

# Last Will and Testament of Thomas Greer

I Thomas Greer being of sound and disposing mind and memory, and knowing that life is uncertain and that death so inevitable, do make this my last will and testament in the words and form (viz).

Item 1<sup>st</sup> – I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Ame, during her natural life or widowhood the plantation where on I now live. Also the one forth part of all my Negro property. Also as much of my stock of every distinction as she may desire. Also as much of the crop on hand as may enable my wife to carry on a farm, with as much of my plantation tools and gear, wagon, carts and such as she may desire or want for the above farm to be her property during her lifetime or widowhood.

Item 2<sup>nd</sup> – The property which I have left to my wife Ame during her natural lifetime or widowhood I wish to be equally between my three grandchildren, Thomas F. Greer, son of Crawford H. Greer. Thomas Lee Greer son of son of John B. Greer, and Thomas I. C. Greer son of Leroy F. Greer after the death of intermarriage to be their property.

Item 3<sup>rd</sup> – The balance of my property not disposed of above, I wish to be disposed of equally into three lots, and the lot that my fall to my son Crawford H. Greer, I give and bequeath the same to him and his living children to be their property. Also the lot that my fall to my son John R. Greer, I give and bequeath the same to him and his living children to be their property. Also the lot that may fall to my son Leroy F. Greer. I give and bequeath the same to him and his living children to be their property.

Item 4<sup>th</sup> - The money be on hand at my death (if any) I wish to be divided into for shares, and my wife and three sons each to receive on share of the same, and to be their property.

Item 5<sup>th</sup> - It is my will and desire after my death that the property may be divided and not sold for a division, and if the legatees cannot divide the property themselves each legatee choose a man and then divide the above equally.

Item 6<sup>th</sup> – It is my wish and desire that my too [sic] beloved sons Crawford H. and John R. Greer be my Executors to carry this my last will and testament into full force and effect.

31<sup>st</sup> December 1849

his  
Signed Thomas X Greer  
Mark

Test  
Robert Brown  
Thos K. Slaughter  
Silas Grubbs  
James E. Shropshire J. P

Jasper Inferior Court sitting for ordinary purposes, November adjourned Term 1850

Georgia

Jasper County

Personally appeared before us Robert Brown and Thos K. Slaughter in open court who being duly sworn deposeth [sic] and saith [sic] that they saw Thos Greer sign seal publish and declare the within instrument as his last will and testament, that deponents together with Silas Grubbs and James E. Shropshire signed the same as witnesses in the presents [sic] of each other and in the presents [sic] of said Thos. Greer. deponents further say that at the time of signing said will and testament said Thos Greer was of sound and deposing mind and memory.

Sworn to before me in open court  
9<sup>th</sup> November 1859

Thos. K. Slaughter  
Robert Brown

A. W. Lane J.I.C.  
Wyatt R. Smith J.I.C.  
Wyley Phillips J.I.C.

Davis Lane C.C.O.

Recorded November 12<sup>th</sup> 1859  
Davis Lane C.C.O.