

Last Will & Testament of Jesse Bowden
Georgia } On the name of God Amena. The fourth
Henry County } day of April in the year of our Lord
One thousand eight hundred and thirty five
I Jesse Bowden of the State & County aforesaid Calling To
Mind that it is appointed for Man Once To die and I-
Being afflicted in body- but of sound mind & memory- do
make this my Last will & Testament in manner and form
following- first of all I recommend my soul To god who gave
it. and my body To be buried at the discretion of my Executors
here in after named
1st the Land where on I live is to be sold also the negro
man George. and every other species of property that I am
possessed with except the property here in after named.
My Children James H. William F. Andrew J. Elizabeth
Mary. & Charles Bowden are To have such household
furniture as I have given To my daughter Martha
Adamson heretofore and such other property as I have
To my daughter Martha is To be valued and the above
named Children To be made Equal with money- after my
Beloved wife Sally. has taken out such household and kitchen
furniture Togetherr with such cattle and hogs- as she may
want also the Black mare then the remaining property
To be sold (viz) all the perishable property and then
Equally divided among all my Children
The money that the Land and negro George sell for my
Beloved wife Sally. is To have the use of. During her widow-
hood or Life Time and at her marriage or death that money
is To be divided Equal among my Children or their heirs
except my son Charles Bowden and provided he stays
with and takes care of his mother during her life at his
death he Charles Bowden is To have of that money the
Land and George brings as much as any. Two of my other
Children Lastly I desire that all my Just debts be
paid and that what money I have in hand and what
notes I have my wife Sally. is To have the use of. To buy
her Land and other articles To Live on I nominate and
appoint my Beloved wife Sally. Executrix To this my Last
Will and Testament In witness whereof I have hereunto
set my hand and affixed my seal To this my Last will and
Testament the day and year first above written

Continued
In presence of us.

Crawford Tucker
Nathaniel Hawthorn
William Garrett. J. P.

Lepu ^{his} Bowden Seal
mark

Georgia } May Term 1835 Court of Ordinary
Henry County } Personally seen Crawford Tucker
Nathaniel Hawthorn and William Garrett in open Court
who being duly sworn depose and say that they
saw the within named Lepu Bowden sign seal
publish & declare this Instrument to be and contain
his true Last Will and Testament and that the said
Lepu Bowden at the time then of was of sound dis-
posing mind and memory. To the Best of our knowledge
and belief Sworn to in open Court this 4th of May 1835-
Before us

John T. Buttry J. J. C.
J. Althor. J. J. C.
Lepu Johnson J. J. C.
John Williams J. J. C.

Crawford Tucker
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County } Swear that this writing containing
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Deed. so far as I know or believe and that I will & truly
execute the same by first paying the debts and then
the Legacies Contained in the said Will as far as
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