

Eighth I give to Benjamin Russell five hundred Dollars
Ninth My household and Kitchen furniture I allow
Stacey & Purroy Mary E. Blain & Josephine A. Aughton
to divide between themselves my Apparel I give to Stacey
& Purroy —

Tenth I give my Six Tracts of Land lying in the State of
Kentucky to the Children of my Brother James McKee
deceased of the State of Virginia —

Eleventh It is my will that my house sit in the Town of
Washington be sold either privately or publicly as my
Executors may think best and the Money arising from
the Sale to be equally divided between Stacey & Purroy
Mary E. Blain Josephine A. Aughton and William H.
Aughton — It is my will that my Executors place a
moderate Valuation on my negro girl Harriet and that
Mr. A. L. Shauder have the privilege of taking her
at the price — And the Money arising from the Sale
of said girl to be divided, between Stacey & Purroy
Mary E. Blain Josephine A. Aughton & William H.
Aughton —

Twelfth and lastly I do hereby nominate constitute &
appoint my friends Mark A. Lane and Saml. L.
Rutherford Executors to this my last will & Testament
hereby revoking any and all wills heretofore made by me
In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand
and seal this 30th day of January 1841.

Signed sealed published and
declared in presence of
Rayland Deasley
Lemmon A. Hester
Lewis & Brown J. C. C.

Rhbecca Allison Seal

Georgia — Court of Ordinary May Term 1841.
In the County of Personally appeared in open Court
Rayland Deasley Lemmon A. Hester & Lewis & Brown the
Subscribing Witnesses to the annexed will, who being
sworn say that they saw the testatrix sign & seal the
will acknowledge the same to be her last will & Testament
and at the time of his so doing she was of sound disposing
mind & memory, that they subscribed the same as
Witnesses at her request in her presence, and in presence of

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each other

Rayland Peasley

born to me when
Court 3rd May 1841.

Lewis S. Brown.

John H. Lyson & Co.

— Recorded 19th July 1841. —

I, John H. Lyson of the
County of Wilkes, State of Georgia, being of sound and
disposing mind and memory, do hereby make and declare the instrument
of writing to be my last will & testament, & I
hereby direct all my debts by me here before made
I do first I will & bequeath to my beloved wife
Harriet I Pelot the following property to wit
my House & Lot in the Town of Washington
whereon I now reside adjoining H. G. Wingfield
A. L. Alexander Mrs. Randolph's others & the main
street with all & singular to its rights, mounds and
appurtenances also all my household & kitchen furniture
of my description my clothing & linen & such other
things of property I usually kept about the lot for
the support and maintenance thereof also the
following Mrs. Rogers to wit Alfred William
Rally Peggy Ritty. And I do hereby give & bequeath
to her and her heirs forever
I do hereby give & bequeath to my friend Mary
Winton our sister and named Virginia to her and
her heirs forever
I do hereby give & bequeath to my wife Harriet
I Pelot my above lot containing about 1/2 acre more
or less adjoining Col. Pottow and others to her
& her heirs forever
I do hereby give & bequeath that all my further will & desires that
all the rest & residue of my property both in
Carolina & Georgia both real & personal including

The trustors are let in the town of Washington
 bought of Mr M. Cozart adjoining my married
 wife by my executor at as early a day as consistent
 with the interest of my estate to be judged of by
 my executor & on such thing as they may think proper
 must be paid to my estate & that the proceeds
 thereof be first applied to the payment of my
 debts & the amount which I owe my son Francis
 & Pelot as his Guardian & then that all the
 remainder thereof I desire to be equally divided
 between my wife Harriet & Pelot & my children
 which I have by her as the amount which
 I owe my son Francis & Pelot as his guardian
 will exceed the portion which my estate will
 pay to the rest of my children the amount I
 owe him as his guardian is intended by me
 as in full as his part of my estate

I trust it is my further wish and desire I
 expressly instruct my executor to invest the princi-
 pal of my estate which shall be due my child-
 ren in such securities bearing interest as
 they may deem most beneficial to them
 & if they should think it advisable they are
 permitted to invest the same in Bank Stocks
 in their discretion

I trust I do hereby nominate & appoint
 my friends Edward M. Dutton & Henry J. Pope
 Executors to this my last will & testament

In witness whereof I have hereunto
 set my hand & seal this 23rd day of January
 1861

Signed Sealed & acknowledged as his last
 will & testament in our presence who signed
 the same in the presence of the testator & at
 his request & in the presence of each other

W. H. Clark
 E. A. Smith
 Robt. Forman

John H. Pelot

State of Georgia } In the name of God, Amen.
 Wilkes County } I Jesse Mercer of the above State and
 County, being in feeble health, but of sound and
 disposing memory, knowing "it is appointed unto all men once
 to die" and that I must soon "go the way of all the earth," in order
 that my surviving friends and relatives may know how to dispose
 of what is hath pleased God to commit to my Stewardship in
 this life; I make, ordain and establish this, my last Will and
 Testament, hereby revoking all former Wills by me at any time
 made.

1 As it has pleased God to afflict my beloved Wife Nancy
 Mercer, both in body and mind, ~~so that~~ she is entirely
 incapable of taking care, either of herself or any property which
 might be in her power - I therefore find it necessary to place
 her under a competent Guardianship, and for the purposes of
 that Guardianship; I thereby appoint, ordain, and make it to
 consist of, my brethren Dr Fielding Hicklin, Dr William
 McPope and Francis McLendon, all of Washington, Wilkes
 County, (Geo).

2 I give and devise to, said Guardians of my beloved
 Wife, the House and lot whereon I now live, with all the plate,
 household furniture, and goods of every description therein,
 together with her two negro women Charlotte and Elary and
 Charlotte's children, Wiley, Henry, William and Catharine Brumack
 upon the special trust, that they shall, during the natural life of
 my beloved Wife, be used for her sole and separate use.

It is my wish and will, and said Guardians are hereby em-
 powered to procure the services of some good and competent
 female, who shall take the personal charge, care and manage-
 ment of her and all things necessary for her comfort and
 keeping the house. And the said female when procured as
 well as all things appertaining to the house, lot &c are to be
 under the supervision and direction of the above named Guar-
 dians. I further require my Executors, herein after named, to
 pay over to said Guardians such sums of Money from time to
 time, as they may find necessary to the full discharge of the
 trust committed to them.

3 It is my Will, that after my decease, all my servants
 be sold by Mercy - that is, I wish them to be allowed a
 reasonable time, to find such masters as may be
 desirable to them. Also I desire to be sold, all the
 household and kitchen furniture, plantation tools, stock,

and whatever property there may be, not necessary to the comfort and well-being of my beloved wife, and not inconsistent with the provisions of the second clause of this my Will. I likewise wish my land to remain as it now is, until a final sale can be made of the whole real Estate after the death of my beloved wife; and when the sales in this clause directed shall take place, my Executors are empowered to exercise their sound discretion in prescribing the terms thereof, - either cash, or upon a credit. ~ ~ ~ ~

4 For aiding and assisting in the operations of certain Benevolent Societies and Institutions, I give and devise to those herein named as follows: ~ ~ ~ ~

I give and devise to The Baptist Convention in the United State for Foreign Missions, fifty shares of The Capital Stock in The Bank of Augusta, (City of Augusta Georgia).

I give and devise to the Baptist Publication Society twenty five shares of The Capital Stock in The Bank of Augusta (City of Augusta Geo). ~ ~

I give and devise to The American Tract Society twenty five shares of The Capital Stock in The Bank of Augusta (City of Augusta Geo). ~ ~

I give and devise to The American and Foreign Bible Society twenty five shares of The Capital Stock in The Bank of The State of Georgia. ~ ~ ~ ~

I give and devise to the American Baptist Home Mission Society, twenty five shares of The Capital Stock in The Bank of The State of Georgia. ~ ~ ~ ~

I give and devise to The Trustees of The Columbian College, District of Columbia, twenty two shares of The Capital Stock in The Bank of The State of Georgia. Provided, however, that if the debts of The said Columbian College remain unpaid, six months after my decease, and the Institution still embarrassed, - Then, The twenty two shares of Bank Stock to be devised, shall be given to The Baptist Convention for Foreign Missions. ~ ~ ~ ~

I give and devise to The Trustees of The Mercer University (Peasfield, Ga. County, Geo) one hundred and twenty five shares of The Capital Stock in the Georgia Rail Road and Banking Company, for the support of The University and such other purposes as the said Trustees may find necessary. ~ ~ ~ ~

I appoint my brethren Billington M Sanders of Penfield (Gro) and Dr William H Turpin of Augusta (Gro) Executors to this part of my Will, contained in clause fourth (4).

5 I give and devise to my brother Joshua Mercer of Randolph County Georgia, my wearing apparel and watch; and any liabilities of his which I may hold, are forever released to him.

According to the suggestion of my beloved wife when sane, I give after her death, all her wearing apparel to be divided between her two negro women, Charlotte and Mary. Charlotte to share the better, she having children.

6 After the death of my beloved wife, I direct that all the property which may be then remaining, together with the land reserved in clause third, be sold by my Executors as directed in said clause, and the proceeds thereof turned over by them to the Trustees of the Mercer University and united to the devise made that Institution in clause (4) fourth.

