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115 ~~W~~ John Owens Will

Georgia { I know all men by their presents that I John Owens
Henry County { weak in body but in my perfect mind have this
made my last will and testament and in testimony have hereunto nominated
and appointed and do nominate and appoint Levi H. Turner and my wife
Martha Owens Executors & Executrix and for me in my last will and
testament to transact and settle and to close all my business

First my devise is that all my just debts be paid

I and after all my debts is paid I leave unto my beloved wife Martha
Owens the one sixth part of my certain estate or a child's part during
her life time or widowhood

I I devise that the remainder of my property should remain in the
possession of Executors and Executrix hands and should hereafter
be divided equally among my five children to wit Nancy Ann, Avery
Emeline, Mary Adeline, Martha Jane, Jesse Wootton Owens when
property I Devise should be divided out by each Child's security as the
become of age commencing with the eldest. As wit Nancy Ann and so on
my property consisting of lot of land whereon I now reside also seven negro
namely Melly a woman about forty years of age Mary Ann a woman about
forty years of age Augustus a boy fifteen years of age Susan a girl about
years of age Harriett a girl about six years of age Ephraim a boy three years
old a girl three weeks old name Mary Ann also one forty acre lot of land
lying in the Cherokee purchase Number not ascertained also stock of
different kinds house hold & kitchen furniture & plantation tools &c.
This being my last will and testament I do hereunto set my hand and
place my seal this 30th day of May 1842 John ^{his} Owens ~~Mark~~
In the presents of

Ward H. Turner

Aaron White

Redick Smith J.P.

Georgia { we Ward H. Turner & Aaron White do solemnly swear that we
Henry County { John Owens the Testator sign (by making his mark) seal put
and do declare this writing to be and contain his last will and testament
and that we did Sign the same as witnesses in presents of the testator
and that he was at the time of sound disposing mind and memory and
that he executed the same freely & without compulsion so far as we
know or believe Oct 5th 1843 Ward H. Turner

John H. Low & Co.

B. Pettit J.P.

Arthur Ward J.P.

Aaron White

Georgia { I Levi H. Turner do solemnly swear that the
Henry County { writing contains the true last will of the wit
samed John Owens deceased so far forth as I know or believe
and that I will well and truly execute the same

I John Owens being
of mind have this day
hereunto nominated
and my wife
my last will and
testament

beloved wife Martha
children part during
to remain in the
should hereafter be
any Ann. Avery
Owens which
to securely as they
any Ann and so on
also seven negroes
a woman about
a girl about ten
a boy three years
acre lot of land
also stock of
plantation tools &c
set my hand and
John Owens

ly swear that we saw
his mark seal published
and Testament
of the testator
in memory and
as so far as we
did A Turner
aron White

swear that this
will of the within
known or believe
the same

by paying first the debts and then the legacies contained in the
will as far as his goods and chattles will therunto extend and the
me and that I will make a true and perfect inventory of all
goods and chattles so help me God Oct 3rd 1843 Lem A Turner
Sworn to & subscribe before us

B. Pettit J. J. C.
Nathan Breed J. J. C.

Georgia { November term Court of Ordinary 1843
Henry County } The within will of John Owens having
proven before their honors B. Pettit & Nathan Breed it is
ordered by the court at this regular term that the same
be recorded

Recorded Nov 14th 1843 John A. Low C. C.
John Walkers Will

Georgia { I know that it is appointed for man once
Henry County } and after death the judgement and be
bad health of body but sound in mind and memory
day make and ordain this my last will and Testament
1st My will is that my body should be decently buried giving
unto the hand of God that gave it in hope of a blessed resurrection

2nd My will is that all my just debts be paid
3rd My will is that all the property both real and personal which
may have (after paying my just debts as above) to remain in
hands of my beloved wife Mary Walker to be kept together
with my seven children viz Robert M. William James E
W. Sarah M. Clements W. & Joseph C. and that each of them
they become of age shall be entitled to and draw and receive
portions of the estate taking into view the number of sons
and daughters that may be living together with their mothers

4th My will is that if my wife should marry before my children
become of age that all my property of every description be
on a credit of twelve months and the proceeds of the same
be equally divided between my wife and children

5th My will is that if any of my negroes should become
wild and ungovernable that my Executors are at liberty to sell
and use the proceeds for the benefit of the heirs

6th And lastly I do constitute and appoint John G. Jones
my son Robert Walker (to be qualified when he becomes
age) my worthy Executors to this my last will & Testament
Sealed and acknowledged this 9th day of October in the year 1843
James A. Edwards
William C. Farrell
Joshua S. Callaway

John Walker