

WILL OF  
B. W. STEWART

[121-3575]

State of Carolina Abbeville District

Being Sound in body and Mind and about to leave the United States for the Mexican War and Calling to mind the uncertainty of My return. and wishing to dispose of the property with which a Kind Providence has blessed me

I hereby after the payment of My Just debts. I constitute My brother Shepherd. G. Stewart My Lawful Executor and only heir this My last Will and Testament whereunto I have Set My hand and seal in presence of these Witnesses

- W. T. Robertson
- W. H. Ritchie
- T. L. Johnson

B. W. Stewart (LS)



This the 15<sup>th</sup> day of Decr Eighteen  
Hundred and fortysix ----

WILL OF  
ARTHUR BOWIE [113-3345]

In the name of God Amen

Be it known that I Athur Bowie of Abbeville District South Carolina, Calling to Mind My Mortality & being in Usual health of Body, & of Strong Sound & disposing Mind & Memory, do make this My last Will & Testament, & at the Same Time revoking all former Wills made by me & declaring this to be my last Will & Testament & 1<sup>st</sup> I give my soul to God through Jesus Christ & My Body to be decently Burried at the discretion of My friends  
Item 2<sup>nd</sup> I leave and bequeath to My Son Morton, A " Bowie Sixty Acres of Land, it being part of the Plantation or Tract of Land wheron I now live, the Said Sixty Acres to be run of for him on the West Side of my Plantation adjoining Rev<sup>d</sup> James Donellies,, Plantation

Item 3<sup>d</sup> I leave & bequeath to my Other Son Arthur Bowie, all the balance of My Plantation or Tract of Land wheron I now live, on the following conditions, that my Wife Sarah & my three daughters Elizabeth & Martha & Mary Stephens, & my little Grand daughter „Sarah„ Jane Stephens, are all to be maintained & Sustained Comfortably by the land left to Arthur A Bowie, & to dwell in the house during their natural lives, Except they choose to Marry & if any One of them or all of them, Should get Married Arthur „A„ Bowie will then be free From having to Maintain them or let them dwell in the house, but anyone oe all of them Remaining Single or Unmarried will be entitled to heir support & Maintainance as before Stated, & if any of them Marries, Arthur „ A will have to furnish them of for housekeeping with as Mutch as is convienent for him to give them

ITEM 4<sup>TH</sup>

My Stock of every kind Plantation Tools Household & Kitchen Furniture Corn Wheat & Grain of every kind that may be on hands at the time is to remain for the use of <sup>my wife</sup> ~~the Widow~~ & Single daughters Except My Executor Should have to sell part thereof to pay my debts

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ITEM 5 "

I hereby Authorize & apoint Arthur „A„ Bowie the Executor of this My last Will & Testament and in Testamony that this is my last Will & Testament I hereunto Subscribe my hand



& Seal this December 1846

ATTESTED

R. M. Davis

Jas T. Baskine

Benjamin Bowie

Athur Bowie (L)

*[The following text is extremely faint and largely illegible due to fading and bleed-through. It appears to be a series of numbered paragraphs, possibly a list or a set of instructions. Some legible fragments include:]*

1<sup>st</sup> after my decease I wish that my last will and testament should be in full force and effect and that all my debts should be paid and that my estate should be divided equally among my children...

2<sup>nd</sup> I give and bequeath to my daughter Jane M. Bowie the sum of \$1000...

3<sup>rd</sup> I give and bequeath to my son John M. Bowie the sum of \$1000...

4<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath to my daughter Mary M. Bowie the sum of \$1000...

5<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath to my son William M. Bowie the sum of \$1000...

6<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth M. Bowie the sum of \$1000...

7<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath to my son James M. Bowie the sum of \$1000...

8<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath to my daughter Sarah M. Bowie the sum of \$1000...

9<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath to my son George M. Bowie the sum of \$1000...

10<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath to my daughter Anne M. Bowie the sum of \$1000...

11<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath to my son Thomas M. Bowie the sum of \$1000...

12<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath to my daughter Margaret M. Bowie the sum of \$1000...

13<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath to my son Charles M. Bowie the sum of \$1000...