7 All notes and other evidences of debt whatever that may be on hand at my decease, may in the discretion of my Executors, be continued at interest, & all monies that may come into their hands during the life of my beloved wife either as interest or dividends declared upon the remaining one hundred shares of Capital Stock in the Bank of the State of Georgia, after deducting what may be necessary for the taking care and support of her, I give and devise to the Trustees of the Mercer University, and united to the bequests made that Institution in clauses fourth and sixth (4 & 6).

8 I give and devise my Library to the Mercer University.

9 I appoint my friends David C Butler and William C Baker, both of Washington (Gro) Executors to all my Will, save that part in clause (4) fourth, committed to the charge of Pier B M Sanders and Dr W H Turpin.

I further direct that all just and legal claims against me or my Estate, be liquidated as soon as possible by my Executors.

Signed, sealed, published and declared by the Testator before me, as if for his last Will & Testament in the presence of us, who in his presence, and at his request, have hereunto set our names as Witnesses thereof.

In Testimony whereof, I have to this my Will consisting of one sheet of paper, set my hand and seal to this, the last page, & subscribed my name thereto. This the twentieth day of March in the year eighteen hundred and forty one.

This Will is Void

Jose Mercer
Jose Mercer

John Pittman
J. W. Winfield Notary Public

Georgia }
Wilkes County } Personally appeared in open Court, Merrill Callaway,
John Pettus and Archibald S. Wingfield who being duly
sworn, depose and say, that they saw the Testator Jesse Mercer
sign and seal, and heard him acknowledge the within instrument
of writing, as his last Will and Testament; and at the time of
his so doing, he was of sound and disposing mind and memory,
and that they subscribed the same as witnesses in his presence
and at his request.

Sworn to in Open Court }
Subscribed &c. November 1841 }
M. C. Callaway
A. S. Wingfield
John Pettus

Inw. H. Dyson. C. C. O.

Recorded November 2^d 1841

State of Georgia }
Wilkes County } In the name of God, Amen. —
I, Jesse Mercer of the above State and County, being
in feeble health, but of sound and disposing memory; knowing "it is
appointed unto all men once to die," and that "I must soon go the
way of all the earth"; in order that my surviving friends and
relatives may know how to dispose of what it hath pleased God
to commit to my Stewardship in this life; I make, ordain, and
establish, this my last Will and Testament; hereby revoking all
former Wills by me at any time made.

As it hath pleased God to take my beloved wife Nancy Mercer
to himself, I now proceed to make such disposition of the
property now left in my hands, as voluntarily and mutually
agreed upon when we first came together in Marriage. We having
seen, as we thought, an evil, rather than a benefit, in bequeathing
property to relatives; that even the expectation of receiving such
gifts, often nourished evil propensities &c. — concluded, that when
we should no longer need the use of our Temporal aff-

58 They should be disposed of to benevolent and literary Institutions according as might seem to me most advisable. I therefore for aiding and assisting in the operations of the following benevolent Societies and Institutions, give and devise, to wit

1 I give and devise to the Baptist Convention in the United States for Foreign Missions, fifty shares of the Capital Stock in the Bank of Augusta, Georgia.

2 I give and devise to the Baptist Publication Society, twenty five shares of the Capital Stock in the Bank of Augusta, Georgia.

3 I give and devise to the American and Foreign Bible Society, twenty five shares of the Capital Stock in the Bank of the State of Georgia.

4 I give and devise to the American Tract Society, twenty five shares of the Capital Stock in the Bank of Augusta, Georgia.

5 I give and devise to the American and Baptist Home Mission Society, chiefly to aid in their operations in Texas, twenty five shares of the Capital Stock in the Bank of the State of Georgia.

6 I give and devise to the Trustees of the Columbian College, in the District of Columbia, twenty two shares of the Capital Stock in the Bank of the State of Georgia. Provided, however, that if the debts of the said Columbian College remain unpaid six months after my decease, and the Institution still embarrassed, then the twenty two shares of the Bank Stock to it devised, shall be given to the Baptist Convention for Foreign Missions in addition to that bequest made in part of this Will.

7 I give and devise to the Trustees of the Mercer University (Penfield, Green County, Georgia) one hundred and twenty five shares of the Capital Stock in the Georgia Rail Road and Banking Company, for the support of the Faculty of said Institution, and such other purposes as the said Trustees may find necessary - The dividends or annual income only, to be used.

I appoint my Brethren Billington M Saunders of Penfield (Geo) and William W Tappin of Augusta (Geo) Executors to the above items of my Will, and hereby request them to act accordingly. I make the further bequest.

1 I give and devise to the Trustees of the Mercer University at Penfield, Georgia, one hundred shares of the Capital Stock of the Bank of the State of Georgia; and the whole residuary of my Estate, which may remain after the payment of all my just and necessary claims thereon; and what may hereafter be bequeathed. This amount is to constitute, with the sum of the

Professorship made by The Central Association, a Professorship of Sacred
Biblical Literature or Theological Learning. The annual income of
which, only to be used.

I give and devise to my brother Joshua Mercer of Baker County
(Ga) my wearing apparel and watch. This is to furnish him for
his travels as a Missionary.

It is my will, that all my perishable property, as soon after my
death as may be reasonable and proper, be sold, on a credit of
twelve months, at public outcry, or in private, as my Executors,
hereafter to be appointed, may think most proper, in whole or in
part.

My horses, I wish disposed of in mercy, i.e., to give them reasonable
time to choose owners for themselves &c.

My Land & Household goods, may be sold on a credit of twelve months,
and the notes, being well secured (as in all other cases is required)
may be turned over to the M University, together with any other
notes which may be at interest at that time. My Library I
wish also turned over to the University; and all other books which
may remain undisposed of at the time of my decease, to be
disposed of as the Trustees may direct.

It is my will and desire that my Executors, besides the
expenses of my last illness and funeral, procure, and pay for
a suitable slab or Tomb Stone, with a short engraving (also
for my wife in like manner; should there not be previously
procured) and have the graves fenced round in some good
and substantial manner.

If at my death, any liabilities of my brother Joshua are found
among my papers, It is my desire that they be forever released
to him.

I appoint my friends David C Butler, Dr Fielding Dicklin,
and William S Baker, all of Washington (Geo) Executors to
all my will, save that part in items 1 to 7 committed to my
brethren B M Sanders and Wm W Turpin; and to do and
transact any other thing or things, which may be found necessary
in their Judgement to the true execution of this, or any part of
this, my last Will and Testament.

In testimony whereof I have to this my Will, written
with my own hand, set my hand and seal this twenty
third day of June in the year eighteen hundred and
forty one

Joshua Mercer

Georgia

Wilkes County

Court of Ordinary Nov^r Term 1841

Personally appeared in open Court John Pettis and Archibald S. Wingfield, who being duly sworn, depose and say, that they are acquainted with the hand writing of Jesse Mercer late of said County. Secured, and that the within and foregoing instrument of writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of said John Mercer dead is in his own hand writing, and subscribed with his own proper hand and name, to the best of their knowledge & belief.

John Pettis

Sworn to in open Court

this 1st Nov^r 1841

A. S. Wingfield

Jno H. Lyson cco

Recorded Nov^r 2^d 1841

State of Georgia } In the name of God Amen
 Wilkes County } I Joel Appleby of the county and
 State aforesaid this twentieth day of July in the
 year of our Lord Eighteen Hundred and Twenty Three, do
 make and confirm this my last Will and Testament
 in manner & form following Viz I then first I would
 desire that all my lawful debts be paid within a convenient
 term after death. I then second, I give and bequeath
 to my dear Wife Mary Appleby during her natural life
 four Negroes, s.e. Jesse, Ambrose, Eliza and Louisa
 also I give and bequeath to my loving Wife the Tract of
 Land between Horse Lick, containing by estimation
 five hundred acres together with all my plantation
 tools, household & kitchen furniture and other and
 every thing appertaining therunto also two horses.
 My stock of cattle, hogs & sheep & or as much of
 the above named stock as she may think proper
 to keep. I then third I give and bequeath all and

angular of my estate both real & personal that I
may remain at my decease if my loving wife the
said to be sold and in equal Division to be made amongst
my Children and orphan Grand Child to their their
Wives and assigns forever. Their names exceptions
and distributions as follows viz. William Apple
Isaac Apple Permitt Apple Lewis Apple John Apple
Benjamin Apple Hammer Apple Mary Esmenter. The
Children of my deceased Daughter Sarah Barker and
Susan Harris and my son Thomas Apple for
Children when of age in such manner, that the
five Children shall have an Equal part of my
estate lacking one hundred dollars with interest
on from the year Eighteen hundred and Eleven.

I Give my son Thomas to a part of one sixth of
said. The balance of the above part to be equally
divided among the five Children. The Children
of my deceased daughter Sarah Barker shall have the
one fourth part of my estate to be equally divided
amongst them when of age. also the Children of
my deceased daughter Susan Harris shall have the
one fourth part of my estate to be equally divided
amongst them when of age. I Give to my son Samuel
Apple the one fourth part of my estate. I also give
my son Lewis Apple the one fourth part of my
estate. I also Give to my son Hammer Apple
one fourth part of my estate by the name of John over and above
his full share of my estate for his Expence of Managing
my affairs.

