

Witness Wm C Shurt, J C Morgan and Wm 337
Wm Kibben, Geo L Shurt - The State of Alabama Dallas County
Before me John G Haines Clerk of the County Court for said County.
Personally came Wm Kibben, in open Court and first being
duly sworn depose to the fact that he was present and saw John
Hester whose name appears to the foregoing Will sign and seal
the same as his last Will and Testament, and that he depose
together with the other Witnesses to said Wm C Shurt, J C Morgan
Geo L Shurt and Geo L Shurt all signed the same as
Witnesses in the presence and at the request of the said John
Hester and in the presence of each other and that the said
John Hester was of sound mind and disposing memory
and was duly advised before me in the presence of Wm Kibben
Geo L Shurt and Geo L Shurt all signed the same as
Witnesses to the said Will of July 1848 John G Haines Clerk
Witnessed this 11th day of July 1848 John G Haines Clerk

Williams P. Dunham Will
The State of Alabama, Dallas County.
I, William P. Dunham, of the County and State aforesaid
being now of feeble health, but of sound and disposing mind
and memory, and being mindful also of the uncertainty
of human life do make declare and make and publish
the following as and for my last Will and Testament.
First - That my Will do declare, that my executors hereinafter
named shall as speedily as practicable, consistent with the
interest of my estate and the rights of my Creditors, pay off and
discharge all the valid and just debts against me.
Second - It is further my Will and I do direct that my
plantation be kept up, and my negroes kept together
and worked thereon with all necessary stock implements
and utensils for that purpose until such time as my
children become of age, or until such time as a divorce
may from some other cause become indispensable and
necessary, and after the payment of all my debts it is
my Will that the net proceeds and profits of my said plan-
tation, be divided annually into three equal parts, one part
of said net profits to be for my beloved Wife, and one third
part for my children each. The one third part of said proceeds
to which my Wife shall be entitled, shall during her widow-
hood, be paid to her annually, and in the event of her
sile and exclusive use and benefit for and as her separate
estate and to be in no manner, or way, and to no extent liable
to the debts engagements contracts liabilities or control of
any future husband. She may more over said proceeds
and authorize and empower to pay said profits proce-
se, in case she shall hereafter marry into her own hands

only, and lette therefor her Separate Receipt, which to them
shall be a sufficient Voucher and discharge Therefor -
One the one third part of said profits and proceeds, which
is to go to my two Daughters Respectively, shall during
their minority after providing for the expenses of their educa-
tion and education, be by said executor vested for their
sole and exclusive use and benefit and as their separate
estate not subject or liable to the debts Contracts or Control of
any husband they or either may hereafter have, (upon such
trusts and limitations as will be hereinafter more particularly
mentioned) in good Stocks, or land and secured simply
by good bond and Mortgage, said Stocks or said bonds,
to draw interest annually or oftner and said interest
be collected as it falls due.

Third - I desire that my property be kept together and
my Slaves worked on my Plantations, as long as may be
practicable, but at least until the period already in-
dicated in the preceding Paragraphs of this instrument
and when it shall be absolutely necessary to make divi-
sion of my said estate; I give Herewith and devise, to
my said executor or to such of them as may then be acting
or to such administrator or administrators as the case may
be, and to his or their Successor or Successors in the Trust
hereinafter created, or hereinafter specified, one third part
in Value of my whole Estate both real and personal,
(but not including the investments already directed to be
made for my Children, with their share of the proceeds
of the Profits) To have and to hold said one third part
to said executor or executors, Administrator or Administra-
tors, & their Successors in said Trusts, In Trust to and for
the sole Separate and exclusive use benefit and behoof
of my said Wife, absolutely free, and discharged from the
debts Contracts engagements Liabilities or Control of any future
husband which she may hereafter have, for and during
the natural life of her my said Wife, And I further
will and require, that the profits and proceeds of said
property and estate which is herein conveyed to my Wife
be, after her future Marriage if she should marry again,
paid by such trustee to her only, and to no other person
and that for that purpose the said trustees retain
the Control Management and Custody of the property aforesaid,
after such Marriage, paying over and accounting to and
with my said Wife for the said profits and proceeds annually
as of one Week a fine sole. And after the death
of my said Wife, it is my Will and I hereby give and
bequeath said property and estate, at and upon.