14<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath to my daughter Rebecca M. Bowie the sum of \$1000...

15<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath to my son Philip M. Bowie the sum of \$1000...

16<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth M. Bowie the sum of \$1000...

17<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath to my son James M. Bowie the sum of \$1000...

18<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath to my daughter Sarah M. Bowie the sum of \$1000...

19<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath to my son George M. Bowie the sum of \$1000...

20<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath to my daughter Anne M. Bowie the sum of \$1000...

## WILL OF

[122-3600]

GRIZZELLA WILSON

In the Name of God amen I Grizzella Wilson of Abbeville Dist -  
 rict Being weak in body but of Sound and disposing mind  
 and Memory and Calling to Mind the Uncertainty of life  
 and being desirous to dispose of all Such Worldly Estate  
 as it hath pleased god to bless Me with do Make and ordain  
 this My last Will and testament in the following Manner  
 that is to Say first I Recommend My Soul into the hands of  
 allmighty god who gave it and My body to the Earth to be  
 Buryed in a decent Manner -----

2<sup>nd</sup> After My death I do will and ordain that the land where on  
 I now live be Sold and all My Just debts be paid out of the  
 proceeds and the Remainder to be Equally devided amongst  
 all My Children namely Elijah N. Wilson Nancy C. Richey Ed-  
 ward B. Wilson Jane E. Wilson Lewis J Wilson and Eliza Ann  
 Wilson giving to Each anequeal part ----

3<sup>th</sup> and out of My personal Estate i give and bequeath to My  
 & white  
 Son Lewis J. Wilsin one bamare one Red/ Cow & Calf & one Red  
 & white heffer

4<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath to My Son Edward B. Wilson one bed bed  
 Stead and furnature ----

5<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath to My daughter Jane E. Wilson one bed  
 bed Stead and furnature and one Carding Moshean ----

6<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath to My daughter Eliza Ann Wilson one bed  
 bed Stead and furnature and one Clock ----

and I also give and bequeath to My two daughters Jane E.

and ~~and Eliza Anne Wilson one bahorse~~ and all the Rest of

My Stock of Everyth~~e~~ description not herein disposed of tog-

ether with my present Crop and all the Pest of My property

not disposed of to be Equally devided between them and

lastly I do Constitute and appoint My Son Lewis I. Wilson

My lawful Executor to this My last Will and testament in

testamoney I have hereunto Set My hand and Seal this 29<sup>th</sup>

day of Oct<sup>r</sup> 1847---

in presents of us

James A M<sup>c</sup>Cord

James M Carson

Ja<sup>s</sup> Carson

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 Grizzella X Wilson (Seal)  
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WILL OF

[118-3476]

JANE MORRAH

State of South Carolina

Abbeville District

In the name of God Amen

I Jane Morrah of the State and district aforesaid taking into consideration the uncertainty of my life and being at this time in the enjoyment of usual health and of Mental faculties and also being desirous to make disposition of the Worldly estate wherewith it has pleased God bestow upon Me, do Make this which follows as my last Will and Testament Viz

- Item 1<sup>st</sup>. I desire as soon as possible after My decease that all of my just debts be paid
  - Item 2<sup>nd</sup> I Will and Bequeath to My Four Daughters Viz Sally Barmore Jane Sharpe Eleanor Jones and Mary Murray the Sum of five Dollars each
  - Item 3<sup>rd</sup>. I will and bequeath to my Son John Morrah the Sum of Two Hundred Dollars Should he the John Morrah call for it in twelve Months after My death and Should he Not call for it in that time the Same Two Hundred Dollars is to go to My Son Sameul R. Morrah
  - Item 4<sup>th</sup> I Will bequeath and devise all My lands Negroes Stock Farming utensils Carriage Waggon Money Notes and accounts coming to or due me and in Short all of My property of What -ever kind or description whatsoever it may be with the exception of the bequests above Made to My Three Sons Viz Samuel David and George for each to Share and Share alike and as it Will be Necessary in order to effect this division that My lands and Other property should be Sold I hereby empower My executor hereafter appointed to Sell and Make Sufficient tith to the purchase for Whatever property may be sold
  - Item 5<sup>th</sup> I hereby Nominate Ordain and appoint My Son Samuel R. Morrah Executor of this My last Will and Testament and I Utterly renounce revoke and disallow any and all Other former Wills and Testament by me made ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my true last Will and Testament in Witness Whereof I have hereunto Set My Seal and Subscribed My name this 12th day of June in the year of our Lord One Thousand eight hundred and forty Seven And in the Seventy Second of American Independence
- Signed Sealed published pronou-

