

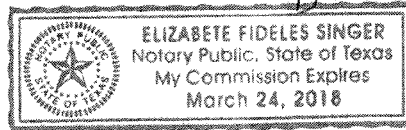
**Leech and Rigdon Confederate Revolver Serial # 457**

In November 2004 after the death of my father I inherited the Leech and Rigdon Confederate Revolver. According to my father, the revolver had a storied history. In the mid 1920's my Great Uncle (from my maternal side) purchased the gun and holster which accompanies it for \$5.00 from a gentleman who stopped by their house in Rayle, Wilkes County, Georgia. Later, when my parents began dating in the 1950's, my father inquired about the gun as he was aware of the revolver's existence. My Great Uncle agreed to sell the revolver to my father for the sum of \$75.00. At the time, he thought it an exuberant price.

My father, who also resided in Rayle, Georgia, would periodically take the Leech and Rigdon to Gun Shows to gauge its value and interest. One such time in the mid-1980's, he went to the Atlanta Antique Firearms Show. As I remember, he received multiple offers, but wasn't willing or ready to part with one of his most prized possessions. The gun has since remained in our family.

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