the death of my wife and the increase of said property to such Trustee
or Trustees as may be then acting in that Character for my said daughter
to be by such Trustee held to and for the separate use of my said daughter
in the same manner and upon the same uses trusts and limitations as
the other property and estate herein Comprehended heretofore. And in case
at that time either one of said two Daughters be not living then
said estate to go to the Survivor of them. In case the deceased daughter
has left no Children but if there be Children then the Children to be
-present the parties to procure the fulfilment of the deceased parent.
Fourth - I further give and bequeath to my said daughter or
Residue, Administrator or Administrators and their Successors in the
Trusts hereinafter created, one other third part pro Value of my whole
Estate and property both real and personal, which shall be at
the time of the decision of my estate to have and to hold the same
in Trust, to use for the sole and exclusive use benefit and support
of my daughter Vis once, absolutely free and discharge from
the debts Contracts liabilities or Control of any future husband
she may have, the rents profits & issues of said estate as well as the
body or principal thereof to be entirely exempt and free from the
debts engagements Contracts or Control of such husband; and I
further Will and require that the profits and proceeds of said estate
and property be paid to said Trustee or Trustees my said daughter only during
her natural life and to no other person, and that said Trustee
the person having Custody and Control of the property and estate aforesaid
during the Continuance of my said daughter paying over and accounting
to and with my said daughter the best part of use or income of
the profits and proceeds of said property annually as if she were
a joint Sole and it and upon the death of my said daughter
the aforesaid property and Estate and the Natural income
thereof and the profits and proceeds thereof which may have
accrued or may here be or hereafter, by said Trustee,
as well as all balances or accumulations which may be in the hands
of such Trustee, shall go to & belong to the Child or Children of
my said daughter, which there may then be, in such share or
portions to said Child or Children as my said daughter may by deed
in Writing or by her last Will appoint and in default of such
appointment then to said Child or Children in equal parts or
shares; and in default of any Child or Children her Surviving,
then to the next of kin of my said daughter - And the profits
or proceeds to be derived from my plantation which I have here-
-before directed to be sold or to be sold or to be sold upon bond &
Mortgage shall be held & said proceeds or said investments when
made, upon precisely the same Trusts limitations and
conditions, as herein declared, of and concerning the
Estate herein before first mentioned.
Fifth - I further in like manner give and bequeath to

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Executors or Administrators and their or his Successors in the
Trust herein after named the other and Remains of one Third
Part of my whole Estate Real and Personal to have and
to hold the same and the income thereof to & for the sole
and separate use of my Daughter Willie. free and discharged
from the debts liabilities Engagements or Control of
any future husband of her my said daughter. for and
as her sole and separate estate; and the same is to be
and shall in all respects be held upon the same Trusts
uses Conditions and Limitations as are already herein before
declared & provided of and concerning the like property or
Share bequeathed to her by my daughter Susanna and
the like directions and authority and the same
Restrictions in all respects as are here or presented
in the Case of my daughter first named, are in like
manner prescribed authorized directed and given in
this Case, and at and upon the death of my said daughter
the said Share herein bequeathed shall descend & go as is
already in the foregoing bequest to my first named daughter
daughter & presented. My object being to place the property
of both my said daughters in the same Condition precisely
in all respects -

Sixth - I do hereby authorize and empower my Executors
herein after named, to make sale of my tract of Land
East of the Alabama River known as the 11th and
tract of land they can obtain for the first thirty
one hundred and sixty dollars, one third in Cash
and the residue in two equal annual payments,
or whenever they can obtain for the last three thousand
dollars in Cash - And I further empower and authorize
my said Executors to sell all or any part of my Town
property in Cahaba whenever in their judgment a fair
price can be had therefor - I also authorize and empower
them to sell the following Negro Slaves Not Bob and
Cinda; and also any other of my Negro Slaves whom my
Executors may deem fit to sell on account of the bad
qualities or bad Conduct of such Negro Slaves to sell
and my said Executors or Executors are authorized to
sell the Camp tracts at twenty five dollars if were in
Credul of 1-2 & 3 years from next January -

