of my property be sold. It is also my Will that any money arising from the crops made on my place, after the expenses are paid, shall be vested in such property for the benefit of my heirs as my Executors may think best and said property be kept together until my daughter Mary, then in that case they shall draw equally from the Estate the balance left to remain and be managed by my Executors as before, and so on until each of my sons becomes of age to take their parts. My wife having the privilege to draw her part at any time, also I have given to my wife Sarah a certain Sorell Mare and Colt distinct from the other property now on the plantation. I have hereby appointed Thornton B Gooldy and Thomas M Smith my Lawful Executors. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 17th day of April in the year of Our Lord One thousand eight hundred and thirty four. James B Coleman (Seal)

Signed Sealed and acknowledged before us the day and year above written. Robert Sturdivant, Samuel Traylor Charles & Bugg

The State of Alabama Dallas County. Personally appeared in open court, Robert Sturdivant and Samuel Traylor who being duly sworn depose and say that they saw James B Coleman whose name is subscribed to the foregoing last Will and Testament, Sign Seal and duly write the same on the day and year therein named and that they there severally signed the said instrument

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in presence of and at the request of the Testator, and that the said Testator was of Sound Mind and disposing Memory at the time of executing the same and that they said Charles Rugg the other Subscribing Witness sign the same in the presence of and at the request of the said Testator. Sworn to and Subscribed in open court 11th Augt 1834. Robert Sturdivant
James H. Craig clk 3 Samuel Graylor
The foregoing Will of J. B. Coleman was proved and ordered to be Recorded, see Minutes C page 123rd recorded 2. Oct. 1834
James H. Craig clk

John Saterwhite Will

State of Alabama Dallas County. In the name of God Amen I John Saterwhite being of Sound Mind but of bad health and knowing the uncertainty of human life do make this my last Will and Testament as follows to wit: I will and Ordain that all my just debts be paid 2^d I will bequeath and give to my beloved Wife Violetta Saterwhite all my Estate both Real and personal, that is to say lands Horses tenements &c. all my negroes both male and female all cash on hand all stock of Every description all my present Crop growing &c. to have and to hold and to keep the above during the term of her natural life with this exception I give and bequeath to each of my Sisters & Brothers & their heirs the sum of twenty five dollars 3^d After my Wife Violetta Saterwhite's death I give and bequeath to the heirs of Rebecca Saterwhite my Brother all the aforementioned property namely lands negroes stock &c. to have and to hold and to keep the same from all other persons whatsoever. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this thirteenth day of July One thousand eight hundred and thirty four John Saterwhite (Seal)
Signed, Sealed and delivered in the presence of Rhodon G. Hill John Waldron Moses B. Rogers

The State of Alabama Dallas County personally appeared in open court Moses B. Rogers one of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will who being duly sworn deposes and swears that he saw John Saterwhite sign Seal and duly execute the same on the day and year therein named as and for his last Will and Testament, and that the said Testator was of Sound Mind and disposing Memory at the time of executing the same, and that he has signed Rhodon G. Hill John Waldron signed the same in presence of and at the request of the Testator. Moses B. Rogers
Sworn to & Subscribed in open court before me 11th Augt 1834
James H. Craig clk