The rest of my now living Children
of their Lawfull heirs to have their Equal shares of
my estate as above stated. I Nominate and ordain
my dear wife Mary Apple Esmenter John Apple
and Benjamin Apple Executors of this my last will
and Testament hereby Revoking and annulling all
all other Wills or Wills made by me and publish and
declare this to be my last and full of sound mind
and Judgment. In Witness Whereof I hereby set
my hand & seal this the day and date above written.

Signed sealed & acknowledged

in presence of
2nd John W Norman
Liza Esmenter
Hammer Apple

Wm
Isaac Apple
over

Benjamin Apple

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Georgia
Wilkes County
Don Chambers
July Term 1840

Personally appeared before me John H. Norman, Jesse Spradling & Harmon Spelling who being duly sworn depose and testify that they saw the above said Spelling sign & seal & heard him acknowledge the execution of writing as his last will & testament & that ~~they~~ at the time of their so doing he was of sound & disposing mind and memory & that they subscribed the same as witnesses in his presence & at his request & in the presence of each other sworn then before us this
6th day of July 1840
Jesse Spradling
Harmon Spelling
J. H. Norman
J. L. Gentry J. J. G.

Recorded May 26th 1842

~~Georgia
Wilkes County
Don Chambers July 24th 1841
Personally appeared before me Lewis
H. Brown, James H. Brown & two of the Justices of
the Superior Court of said County. Messrs Harmon &
Jesse Spradling & John H. Norman & James H. Brown
who being duly sworn depose and testify that
of John F. Polot did in his being deceased~~

State of Georgia
Wilkes County
I John F. Polot of the County
of Wilkes & State of Georgia being of sound & disposing
mind & memory but weak in body do make & publish
ordain & confirm my testament of writing to be my last will &
testament & I hereby revoke all former wills any and every
made.
I then first I will & bequeath
to my beloved wife Harriet L. Polot the following property
to wit my house & lot in the town of Washington whereon
I now reside adjoining N. & W. Kingfield A. L. Alexander
Mas. Randolph & others & the other I trust, with all
singular its rights, members & appurtenances, also all my
household & kitchen furniture of every description
my carriage & harness & such other claim of property usually

Wish about my 'my' Lot for the support & convenience
through also the following man known to wit: William
Coffey Sally Peggy Patty Ned. Talbot. Talbot & Harriet to her
& her heirs forever.

I then say I give & bequeath to
my friend Henry Munton on his own good & lawful Right to
him & his heirs forever. Then third. I will bequeath
to my wife Harriet & Petot my wood lot containing twenty
acres more or less adjoining Col Bolton & others to her & her
heirs forever.

I then 4th. It is my further
will & desire that all the real & personal of my property both
in Carolina & Georgia both real & personal, including the
timber acre lot in the town of Washington bought of William Goss
adjoining my garden, be sold by my executor at as early a day
or convenient time to the interest of my estate to be gathered of
by my executor & on such terms as they may think most
beneficial to my estate, and that the proceeds thereof be
first - applied to the payment to the payment of my debts
and the amount which I owe my son Francis L. Pelot - as
his guardian, and then that all the remainder thereof

I desire to be equally divided between my wife Harriet & Petot
& my children which I have by her in as much as the
amount - which I owe my son Francis L. Pelot as his
guardian will exceed the portion which my estate will
pay to the rest of my children. The amount I owe my son
Francis L. Pelot as his guardian is entered by me in full of his part
of my estate.

Then fifth. It is my further will
& desire I expressly empower my executor to invest the
proceeds of my estate which shall be due any children
to invest in such securities being authorized or they may deem
most beneficial to them, and if they should think it
advisable they are permitted to invest the same in
Bank, Stock or other productive Stocks in their discretion.

Then 6th I do hereby nominate and appoint my
friends Edward M. Buxton & Henry J. Pope executors of this
my last will & testament in witnesses whereof I have hereunto
set my hand & seal this 20th day of February 1841

Signed sealed & declared
in his last will & testament in
our joint and several hands the
same in the presence of ~~testators~~ at this
my and in the presence of each other
W. H. Edwards
E. A. Smith
Rob. Lamb

John H. Pelot

64 Goddard June 9th 1844

- Item 7 I give & bequeath to my son Thomas S Pelot
my gold watch to him & his heirs forever
Item 8 I give & bequeath to my son William S Pelot my
double barrel shot gun to him & his heirs forever
Item 9 I do hereby nominate and appoint my beloved wife
Harriet S Pelot executrix to this my last will &
testament in addition to the above named friends.
E. M. Burston. Henry J. Pope
Signed in presence of John H. Pelot
Each of us
N. C. Clark
E. N. Smith. William Lewis

Georgia In Chambers July 24th 1849.
Wills County Personally appeared before us
Lewis S. Brown & Daniel Lee Esqs of the District of
the Superior Court of said County Mps. Harriet S. Pelot &
Clark N. Mps. Eliza S. Smith & Robert S. Lewis the
subscribing witnesses the last will & testament of
John S. Pelot died, who being sworn say that they
saw the said John S. Pelot sign & seal & heard him
acknowledge the same to be his last will & testament
at the time of his so doing in view of sound disposing
mind & memory and that they subscribed the same
as witnesses at his request and his presence & in presence
of each other
Done to before us
Lewis S. Brown Jgl
Daniel Lee Jgl
W. L. Clark
E. N. Smith
Robert Lewis

Attest John H. Lyon C. C. C.

Georgia In Chambers July 24th 1849
Wills County Personally appeared before us Lewis S.
Brown & Daniel Lee Esqs of the District of the Superior
Court and for said County Mps. Harriet S. Clark
Eliza S. Clark the subscribing witnesses to the Codicil
to the will of John S. Pelot died who being sworn say
that they saw the said John S. Pelot sign & seal
& heard him acknowledge the same to be a Codicil
to his last will & testament at the time of his
so doing in view of sound disposing mind &

memory. and that they subscribed the sum of \$1000
his friends at his request & in presence of each other

Spaced before us
this 24th day of July
1841

H. N. Plank
& J. Smith

James T. Brown ggl
Daniel Lee JH

Attest John H. Gason J. C. P.

Recorded May 26th 1842

In the name of God Amen,

I Joseph Henderson of the State of Georgia and
County of Wilkes, considering the shortness of this mortal life
but being of a sound and disposing mind and memory, thank
to God for the same, do this day make my last will and testa-
ment in the manner and for form following. 1st My will
is that all my just debts be paid as soon as convenient after my
death 2nd I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Helen
B. Henderson one negro woman by the name of Mimmy and three
of her children, viz Lane, Richmond and Anthony also one dorell
horse one barouch and harness one cow & calf and one good bed
and furniture together with all my claim or interest in the Estate
of Elizabeth Leasing or in such property as may be subject to the claim
of the three the lawful heirs of his deceased wife. I will all bearing
to be hers and her heirs and assigns forever 3rd I give and bequeath
unto my son Mitchell Henderson a certain tract or parcel of
Land lying and being in the State of Georgia and County of Wilkes
on the West side of Long Creek near and adjoining the tract together
with the grist mill and other appertinances thereof also one negro boy
by the name of Dill to be his and his heirs and assigns forever 4th
I give and bequeath unto my daughter Sarah by Lyon two negroes
a woman by the name of Kelly and her child Martha also one lot of
Land situated in the 18th Dist. in the County of Wilkes No 31 to be
hers and her heirs and assigns forever 5th I give and bequeath unto my
son Jesse M. Henderson two negroes a woman by the name of
Silby and her child William also one lot of Land situated in the
6th Dist. in the County of Wilkes No 47. to be his and his heirs and
assigns forever 6th I give and bequeath unto my son Felix G.
Henderson all the tract of or parcel of Land and plantation

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whereon I now live Containing eight hundred acres more or less
together with the appertaining thereto also two Negroes One a black
-Ksmith by the name of George and the other a boy by the name
of Frank to be his and his heirs and assigns forever 7th I give
and bequeath unto my Grand son Joseph H Malone One -
negro girl by the name of Mary provided he should live to
the age of twenty one but in the event of his death while a
minor then said hire is to go to my Grand Daughter H Malone
Malone 8th My will is that my Executors shall apply so much
of that part of my Estate which I have not named above
as shall be requisite to build a good wall of 20 ft high in
length around the Grave of my Decd wife Peggy Henderson
together with the one wherein my remains may be laid also
also to meet other necessary funeral expenses 9th And as to
the rest and remaining part of my Estate my will that it
be divided into seven equal shares and disposed of as follows
viz to my son Mitchell Henderson one share and to my Daughter
Raney Lyon one share and to my son Luke H Henderson one
share and to my son Felix H Henderson one share, and the
remaining three shares to be divided among my grand Children
as follows, viz One share to be equally shared between the Child-
ren of my deceased son Simon Henderson one share to be equally
divided between the Children of my deceased son Richard Henderson
and one share to be divided between the Children of deceased -
Daughter Armento Malone. Lastly I do constitute and appoint
my sons Mitchell Henderson and Felix H Henderson the
Executors of this my last Will and Testament as witness my hand and
Seal this 10th day of June One Thousand Eight hundred and forty
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Enoch Callaway
J M Jackson
Christopher Binns

Joseph Henderson

Court of Ordinary January Term 1842
Georgia Personally appeared in open Court free the Jackson &
Milledge County Christopher Binns Two of the subscribing witnesses to
the within and who being duly sworn say - That they saw the Testator sign
Seal & heard him acknowledge the same as his last will & Testament and
at the time of his so doing he was of sound disposing mind and memory
and that they subscribed the same as witnesses in his presence & at his request
in presence of each other
Suborn to in Open Court
3 Jan 1842
John & Wm C O } Recorded Jan 13. 1842

J M Jackson
Christopher Binns

In the name of God Amen.