Seventh - The power herein conferred in my Executors
shall not be exercised by any such of my Executors
as may be deceased and be then acting and on the event
that upon death resignation failure to qualify or other
cause an administrator or administrator be appointed
and qualify. Then such Administrator or

Administrators shall receive and have the same Power as is
 here is given to my said Executor -
 Eighth - It shall be as a gift to my beloved Wife to reside
 in the Country, my Executors are fully authorized to purchase for
 her such place as she may select for a residence and to pay therefor
 therefore a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars, which
 sum is to be charged to her account and to be deducted from her share
 or portion of my estate the said land so
 purchased is to be secured to her in the same manner
 as the other property and while she survives and she
 is at all times to be entitled to the use and en-
 joyment thereof during her life.

Ninth - I further Will and direct that at any time here-
 after when it may be necessary to appear in any Court or Jus-
 tice, my said Wife, or my said daughter in respect of
 any of the property herein Comprehended, or sold or to be sold under
 the trusts herein created my said Wife or my said daughter
 respectively each in her self may appoint by instrument or
 deed in writing to be signed by her and said Trustee as often
 and whenever it may be necessary to do so and such appoint-
 ments shall in all respects be as effectual and valid as if
 made by any Court of Chancery or other Court of Law.

Tenth - I further direct that during the
 said Widowhood of my Wife, she shall receive one third of the
 Net profits of my Estate as has been already provided that
 in the event that she shall marry a man of wealth or
 one whose fortune exceeds the amount to which each of
 my Children will be entitled it is then my Will and I
 do direct, that my Executors instead of paying to her one
 third of the profits of my said Estate pay her one half of
 said one third but in such event she shall receive
 the one third as already stated -

Eleventh - After my bills receivable shall have been collected
 if there shall be any surplus funds therefore, I authorize and
 direct my Executors, to purchase and get out of such surplus
 fifteen good hands boys and girls ranging from fifteen
 to twenty years of age. - Twelfth - As to such time
 as the sales of my estate will justify the annual division
 of the Net proceeds of my plantation as has been already directed
 it is my Will that my Executor provide for the support of my
 family out of the proceeds of the plantation or such other means
 as may be most proper and judicious in reference to the
 interest of my Estate & my wishes in regard thereto as already
 expressed - I hereby nominate constitute and appoint
 my beloved Wife Mrs Sarah Dunham Sole Executrix of

this my last Will and Testament in testimony whereof
I have hereunto subscribed my name & affixed my seal
this 15th day of May A.D. 1848. Wm. F. Dunham Seal
Signed Sealed & Delivered in Presence of the said Testator as
his last Will and Testament in our Presence who
have also signed the same as Witnesses thereto in the
presence of said Testator at his Request & in the presence
of each other this 15th May 1848 Thos A English
Wm. F. Dunham, Horace Cone.

The State of Alabama Dallas County before me
17th July 1848 Personally appeared before me
Thos A English and Robert S Hatton two of
the subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will
who being first duly sworn depose & say that they saw William F. Dunham the Testator sign
and seal said Will as and for his last Will and
Testament and that Horace Cone also signed
the same as a ^{subscribing} Witness thereto and that they
these deponents and said Cone signed the same
in the presence of and at the Request of said Testator
and in the presence of each other on the day and
year therein mentioned and that said Testator
was of sound mind and disposing memory
at the time of executing said Will Thos A English
R S Hatton. Sworn to and subscribed before
me this 17th July 1848 A J. Jeffers Judge re-
Recorded 17th July 1848 Thos A English Secy

Will of M. W. Bowen

In the Name of God I now I Margaret W Bowen
of Opelousha Parish Terrebonne County and Territory of Louisiana
being Sick and Weak in body but of Sound Mind Memory
and understanding and Considering the Certainty of
Death and the uncertainty of the time Therefore and to
the end that I may be the better prepared to leave the
World whenever it shall please God to Call me hence,
do Therefore make and declare this my last Will and
Testament in manner following. First and
principally I Commend my self to almighty God
my Creator hoping for the pardon and Remission of
all my sins and to enjoy everlasting happiness in
his heavenly Kingdom through Jesus Christ my Saviour
and as to the Property I have & possess I desire this
Item. I Will that all my Property Real Personal
and Mixed or whatever kind it may be to