## **Reuben Owens will**

I Reuben Owens of King George County in the state of Virginia make my last will & testament as follows.

I give and devise all my estate of every kind and disposition whatever (subject to my wife's dower and the payment of my just debts) to my children John Dishman Owens, Sidney Hopkins Owens, Warren Owens, Putnam Owens, James Blucher Owens, Remus Uberta Owens and Kitty Jane Owens and their legal representatives equally to be divided between them: and believing that the sale of my estate in money will be more useful and beneficial to my said children and wife than their shares of is in kind, I hereby direct that it shall be sold by my executor, or administrator with the will amended (as the case may be) on a ends of twelve months, and the proceeds of the sale divided among the persons herein before directed, according to their rights under this my will.

I appoint my eldest son John Dishman Owens executor of this will.

In witness whereof I have hereto subtented my name the 31<sup>st</sup> day of April in the year 1822.

Reuben Owens

Signed & declared by the testators to be his last will & testament in presence of us, who signed our names as witnesses in his presence

Theo. Hansford

A. Hansford

At a court of quarterly sessions began and held for King George County on the  $5^{\rm th}$  day of June 1823.

The aforegoing last will & testament of Reuben Owens dec<sup>d</sup> was produced in court and proved according to law by the oaths of Theodossius Hansford and Addison Hansford the subsenting witnesses thereto is ordered to be recorded.

Teste,

Jno. H. Smith

Will Book 3, p.235 King George County, Virginia

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