I Joseph Henderson of the State of Georgia and County of Wilkes
Considering the shortness of this mortal life, but being of a sound
and disposing mind and memory, (thanks be to God for the same)
do this day make my last will and testament in the manner
and form following.

1st My will is that all my just debts be paid as soon as convenient
after my death,

2nd I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Helen P Henderson
one Negro woman by the name of Winny and three of her
children (viz) Mary, Rebecca and Sidney after my death
born on board and during, on board and off, and on good
bed and parents: ~~to have~~ with all my claim and interest
in the estate of Elijah Deering or in such property as

may be subject to be divided between the lawfull heirs of our
deceased wife Nancy McDeering to her heirs and assigns forever.

3rd I give and bequeath unto my son ~~William~~ ~~Malcolm~~ a
certain tract or parcel of land lying and being in the State of Georgia
and County of Wilkes on the waters of Long Creek near Lords
millings house, together with the grist mill and other
appurtenances thereof, also one Negro Boy by the name of
Bill to be his heirs and assigns forever.

4th I give and bequeath unto my daughter Nancy Lyon two
Negroes a woman by the name of Kelly and her child
the most, also one lot of land situated in the 18th District
in the County of Wilkesone N 91 to be hers and her heirs
and assigns forever.

5th I give and bequeath unto my son John M Henderson two
Negroes a woman by the name of Selvy and her child William
also one lot of land situated in the 6th Dist in the County
of Wilkesone N 97 to him his heirs and assigns forever.

6th I give and bequeath unto my son Peter P Henderson
all that tract or parcel of land and plantation where I now
live containing Eight hundred acres more or less together
with the appurtenances thereof, also two Negroes one a Black
Linneth by the name of George and the others Boy by the
name of Francis to be his heirs and assigns forever.

7th I give and bequeath unto my Grand Son Capt. H Malcom
one Negro Girl by the name of Mary provided he should
be at the age of twenty one, but in the event of his death
while a minor, then said Girl is to go to my Grand
Daughter Harriet Malcom.

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8th My Will is that my executors should apply to much
of that part of my estate which I have not named
above as shall be required to build a good wall of rock laid
in turn around the grave of my Dear Wife Peggy Henderson
together with the one whereon my remains may be laid
also to seek after necessary financial expenses
9th And is to the next and remaining part of my estate
my will that it be divided ^{equally from equal shares} as follows (viz) to my son
Nehemiah Henderson on share and to my Daughter Nancy
Lyons on share, and to my son Linn Henderson on share
and to my son Felix ~~Henderson~~ on share
and the remaining then shares to be divided among
my Grand Children as follows (viz) ~~as follows~~ share to
be equally divided between the living Children of my
Dear Son Linn Henderson

In the name of God Amine.
I, James Lindsay Sen of the County of Wilkes and
State of Georgia, being sick in body, but of sound
mind and memory, and wishing to dispose of
the property which it has pleased God to bless me
with, it is my will and desire should be disposed
in the following manner (To wit)
1st It is my will and desire that all my just debts
should be paid by my executors.
2nd I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Lintan
during her Widowhood all my property both real and
personal, debts due, and demands that I may be
satisfied of except what may be otherwise disposed of
by this my last will and testament for her own use and
benefit, and to be used by her as she may then or should
3rd It is my will and desire that two lots of Land I own
in Cherokee County be sold by my Executors at any
time they may think proper at public or private
Sale as they may think best, and the proceeds to
be given to my wife and to be considered as a part of estate
and to be used by her as such during her widowhood
4th It is my will and desire that after the death or
marriage of my Wife Lintan that the property or

among you but during our widowhood in the second
 third term in this will be equally divided among all my
 children (to wit) James Lindsay, Martha J. Risher, William
 Lindsay, William Lindsay, John Lindsay and the children
 of Mary Black wife of John Black and the children
 of Elizabeth Hays formerly Eliza Lindsay & now wife of Francis
 John Child. Now that she now has or may have by the said
 James Lindsay and it is to be understood that the children
 of Mary Black shall draw one seventh part of my estate
 and the children of Eliza Lindsay by Hays and Francis Lindsay
 shall draw one seventh part each and them if they have received
 any property to account for it and to be considered as
 a part of estate which will be found on my books.

3. And lastly I hereby nominate and appoint my third
 wife Letitia my Executrix and my son Willie Lindsay
 & my friend Henry P. Weston Co-executors of this my
 last will and testament, hereby revoking any former will
 at any time made by me this 14th day of January
 1842

By and sealed & published
 & declared in presence of
 James M. Lindsay
 Henry P. Weston
 Thomas Weston

James Lindsay 

Georgia } Court of Ordinary July Term 1842
 Wilkes County }

Personally appeared in open Court
 Henry P. Weston James M. Lindsay two of the subscribing
 witnesses to the annexed will, who being sworn depose
 that they saw the Testator sign and seal & read the same
 acknowledge the same as his last will and testament
 and at the time of their so doing he was of sound disposing
 mind and memory and that they subscribed the same
 as witnesses in his presence & at his request together with
 Thomas Weston

Subscribed to in open Court
 July 9th 1842
 John P. E. Gordon Wt.
 C.O.

Henry P. Weston
 James M. Lindsay

Recorded July 8th 1842

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In the name of God Amen
William H. H. I Allen Holliday of the County
of Morris and State of Maryland being much
afflicted in Body but of sound mind and
memory do make this my last Will and
Testament - My Will and desire is that
my body be decently buried I give my Soul
to God who gave it

Item 1st as to my worldly affairs my Will
and wish is that my beloved Wife Nancy
Holliday have the use of all the Land
whereof I now live lying on the North side
of the Augusta Road five the two forty and lots
in the Cherokee Purchase and other tracts of
Land in Gooch County also one tract of Land
in Cox Wiggins County containing four hundred
and twenty eight acres known as the North
half of the Pennwood tract of Land adjoining
R. J. Holliday's Land South of which six Negroes
viz John Matilda Lucinda Maria Eliza
and Nancy are the above named property
my Wife Nancy Holliday shall be entitled
to during her Natural Life

Item 2nd I give to my two Sons William C.
Holliday of Allen & J. Holliday all my Land
lying on the South side of the Augusta Road
surrounding Estate R. J. Holliday and others
containing Eight hundred and some or less
to be equally divided between my two Sons
according to Quality and Quantity

Item 3rd I will that my two Grand Children
Charles Sargent Elliott and Matilda Maria
Elliott have four Negroes (viz) Fanny Fann Maria
and George also our Horses two Cows and Calves
our bedstead and furniture our two Chairs also
one dollar in Money and which is to be the
full portion of my Estate both real & personal
money or effects to them the said Grand Children
Charles Sargent Elliott and Matilda Maria Elliott
I do hereby appoint James R. Elliott the
father of my said African Grand Children
Agent for said Children

I am H^d I will that all my land I have given to
my wife Nancy Holliday during her life be
Equally divided between my three daughters
My Harriet Camilla & Holliday Cynthia R.
Holliday and Francis Aqueduct & Holliday
at the death of their Mother or if my wife
Nancy Holliday desires to keep her lifetime
interest in the said land which I have given her
she can give to either or all of my within named
daughters any portion of said land taking care
to divide the same equally I have except the
Our hundred and twenty eight acre tract
I am I will that my four Grand Children
(viz) Martha Ann Paschall Miriam Amelia Paschall
Thomas Holliday Paschall and Mary Ann Paschall
shall have two Negroes (viz) Chastity & Solomon
Our Man and Coat two Hens and Calves our
bedstead and furniture our set of chairs the above
named property which I have given to my
above named four Grand Children in all its
possession of John I Paschall their fathers
whom I appoint their careful keeper
I also give unto my four Grand Children (viz)
Martha Ann Paschall Miriam Amelia Paschall
Thomas Holliday Paschall and Mary Ann Paschall
four hundred Dollars which sum of money is
to be and remain in the hands of my
Executors and paid out to said Grand Children
by my Executors as the said Children may
require at lawful age or may wish it to
be the full purchase of my estate both real &
personal monies or effects to them the said
Grand Children (viz) Martha Ann Paschall
Miriam Amelia Paschall Thomas Holliday
Paschall and Mary Ann Paschall
I am I will that our hundred & twenty eight
acre tract of land which above excepted for
Equally divided between my two Sons William
& Holliday and Allen S. Holliday at their
Mother's death -
I am I will that all my property and
interests real and personal in this my last will
shall be Equally divided between my four Children

