

Guyton Ancestry

Wills and administrations

AARON GUYTON

(27 October 1761 – 30 June 1841)

Will dated 14 February 1840 and proved 16 November 1841

Probate Court, Anderson County, South Carolina

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN. I, Aaron Guyton of Anderson Dist. & State of So. Carolina (being weak in body but of sound mind and memory) do make and declare this my last will and testament in manner and form following Viz.

1. I give and bequeath to each of my five Daughters Polly Sherrill, Hannah Smith, Betsy Webb, Margaret Steele, and Sally Duckworth, one negro and other property nearly equal to each, which I have already formally given them, and which I now give and bequeath them forever.
2. I give and bequeath to my Son Robt. Guiton all that tract of Land containing one hundred and eighty five Acres Lying and being in Sd. State & Dist. on the waters of Milwee creek. Also a part of the Shirley tract, containing fifty Acres (more of less) which has been laid off to him beginning where the line crosses the C. H. road near the Oar bank field & running thence a Straight line to Robts. own corner Just below, & near, to Hopewell Meeting House. Also one bed and furniture and other property which he has already in possession.
3. I give & bequeath to my Son Joseph Guyton All that tract of Land whereon he now lives in Hall county, Georgia also one negro woman named Leah, & child, and Three Hundred dollars in money to be paid out of my estate in twelve months after my decease, to make him equal in Land with the rest of my Sons and all the other property he has recd. from me.
4. I give & bequeath to my Son Aron W. Guyton one negro boy named Lawson, he having already received a tract of Land, which he has sold to Tho Duckworth, As his portion of Land and all the other property he has received from me.
5. I give and bequeath to my Son John W. Guyton a tract of Land containing five Hundred Acres (more of less) beginning at the ford of the branch between my house & meeting house at the end of the lane then up Sd. Branch to the head then across the waggon road to the head of a hollow, then down S. hollow to the corner, thence to include all the Ervin & Shirley tracts, West and South of the Aforesaid lines, except what has been named and Willed to my son Robt thence from Robt. Guytons corner, near the meeting house down his line to his cross fence, thence a straight line with Sd fence to the head of the first hollow, then down Sd. hollow to the beginning corner at the ford of the branch, to have and to hold all in the above named boundaries, also one negro boy named Adam and the mare he now claims, saddle and bridle, one cow and calf, and one bed and furniture.
6. I give and bequeath to my Son Guyton, Guyton, one negro boy named Orange one Good horse saddle and bridle, one cow and calf, and one bed & furniture. I will that that tract of land of one hundred and fifty acres (more or less) lying on the little beaver-dam creek belonging to me, adjoining land belonging to Thos. Green be sold on a credit of 12 months & the product of Sd. Sale to be equally divided between my above named five Daughters.

7. I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Margaret Guyton all the rest, residue, & remainder of my estate of what nature or kind soever not herein already bequeathed, to be for her proper use and benefit during her natural life or widowhood. And at her death I give and bequeath to my Son Guyton, Guyton, one negro man named Bill. likewise all the tract of Land whereon I now live containing four hundred and twenty Acres, (more or less) together with all the appertenances belonging thereto, also all the land on the other side of the creek, except that willed to Robt. & John Guyton, also the waggon & one horse, Blacksmiths tools, Bureau, Bookcase, clock, folding Table, chest, & half doz. Chairs. all the remainder of my Estate not disposed off to be sold and proceeds to be equally divided among all my children, male & female, But my will is that they should divide the negroes among themselves without putting them upto publick sale, But if they cannot agree in a division then the negroes to be sold on a credit of Twelve months and the proceeds equally divided amongst them all as above mentioned.

And I do hereby nominate and appoint my three Sons Robert, Aaron W. and John W. Guyton sole executors of this my last will and testament, and I do hereby revoke all former wills by me made declaring this to be my Will in Witness whereof I do hereby set my hand and seal this day 14th of Feb. In the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty.

Signed Sealed, published and declared by the aforementioned Aaron Guyton to be his last will and testament in the presence of us who have set our names as witnesses in the presence of the testator and of each other

Aaron Guyton

Jas Wilson
Charles Irby
Thomas H Garrett

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