

Memorandum  
 Signed and Subscribed  
 before me December 7<sup>th</sup> 1885  
 E. F. Edwards  
 Ordinary

J. J. Chesnut

Georgia }  
 Newton County } J. J. Chesnut do solemnly  
 swear that this writing  
 contains the true and  
 correct copy of the within named Alexander  
 Chesnut's will so far as I know or believe  
 and that I will well and truly execute  
 the same in accordance with the laws  
 of this State so help me God.

Signed and Subscribed before  
 me December 7<sup>th</sup> 1885  
 E. F. Edwards,  
 Ordinary

J. J. Chesnut

Now on Commission from of Law and  
 admitted to Record December Term 1885  
 of the Court of Ordinary of Newton  
 County Georgia  
 E. F. Edwards  
 Ordinary

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 December 11<sup>th</sup> 1885  
 E. F. Edwards  
 Ordinary

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In the name of God  
I Alexander Cowan  
of the State and County aforesaid Being of  
Sound and Discreet mind and  
Memory and Being desirous of  
Worldly Affairs while I have Strength  
I do hereby make and publish  
my last will and Testament herein  
expressing the same hereafter by me  
made

Item 1<sup>st</sup> I commend my Soul to God who  
gave it and my worldly Affairs to  
the care of as follows

Item 2<sup>nd</sup> I desire that as much of my  
Property be sold by my Executor  
when appointed as will make the  
Sum of fifteen Dollars and the cost  
of Administration at such Court and  
place as my Executor may think best  
for the interest of my Estate and the  
heirs of said Estate and to sell said  
Property either publicly or privately  
in his Judgment he only think proper

Item 3<sup>rd</sup> The fifteen Dollars named in the  
Second Item is to be Equally divided  
between my three Daughters namely  
Elyza Whitley Mary Boyd and Frances  
Knox and that shall be their portion  
of my Estate

Item 4<sup>th</sup> I give to my Daughter Nancy Brown  
The Remainder of my Estate both Real  
and Personal the Real Estate consist  
in One hundred and fourteen acres of  
land the West half of Lots 27 and  
The personal house hold & Kitchen  
Furniture

Item 5<sup>th</sup> If it should become necessary to sell  
the Real Estate it must be Reimposed  
lands for the use of the said Nancy Brown

and her children by my Executors

Item 6<sup>th</sup> My two Sons Will Brown and Alexander  
having received their full Shares in Land  
in Advance they are to receive none in my  
present Will

Item 7<sup>th</sup> I do hereby appoint and constitute my  
lawful friend of them and my Executor to  
do and execute and carry out this my last  
will and Testament disposing all other  
of my Estates whereof I Alexander Cowan  
do this my last will have in my hand  
and Seal this August 16<sup>th</sup> 1788

Alexander Cowan

Signed Sealed published and declared  
by the above named Alexander Cowan  
in his last will and Testament in  
presence of us who at his Request in  
presence of each other have subscribed  
our names as witnesses hereby

M. F. Chesnut  
J. C. Chesnut  
J. C. Hartley

Georgia 1st I Chesnut do swear that  
Knox County as well as M. F. Chesnut &  
J. C. Hartley Saw the within  
named Alexander Cowan Sign & publish  
the within paper as his last will and  
Testament that I subscribed the same  
as a witness thereto at the Special instance  
and Request of the said Alexander Cowan  
and in his presence as did also M. F.  
Chesnut and J. C. Hartley that the said  
Alexander Cowan signed the same  
freely and voluntarily and was at  
the time of such Signing of sound  
and disposing mind and