William O Holliday Anna Camilia E.
 Holliday Seymour H. Holliday Allen S.
 Holliday & Francis Adalair O Holliday also
 the six Negroes (viz) Isham Matilda Luenda
 Manali Finge and Warru as they are the
 of their Mother

I am & my Will and wish is that all the
 property of every description be kept together
 & divided equally between my after said four
 children & they may arise at lawful age
 or money agreeable to valuation
 I am & my last Will and desire is that
 my beloved Wife Mary O Holliday be my
 executrix to this my last Will & also app-
 oint my two sons William O. Holliday
 and Allen S. Holliday my Executors in
 whom I intrust this among my last requests
 to carry into Effect this my last Will &
 Testament in manner and form as therein
 described

Signature Truly acknowledged and Subscribed
 in our presence this 20th of October 1842

R. Pootner

George Pess

Allen Holliday ss
 Tho Holliday

Virginia In the Superior Court of
 Meigs County & said County sitting for Capias
 20th March Term 1842

Personally appeared in Open Court Richardson
 Pootner & Tho Holliday & George Pess the subscri-
 -bing witnesses to the last Will & Testament of
 Allen Holliday deceased who being duly sworn
 depose and say that they saw the Testator
 sign & oral & heard him acknowledge the within
 as his last Will & Testament & at the time of
 his executing said within Will he was of sound
 mind & disposing memory and that they
 subscribe the same as witnesses in his presence
 at his request & in presence of each other

Subscribed in Open Court 1st Mar 1842 R. Pootner
 Allen John H. O'Connell & Tho Holliday
 George Pess

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Georgia
Mifflin County

Court of Ordinary
March Term 1842

I the within last Will & Testament
of Allan Holliday deceased having been
fully proved at the regular Term in Open
Court upon the Oath of Richardson Porter
Thomas Holliday & George Ross and
that the same be admitted to record

Remains 4th of September 1842

Georgia
Mifflin County

I Ann C. Parrott, of the
County State aforesaid
being in good health & sound
and disposing mind and memory do make
and publish this my last Will and
Testament first by revoking all former Wills
by me herebefore made

Item 1st I give that all my just Dts to be
paid by my Executor without delay

Item 2^d I give and bequeath the whole
of my Estate of every nature both real and
personal which I may now possess or be
entitled to at the time of my Death to
my friend John H. Gibson In Trust for
the sole and exclusive use of my beloved
Husband Gainham S. Parrott during
his natural life - And it is my further
Will and desire that my said Trustee
after the death of my said Husband
Gainham S. Parrott shall convey the
property (having before acted to him in
Obedt) to such person absolutely as the said
Gainham S. Parrott shall appoint by
Will and if the said Gainham S. should
die intestate then I desire that my said
Trustee shall convey the same to the heir
or heirs at Law of the said Gainham
S. Parrott absolutely -

Item 3^d It is my further Will and desire that my said friend & Executor John H. Ogleon shall have the power & I hereby authorize him by & with the consent of my said husband Cainham S. Packer to sell and convey all or any portion of the property herein before to him as such trustee upon such terms as he may think best & also to invest the proceeds thereof in such manner as he may think most to the interest of the said Cainham S. his first having the consent of the said Cainham S. thereto.

Item 4th I nominate and appoint my friend John H. Ogleon the sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament in the testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this

Day of November 1836

In presence of
John H. Ogleon Ann S. Packer
Lucy S. Montgomery
Nathan Smith

Georgia The Superior Court
Wilkes County In Chambers August 2^d 1842
Permanently appearing before us Lewis D. Brown Esquire & S. Embury & William Manassah Justices of the Superior Court in and for said County John H. Ogleon who being sworn says that his said Ann S. Packer Reg'd & Seal affixed her autograph the annexed & foregoing instrument of writing as her last Will & Testament & at the time of her so doing she was of sound disposing mind and memory and that he subscribed the same as a witness in her presence and at her request together with Nathan Smith & Lucy S. Montgomery
I now to Refer us
this 2^d August 1842 John H. Ogleon
Lewis D. Brown J. J. C.
S. L. Embury J. J. C.
Wm. D. Anderson J. J. C.
Witness 7th Apr 1842

In the name of God Amen I John Wellborn of
the County of Wilkes and State of Georgia do hereby
and apprise this my last Will and Testament
hereby making all other Wills and Testaments
and Codicils null and void in manner and form following
that is to say on the sixteenth day of August
One thousand eight hundred and thirty five
to which I have set my hand and affixed my
seal binding my heirs and assigns forever.
I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife
Martha all the Tract of Land in which I live
the Carriage and a pair of Horses together with
a distributive share of all other property both
real and personal leaving her lifetime at which
time it shall most lawfully to my estate and be
equally divided among my children
It is my Will and desire that the balance
of my property be equally divided among my
children and as my son William has debts
due and amount to a considerable amount
in his hands unaccounted for and if he will
make a full and fair settlement of said debts
due and amount to my Executors if it is my Will
that they my said Executors make him the said
William a full simple bill to the tract of land
on which he lives and in case he should fail
to do so I hereby declare that said land be
sold and the proceeds equally divided between
the balance of my children
I have by appointed my friends Nicholas
Mayer and my wife Martha my Executors
of this my last Will and Testament
In presence of
N. C. Carter
J. M. Mason
William M. Strother
John Wellborn

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By Son
for 1842

76 Georgia In the Inferior Court sitting
Wester County for Ordinary purposes
September Term 1842

Personally appeared in Open Court Amicus
Mabey and William Francis Platter two of the
Subscribing Witnesses to the aforesaid foregoing
Will who being sworn say that they saw the
Testator sign said and heard him utter before
the same to be his last Will and Testament and
at the time of his so doing he was of sound
disposing mind and memory and that they
subscribed the same as witnesses in his presence
at his request in presence of each other
together with William J. Carter

Given to us Open Court

September 15th 1842

Amicus Mabey
John H. Owen C. C. C. J. Wm. F. Platter

Renard 7th Sept. 1842

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In the name of God Amen
I Am Garrett of the County of Wilkes and
State of Georgia being of sound mind and
memory and in good health thank be to my
Creator and is being appointed in the wisdom
of God that all the human family comes or
shall come to and children living or are taught
as well by the word of God as experience that
we should prepare for that end and as God
in his great goodness has blessed me with
some of the Comforts and Concomitants of life
of property real and personal which I desire
to have after my Death be equally divided
between my three children ~~that may~~ be in
life at the time of my Death and for that
purpose do hereby constitute make and appoint
this my last Will Testament to carry into
effect my desires as herein expressed and my
body I desire may be by my friends buried in
a Christian manner as they shall deem proper
and my soul I resign into the hands of my
Creator who gives it lasting for every soul
except to testify that my former resources
shall be to the children of my Daughter Mary
as Murren Wife of William Murren that may
be in life at the time of my Death and to all
the kind of her body either by Murren or by
another should circumstances be so altered
that such changes should take place I give a
fifth part of my estate real & personal after
payment of my debts -

Item 2^d To my three Grand children by my
Daughter Eliza Barker and Thomas J. Barker
to wit Elizabeth Ann Barker William R. Barker
and James Barker I give after my Death an
equal part of ^{all} my estate real and personal after
the payment of my just debts & necessary
expenses incurred in carrying into effect this
my Will

Item 3^d I give to the heirs of the body of my
Daughter Penney Shunk Wife of George Shunk
that may be in life at my Death or how
thereafter I give one fifth part of my estate

Real and personal as herein before stipulated
after payment of my Debt Expresses
I think 4th To the Children or heirs of the body of my
Daughter Adeline Jones Wife of William Jones
which may be in life at my Death or soon
thereafter I give the first part of my estate
Real and personal after the payment of my
debts to my Debts several Expresses &c

I think 5th To the heirs of the body of my Daughter
Mary Evans who is now single I give a fifth
part of my estate Real and personal as herein
before stated after payment of all my Debts
and necessary Expresses in carrying into effect
this my Will and several Expresses it is further
my desire as herein Expressly expressed that
I should either of my said Daughters or with
our Children that the Children of my said
Daughters herein before mentioned shall that
part which she should have share in what
of our Children had she any to be divided in
manors I have herein set forth

I think 6th My further will and desire is that my
estate real and personal be sold in a order after
my Death the better to enable my Executors to carry
into effect my desires herein

I think 7th I hereby appoint my son in law George
Shank my sole Executor to this my last Will
and Testament and hereby ratifying and confirming
all that I have done herein and last Confirmation
in his integrity in carrying into effect this my
gratified request brooking all other Wills by me
made

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto
set my hand and seal this nineteenth day of July
1830

