

SAMUEL WATKINS GOODE was born in Stewart county, Ga., June 3, 1847. In early childhood he was first sent to a meager school in the locality of his home. His father aided and encouraged him in his studies, and his death at the beginning of the war was a severe blow to the young son. He was under the tutorship of Mr. Ira Foster twelve months later in Waverly hall, and attended the Georgia Military institute for a half term. He removed to Lumpkin, Stewart Co., in January, 1866, and taught the classes in Latin, Greek and higher mathematics in a large school in Brunbridge, Ala. While here he completed his own education in the classics and besides amassed about \$10,000, with which he contributed to the support of his younger brothers and sisters. From the school-room he went to New York, entering the Albany law school, and was graduated in May, 1871, with a B. L. degree. Being admitted to the bar he practiced in the state courts of New York, and the United States courts. During January, 1872, he moved to Savannah, Ga., and later in the same year to Eufaula, Ala. Mr. Goode was associated with Sterling B. Toney, who later located in Louisville, Ky. [www.georgiapioneers.com](http://www.georgiapioneers.com) Goode practiced alone until September, 1881, and then sought Atlanta, with the intention of prosecuting real estate law entirely. He formed a partnership with Samuel T. Barnett to purchase the business of Joel Hurt. Soon his professional labors were interrupted by the demands made upon him by his private property; although he has presented many cases admirably before the supreme court of the state, with a spirit that never tires, a tact for successful advertising, and a memory that defies forgetfulness, he has prospered bountifully. In October, 1882, he was united in marriage to Miss Jennie W. Kendall, who died in July, 1875, leaving two children: Vadie and Mattie. He was married again in 1882, to Miss L. E. Stone, of Lexington, Ky., by whom he has two daughters: Ellen and Julia. Mr. Goode has held the presidency of the Atlanta Real Estate board and the vice-presidency of the National Real Estate association. He belongs to the Atlanta Chamber of Commerce, the Georgia Bar association, the Young Men's Library association, the Capital City club and the First Methodist church. He is also president of the Southern Exchange bank. Mr. Goode was made president of the Guarantee Loan and Investment company when organized in 1881. He is also director in the Pasco Phosphate company and the Pasco Land company. They control 86,000 acres of Florida land and were capitalized as follows: Phosphate company, \$2,000,000;

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Land company, \$1,000,000, with headquarters in Chicago. Mr. Goode is the scion of a noble house. His father was S. W. Goode, of Washington, Ga., possessing every trait that characterized the old southern gentleman. His mother was Martha E. Kirkpatrick. He is descended from the royalists of England, and his ancestors are traced back to the fourteenth century. We know not what motto was engraven on Georgia's Fulton County Seal (1895) been honor and integrity. Mr. Goode is an extensive traveler, a lawyer of decided talent, a cultured, genial gentleman, and is considered, from his long residence and retentive memory, one of Georgia's historians.