Signed Sealed and
acknowledged in our presence

John James

Esquire James

John Jennings

Ann X Evans
mark

Georgia
Wilkes County } Before us came Peter James one of
the witnesses to the foregoing last
Will and Testament of Ann Stewart
who after being duly sworn deponeth and saith
that her said Ann Stewart did read sign seal
and publish and declare the above writing to
be and contain her last Will and Testament
that he signed the same as a witness in her
presence with Ezekiel James and Thomas Jennings
that she was at the time of making said Will
of sound and disposing memory & that she executed
the same freely & voluntarily. Confessed before
us her kinsman and believe
I have so and subscribed in Chambers before
us this 21st of November 1842
A. W. Montgomery J. C. C. } Peter James
J. W. W. W. J. C. C. }

Tested November 23rd 1842

Georgia
Wilkes County } Before us came Peter James one of
the Veterans to the foregoing last
Will and Testament of Ann Edwards
who after being duly sworn deponeeth and saith
that her said Ann Edwards did read sign seal
and publish and declare the above writing to
be and contain her last Will and Testament
that he signed the same as a Witness in her
presence with Ezekiel James and Thomas Jennings
that she was at the time of making said Will
of sound and disposing memory & that she executed
the same freely & voluntarily. Confessed before
us her Rnpres and believe
I have so and subscribed in Chambers before
us this 21st of November 1842
A. J. Montgomery J. C. C. } Peter James
J. C. C. }
J. C. C. }

Tested November 23rd 1842

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I come to in Open Court
this 3rd day of January 1843
Lewis S. Wilson J.P.C.
Daniel Lee J.P.C.
H. S. Emery J.P.C.

John H. O'Connell
Wm. H. O'Connell

Georgia In the year of Our Lord
Nineteen Hundred and Forty three
and forty three I Mary E. Norman
being afflicted with Palsy and knowing that
life is uncertain have while in my good
sound mind concluded to set forth this my Last Will
and Testament

1st I commend my Soul into the hands of my
God and Jesus Christ

2nd Out of Estate of which I am now possessed
I first wish and my Last Will and Testament as above
as follows

3rd As to my Last Will and Testament as above
I wish my Beloved Wife Mary E. Norman to
have with my friend John S. Wilson to take
charge of the affairs of my estate both real &
personal as my legal & lawful executors and I
wish my Beloved Wife Mary E. Norman to keep
my estate together for the support of my children
and herself and to give to my children as good
an education as their means will afford & as they
become of age I wish them to have a share
I want to provide if the same can be spared from
the support of those which may be left with
my Wife Mary E. Norman and when they all
become of age I wish an equal division made
between my Beloved Wife Mary E. Norman & her
six children - In Testimony whereof I have
hereunto set my hand & seal this 3rd day of January
1843,

1843
Lewis S. Wilson
Daniel Lee
H. S. Emery

Mary E. Norman

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 Georgia } In the Court of Ordinary
 Wilkes County } March Term 1843
 Personally appeared in open Court
 Jarvis Seacal & John Norman two of the solemn
 living Witnesses to the within Will who being
 sworn dep. that they saw the Testator sign and
 seal & heard him acknowledge the same to be
 his last Will & Testament and at the time
 of his so doing he was of sound disposing
 mind and memory and that they subscribed
 the same as witnesses in his presence and at
 his request & in presence of each other
 Done in open
 Court March 11th 1843 } Jarvis Seacal
 John H. Ogden C.C.O. } John Norman
 Per and March 9th 1843

It was all done by their Parents that I
 Samuel Summitt of the County of Wilkes &
 Town of Washington State of Georgia being
 of sound and disposing mind do make this my
 last Will & Testament
 Having already given to my Son in Law
 Alexander Piper the following Negroes viz
 Tom, Fanny, Lucy, Mary & Harriet
 Also to my other Son in Law Archabald S.
 Mingfield the following Negroes to wit John
 Amos, Linnah, Lucy, Peter, the lot of
 Negroes given to Alexander Piper by
 my wife by my estimate of the lot given
 to Archabald S. Mingfield I therefore leave
 to the said Alexander Piper my Negro woman
 Pella & her Infant Child with their future
 increase
 All my remaining property both real and
 personal I assign off as follows viz
 To my Beloved Elizabeth N. Summitt

I have all my house hold & kitchen furniture
It is my Will and desire that my two sons
Samuel I. Parrott & Augustus Parrott to continue
through a Collegiate Course of education and that
my two Daughters Emma Parrott & Mary I.
Parrott to continue at the Washington female
Seminary or elsewhere until their education is
completed. All my remaining property
both real and personal I wish to equally divide
between my wife, sons Samuel I. & Augustus & Daughters
Emma & Mary I. Parrott share & share alike
that is to say in five equal shares should they
all be living at the time of such division
But in case of the death of one or more than
I wish it divided into as many shares as there
may be of them, my wife and children living
at the time of such division

I wish the lot on the North West corner of
the public square formerly improved by me
to be fitted up with out houses necessary for
the convenience of a family

I wish the business part of an affair must
be approved with

I have by appointed my wife Elizabeth M.
Parrott & Francis J. Miller Executors of this my
last Will and Testament

Washington December 15th 1842

Signed & sealed in
the presence of
Thomas Wilson
E. M. Burton
Lewis S. Church J. C.

Samuel Parrott

Georgia { Personally appeared in Open
Milled County { Court Charles M. Dutton &
Erwin S. Brown two of the undersigned
Witnesses to the annexed Will of Samuel Dammitt
and also being sworn say that they saw
the Testator sign & hand him a certain paper the
same to be his last Will & Testament when at
the time of his so doing he was of sound disposing
mind and memory and that they subscribed
the same as witnesses in his presence at his
request and in presence of each other together
with Thomas Primm
Sworn to in Open Court { E. M. Dutton
March 4th 1843 { Erwin S. Brown
J. H. Dyson &c. &c.

Georgia { Official
Milled County { We it sheweth to all
men by these presents
that I Samuel Dammitt
having made my last Will & Testament
bearing date the 1st day of December Eighteen
hundred and forty two did further order &
ordain this as at Council begun
First Wth the Will of John Dammitt deceased
of the Parish of St. John's in the district
of Dorchester & State of South Carolina being
dated the 1st day of December A.D. One thousand
eight hundred and forty five I am entitled
in the room of a certain Contingency then
mentioned to a distribution share of property
in said Will specified & Now I do hereby ordain
that all the Interest I do or may possess in
said property be given & I hereby will it the one
half of said interest to the children of my
deceased daughter Jane Ann Wingfield
I name James Pope & the other half to the
children of my deceased daughter Anne Ann
Wingfield

Secondly By reference to my Will it will be
 seen that I have left my Son in Law Alexander
 Piper a negro woman Wella & her child now
 and I have already bequeathed to him the said woman
 Wella & child I do hereby revoke so much of
 my will as relates to said Negroes
 Witness my hand and Seal this 5th day of
 January 1843

Signed Testes and
 attested in presence of
 Thomas Summers
 C. M. Andrews
 C. M. Denton, A. T.

Samuel Denton ES

Georgia } Court of Ordinary March
 Wilkes County } Term 1843
 Personally appeared in Open
 Court before Me Denton & Daniel M. Andrews
 two of the subscribing witnesses to the within
 Certificate of the last Will & Testament of
 Samuel Denton Decedent who being sworn
 say that they saw the Testator Samuel Denton
 alive & had him publish & declare
 the same as a Codicil to his last Will
 and Testament and at the time of his so
 doing he was of sound disposing mind and
 memory and that they subscribed the same
 as witnesses in his presence at his request & in
 presence of each other
 Given & in Open
 Court C^o March 1843
 John H. Cypow & Co. }
 C. M. Denton
 C. M. Andrews

Renewed 9th March 1843

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 Virginia { In the name of God Amen
 Wills County } I Thomas J. Ellington of the
 County & State aforesaid being in
 Sound mind & memory and Calling to mind
 the Mortality of this frail Body do make and
 ordain this my last Will & Testament hereby
 revoking all others -
 1st I request that my body be decently interred
 at the discretion of my Executors
 2nd I will and bequeath to my Brothers Simon
 Ellington & William J. Ellington One thousand
 Dollars each & etc -
 3rd The balance of my property I will and bequeath
 to my two daughters & my two sisters viz. Fannie
 Ellington, William Ellington Elizabeth M.
 Williams & Sarah Jane Williams to be equally
 divided between them
 4th Lastly I hereby nominate constitute and appoint
 my Brother William J. Ellington a cousin
 my whole & sole executor, of this my last Will
 and Testament

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set
 my hand and Seal this 14th day of January in
 the year of Our Lord Eighteen hundred and
 forty two

Testimony of
 A. L. Ennis

John News

A. E. Wingfield & A. ?

Thomas J. Ellington

Virginia { In the Chamber January 31st 1843
 Wills County } I personally appeared before us Lewis
 J. Brown & Archibald J. Wingfield Justices of the
 Peace of the Inferior Court of said County
 A. L. Ennis one of the subscribers witnesses to the
 annexed Will who being sworn says that he
 saw the Testator Thomas J. Ellington sign &
 seal & read him verbatim large that same to be
 his last Will & Testament at the time of his

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Court of Ordinary for that purpose
and such valuation to be conclusive
as a part of her legacy
5th I give and bequeath unto my
Grand Son Myr M. Pope in trust for
my Son Myr M. Pope One half
of my property real & personal under
the other valuation of the land
above given to Sarah Husbings & her heirs
to hold to and managed by him
the said Myr M. Pope for the use
of the said Myr M. Pope who is to
receive the yearly profits of the
same without any management or
control of the same

6th It is to be expressly understood
that after paying my just Debts &
the legacies above named that my
Daughter Sarah Husbings & Myr M. Pope
in trust as aforesaid shall have and
own half of my estate in whatever it
may consist the said Sarah to account
for whatever the land may be valued
as a part of her moiety of the estate
7th And lastly I hereby resign & con-
firm my friends & heirs who
Nicholas M. Stephens & Thomas Newton
Executors to this my last Will & Testament
been by making and committing & selling
under my former Will by ever at any
time made & intended to do

Signed & sealed published & declared
in the presence of us this first day
of May Eighteen hundred & forty three
John Jackson
Witness E. Arnold Mary & Pope Esq
Wm. M. Jackson

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Virginia } In the Court of
 Wilkes County } Ordinary July Term 1843
 Open Court John S. Saylor & William
 M. Saylor two of the subscribers being witnesses
 as to the undersigned Miss who being
 sworn say that they saw the Testatrix
 Mary Pope sign & seal & bind her
 acknowledgment of the same to be her last
 will & Testament and at the time of
 her so doing she was of sound disposing
 mind & memory and that they subscribed
 the same as witnesses in her presence
 at her request & in presence of each other
 together with the the above Map by P. Ample
 sworn to & subscribed
 in Open Court this 3rd day
 of July 1843
 Attest
 John H. Sykes C. C. C.

John Saylor
 Wm. M. Saylor

Witnessed 10th July 1843

Georgia } In the name of God Amen
 Wilkes County } I, Nancy A. McRea of the County and State
 aforesaid knowing that I must shortly depart from this world
 deem it right and proper that I should make a disposition of the
 Property with which a kind Providence has blessed me, I therefore
 make this my last will and Testament hereby revoking and annulling
 all others heretofore made by me.

Item first. I desire and direct that all my just debts be
 paid without delay by my Executors herein after named.

Item second: I give and bequeath to my niece's daughter
 Mary E. Blain wife of James Blain and her children by her
 present, and any future husband, free from the disposition of
 her present, and any future husband my negro Woman Hester,
 and her child Allison a boy about ten years of age to my said
 great niece and her children forever and I appoint my
 trusty and worthy friends Lewis S. Brown and John H.

Dyson trustees for the property herein bequeathed to my niece Mary E. Blain and her children.

Item Third; I give and bequeath to my niece Josephine A. Aughtroy and her child or children forever should she have any my negro girl Virginia and her increase, but should my said niece die without child or children, then to my great Nephew William H. Aughtroy and his heirs forever but should said William H. Aughtroy die before coming of age in the event of the death of Josephine A. Aughtroy without child or children then to Mary E. Blain and her children to be managed in trust for her and her children by the aforesaid trustees.

Item fourth; I give and bequeath to my niece son William H. Aughtroy to him and his heirs forever my negro boy Frederick about fourteen years of age and should said William H. die before becoming twenty one years of age then to Josephine A. Aughtroy and her child or children, and should she die without child or children then to Mary E. Blain and her children to be held in trust for her and her children by the aforesaid trustees.

Item Fifth; It is my will and I hereby direct that my Executors herein after mentioned sell at private sale to the best advantage for cash or on twelve months credit as they might deem best, or if only one qualifies as he may deem best my woman Laura and her increase if any and my woman Francis and her two children Josephine and William, the mother and children to be sold together and it is my desire that the aforesaid servants be sold to persons of known humanity.

Item Sixth; It is my will and I hereby direct that my Executors herein after mentioned sell at public or private sale my my lot in the rear of the residence of Francis J. Willis for cash or on twelve months credit as they or if only one qualifies as he may deem best.

Item 7th I will and bequeath all the moneys arising from the sale of the negroes and lot aforesaid, and upon notes bonds, bank stock and from all other sources belonging to my estate as follows: One thousand dollars to Mary E. Blain and her children; twelve hundred dollars to Nancy Pomeroy for and during her natural life and at her death to be equally divided between Josephine A. Aughtroy and her child or children, and William H. Aughtroy or if either be dead then the whole twelve hundred dollars to the other, and the balance of the money arising aforesaid to be equally divided between Josephine A. Aughtroy and child or children and William H. Aughtroy, and in the event of the death of either

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then the whole balance to go to the other and in the event of the death of both, Josephine without child or children and William H. before twenty one years old, then to Mary E. Blain and her children.

Item 10th I give and bequeath my Jewelry silver ware, gold snuff box and miniature of my brother Henry to Josephine A. Aughty and my fathers family bible to Josephine Aughty.

Item 11th I give and bequeath one Hundred Dollars to the authorities of the Presbyterian church of this place that may be authorized to receive it for religious purposes not to be expended out of the limits of the State of Georgia.

Item twelfth, I give my bed and bedding and the best of my wearing apparel and my andirons to Mary E. Blain.

Item 13th I give my negro woman Winny to Lewis S. Brown, wishing her to remain with her husband and if she should be unable to support herself from any cause then I desire my Executors to support her from my Estate.

Item 14th In the necessary charges upon my Estate I do not wish any amount subtracted from the sum of money appropriated to Mary E. Blain and her children and Nancy Pomeroy but to be taken from other moneys of my estate.

Item 15th I hereby constitute and appoint Lewis S. Brown and John H. Dyson trustees for the property whether negroes or money given in any part of this my last will and testament to Josephine A. Aughty and William H. Aughty and also trustees for the money given in the same to Nancy Pomeroy and also trustees for all the property and money given in the same to Mary E. Blain and children and I desire that the annual interest only be appropriated to their several uses unless in the discretion of the trustees a part of the Principal should be needed for the support and education of the children or some emergency should arise requiring the expenditure of a part of the principal for the other parties Mrs. Pomeroy and Mrs. Blain.

Item 16th I give and bequeath to my friend James M. Smythe my walnut dressing table

Item 17th I constitute and appoint my worthy friends Lewis S. Brown and John H. Dyson Executors to this my last will and testament this February the eighteenth 1843

Interlined "at public or"
"and her child or children"
"and child or children"

Nancy A. McKee

"without child or children and William H. before twenty one years old then to Mary E. Blain and her children." all on the second page before signed Signed sealed declared and published by Nancy A. McKee as her last will and Testament in the presence of us the subscribers who subscribed our names hereto in the presence of said Testator and of each other
this February the 18th 1843

W. F. Baker
John Depe
James M. Smythe

Codicil

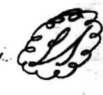
Whereas I, Nancy A. McKee did on the eighteenth day of February in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and forty three sign, seal, declare & Publish my last will and Testament in the presence of William F. Baker, John Depe and James M. Smythe and Whereas I am desirous of altering and changing a gift or gifts of personal property in said Will and Testament I therefore make and publish this Codicil to said Will

Item 1st I revoke and change so much of the ninth item of said Will as gives one thousand dollars to Mary E. Blain and her children so as to give her and her children five hundred dollars and revoke and change so much of said item as gives twelve hundred dollars for and during her natural life to Nancy Pomroy so as to give said Nancy Pomroy for and during her natural life six hundred dollars and as to the disposition of said moneys in all respects It is my will that it be disposed of with the above alterations in the amounts as is set forth and described in the ninth item aforesaid of my last will and testament aforesaid

Item 2nd It is my will that the aforesaid last will and Testament remain in full force in all respects with the exception of the above alterations in Item first

Item 3rd My friends Lewis J. Brown and John H. Dyson I appoint Trustees of this property in accordance with the intentions and purpose of appointing them Trustees in my said last will and Testament March 10th 1843.

Signed, sealed, declared and published by
Nancy A. McKee as a Codicil to her last
will and Testament of the eighteenth
day of February Eighteen hundred
and forty three in the presence of us - 3

Nancy A. McKee 

the subscribers, who subscribed our names hereto in the presence of said
testator and of each other this tenth of March Eighteen hundred
and forty three

James M. Smythe
G. W. Smythe
Francis A. Liphard

Georgia } In the Court of Ordinary July 17. 1843
Wilkes County } Personally appeared in open Court James M.
Smythe, William F. Baker and John Defer three of the subscri-
-bing Witnesses to the annexed will, who being sworn say that
they saw the Testatrix Nancy A. McKee, sign and seal, and
heard her acknowledge the same to be her last will and testament
and at the time of her so doing she was of sound disposing mind
and memory, and that they subscribed the same as Witnesses in
her presence, at her request and in presence of each other
Sworn to & Subscribed
in open Court this 17th
July 1843
James M. Smythe
W. F. Baker
John Defer
John N. Dyson C. C. O.

Georgia } In the Court of Ordinary of said
Wilkes County } County, July 17. 1843
Personally appeared in open Court James M. Smythe
and George W. Smythe two of the subscribing Witnesses, to
the Codicil of the Will of Nancy McKee dec'd. who being
sworn say that they saw the testatrix sign, and seal and
heard her acknowledge the same to be a Codicil to her
last Will and Testament and at the time of her so doing
she was of sound disposing mind and memory, and that
they subscribed the same as a Witness in her presence, at her
request, together with, Francis A. Liphard
Sworn to in open Court
July 17. 1843
Attest John N. Dyson
C. C. O.
James M. Smythe
G. W. Smythe

Recorded this 7th August 1843

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Orange N. H. County Sept 24th 1843

In the name of God Amen

I, John S. Lander, being weak in body and of sound mind do constitute this my last Will & Testament that after my just debts & funeral expenses are paid, I give & bequeath unto my Wife Lettice Lander my household and kitchen furniture plantation tools together with my stock of every kind also all my slaves to wit Stephen A. Abner Prudence, George, Joel, Alfred & William during her natural life of widowhood

I do also give and bequeath unto my three Grand Children namely Sarah Margaret and John Weston the value of said lands to wit my lot of land in Early County No 176 5th section 18th district also my two lots of land in Cherokee Co No 14th 14th & 15th sections the other lot No 239 18th & 19th sections my desire is that should to wit the amount of the sale of said lands I want Equally divided between the three said Grand Children 3rd At the death of my Lettice Lander I wish the above mentioned slaves or their value to be equally divided between the above named Grand Children

I constitute & appoint my worthy friend William Cude my sole executor to execute this my last Will & Testament if he should die before my Wife Lettice Lander I wish him to appoint some worthy friend that she may recommend if he thinks her a judicious person

Witness my hand & seal this day & year above written

John S. Lander
A. C. Smith
James W. Wray

John S. Lander

Georgia { Personally appeared in
 Wilkes County { Gen Court A. J. Peters
 N. E. Smith and James H. Enley the
 subscribing Witnesses to the annexed Will
 who being sworn say that they saw the
 Testator John Samuel sign said will and
 acknowledge the within to be his last
 Will & Testament and at the time of
 this so doing he was of sound disposing
 mind & memory and that they subscribed
 the same as Witnesses in his presence
 and at his request
 Given to us Gen Court Nov 11 1843
 John H. Cyren Esq { A. J. Peters
 { James H. Enley
 { N. E. Smith

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Georgia { I, John Pasterson
 Wilkes County { of the County and
 State aforesaid do make
 and publish this my last Will
 and Testament thus by writing and
 all former Wills made by me whomever
 I may 1st I direct that my Body be
 privately buried as to my worldly estate
 as it shall please God to instruct me
 with I dispose of as follows viz
 Item 2^d I direct that my just Debt be
 paid by my Executors whom I have
 appointed
 Item 3 I give that my Son in Law
 Samuel Penaway live where he now
 lives until he can do better & he the
 said Penaway shall have the privilege
 of clearing & cultivating my Land from
 this last clearing season next to bury
 Land & have the use of that portion
 of my estate as long as the said Penaway

and family our power to reserve when
they now live and wherever the said
Cunaway & family do now & here the
aforesaid powers then their Indent
shall come to all my estate both real &
personal as I have heretofore given said
Cunaway and wife their full & proportion
of my estate -
I give to my Son John Parkerson
and my three Daughters Mary Miller
Richard Smith & Harrieth Jefferson
jointly and in trust of said Real & Personal
estate now or here in the Gold
Region in this State known by number
597 Third District & Third Section with
what they have heretofore had is all
intire & them to have of my estate either
Real or Personal -

I give & I will that my Executor pay
Peggy McElroy Ten dollars out of my
property that may come into his hands
of my estate which is her full distribution
share of my estate both real & personal

I give of all the rest and residue of my
estate both real and personal which
has not heretofore been divided away in
this my last Will and Testament

I now give and bequeath unto my four
unmarried children viz) Judock Parkerson
Sarah Parkerson Elizabeth Parkerson Phoebe
Parkerson and Rebecca Parkerson so long
as they shall remain on the Land where
I now live if either of the above named
unmarried children viz) Judock Parkerson
Sarah Parkerson, Elizabeth Parkerson
Phoebe Parkerson & Rebecca Parkerson shall
our power to now or here the aforesaid
powers then or either of them refusing of
shall not be an argument to disprove of the
real estate or any part thereof and that
shall their leaving the powers be another
- agree to see a certain negro man named

Charles, or any part thereof but if any of
the above is an all for them I shall make
of an even the same I will give them
three and in that case they shall only be
entitled to an equal share of all the personal
property I have given them except the Linn
and Negro man Charles which has been before
been accepted -

I then I give my Daughter Catherine
Puckerson four (4) cow and calf which she has
now in possession this all I intend the said
Catherine of shall have of my estate either real
or personal -

I then I give Puckerson the Tutor do
him by Constitution and appoint Richard
Hathaway my Trustful Executor of this my
Last Will and Testament and also the
said Hathaway shall act as agent for all
my single children viz; David Puckerson
Samuel Puckerson Elizabeth Puckerson
Phoebe Puckerson & Rebecca Puckerson -

I then I give my Executor Richard J. Hathaway
shall be and he is hereby authorized to
appoint three appraisers who shall appraise
all the personal property of my estate
within forty days after my decease and
he the said Executor shall keep a true
list of said Appraisement -

I then I give shall be six (6) acres of land
is to be or lots of my estate either real or
personal no further than is necessary to
pay my just debts except my Executor
shall find it necessary to sell either real
or personal property for the actual payment
of my just debts viz; my Daughter Puckerson
Charles Puckerson Elizabeth Puckerson
Phoebe Puckerson and Rebecca Puckerson
neither shall the Court of Ordinary have
any Control over my estate or executor only
to prove and record this my Last Will
and Testament -

I in Witness whereof I
David Puckerson the Tutor have hereunto

Let my hand guide affixed my seal this
13th day of November 1843

Signed & sealed and acknowledged
in presence of us who have subscribed
in the presence of each other and in
presence of the Notary

I am ^{his} witnesses

Griffin Jackson by

John P. Bird

Richard J. Halliday & P

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Georgia Personally appeared
Misses Mary & John P. Bird
of the subscriber witnesses to the
Latter will of Levi Parkerson who
bring down say that they saw the Testator
sign and seal by his making his mark
there to and a last time acknowledge the
same to be his last will & testament
and at the time of his so doing he was of
sound disposing mind and memory
and that they subscribed the same as
witnesses in his presence at his request
and in presence of each other

I am to in

Testimony 4th 1844

John H. O'Connell C.C.

his
James X M. witnesses
John X P. Bird
mark

Per and 27th May 1844

In the Name of God Amen
 I John Willmings being of sound
 mind and disposing memory yet
 knowing the uncertainty of human life
 do make and ordain this my last
 Will and Testament in manner and
 form following viz
 Item 1st I design my Body to the
 Earth to be decently buried and my
 Soul to God who gave it with a Conf-
 - dent Opinion of a blessed Immortality
~~and~~ happy vision of God and glory at
 the final Resurrection -
 Item 2^d I give to my beloved Wife the
 whole of my Household and kitchen Furniture
 or so much as she may need also my boy
 Mat and my Riding Carriage with wheel
 above an Equal share with my children
 Item 3^d My Yellow Girl Penny and her
 child I give to all or any of my family
 permitting her to choose her lover or it to
 be hired in Ligeitment and Servant or to
 change her name whenever she thinks proper
 to do so -
 Item 4th It is my Will and desire that my
 Land and Negroes be all kept together and
 that my Negroes be worked on my Plantation
 or Plantations as my Executors may deem
 and think proper to do as long as her or they
 shall Conceive it most Conducive to the benefit
 of the Land and I also wish the whole of
 my Stock of every kind with all of my Plantation
 Tools and every thing that belongs to the Land
 with the provisions now on the Land to be used
 for the benefit of the Land unless at any time
 John Shorella be a suspect and then it to be
 sold for the benefit of the Land at the
 discretion of my Executors and the whole of
 my Estate to be kept together until some one
 of my children in their manner or becomes of
 Age and as far as they are many is broken

of Age to receive their proportion of the Negro
freedom and stock of all kinds
But the land not to be divided
until the order of my children in their
manier or bequest of Age

And I nominate and appoint William
S. Hunt and Samuel M. M. my
Executors to this my last will & testament
and I hereby revoke all former Wills on
my testimony whereof I have hereto
set my hand and seal this 25 day
of January in the year of our Lord Eighteen
hundred and forty four

In presence of
John Hunt
Wm. M. Jordan
Benjamin M. Weston
John M. Weston

Georgia
Wilkes County

Subscribed and sworn to in Open
Court William M. Jordan and Benjamin
M. Weston two of the subscribers
Witnesses to the foregoing Will also being
sworn say that they saw the testator
sign seal and had him acknowledge the
same to be his last will and testament
and at the time of his so doing he was of
sound & disposing mind and memory and
that they subscribed the same as witnesses
in his presence at his request & in presence
of each other together with the Thomas Hunt
sworn to & subscribed
in Open Court May 6th 1844

Attest
John H. Ogden C.C.

Benjamin M. Weston
Wm. M. Jordan

Record May 27th 1844