nced and declared as the last  
Will and Testament of Jane Morrah  
in the presence of us who at the  
request of the Testator and in her pre-  
sence and the presence of each  
other have subscribed our names  
as Witnesses thereto

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Jane X Morrah (SEAL)  
Mark  
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William Robinson  
George W. Robinson  
James S. Robinson



WILL OF  
JONATHAN JOHNSON

[118-2455]

State of South Carolina }  
Abbeville District } In the name of God Amen I Jonathan Johnson, being of Sound

and disposing Mind and Memory but weak in body And Calling to mind the uncertainty of life And being desirous to dispose of all Sutch Worldly Estate as it has pleased God to bless me with do make and ordain this my last Will in Man - ner following

Viz. 1<sup>st</sup> It is my will that all my Just debts be paid

2<sup>nd</sup> I will and desire that my Grave be surrounded by a hewn rock wall and Covered with a marble Slab. the work to be done in the best manner. and Out. of Good Material

3 I will and bequeath to my wife Mary Johnston the bed bedsted and furnature whitch was hers previous to her last Marriage one Sorrel Mare, and ~~harness~~ buggy and harness 2 Cows and Calves One hundred Bushels of Corn and one thousand pounds of pork Together with all her interest and estate previs to her ~~inter~~ marriage with me Viz. four Slaves Josh Handy Belsey & Ben also all my interest and. estate . in G Lieubeckers. & H Waldrous. Estate in Lew of dower. ----

4<sup>thly</sup> I will and bequeath to my daughter Mary ann Sadler One cow and Calf in addition to sutch Other property as I have furnished her with from time to time since her marriage whit is to be her full portion of my Estate.

5<sup>ly</sup> I will and bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth Gilliam. The following named -slaves. Viz. Agness. William. Aaron and (Sally., whitch is now in her possession ----

6. I will and bequeath to my son John Thomas Johnston the following named slaves Viz. George. Jim Jack Becky Sam Scott and Phebe. also . my house and and tract of land on whitch I now live the line to Commence - at the west Corner. of the of the heard tract. running thince to the North east corner of the heard tract from thence direct to a stake near apost Oak. in a Green thickete whitch was formerly the Corner between the Johnston and Sample tracts. from thence Continuing the Same Line to a Green Corner. standing near the ford of the branch below the old Sample Spring Lands of Thomas R Puckett Land. all the Land lying northwest. of said Line

7. I will and bequeath to my daughter Cornelia Ann Johnston

the following named Slaves Viz Dinah Vina Rose and Yancy ---

8. I will and bequeath to my daughter Silvia Johnston the following named slaves viz. Martha and her two children Henry.

& Sam --Dicy\_ 9<sup>th</sup>. I will and desire that the residue and remainder of my .real estate in this this district be sold on a credit of One and two years by My Executor<sup>s</sup> reserving at the same time the family Grave yard -

Also that portion of My real estate lying and being in the state of Alabama Cherokee County bounded by the rivers. Coosa Chattooga Containing three hundred and Eighty acres.. I authorize my Executor. to sell ~~the~~ the Same at sutch time and in Sutch terms as he may think most advantageous. to My Estate:

10.. I will and desire that my personal estate . not heretofore disposed of shall be sold at sutch time as my Executor may think most advisable to petition the Ordinary - for an order for sale -----

And after paying my just debts Out of the proceeds of Sale of my real and personal. estate I then will and desire the remainder & residue of moneys arrising from the sale of Sutch real and personal estate as I have already devised to be . sold to be equally deveded. between Elizabeth Gilliam- John Thomas Johnston Cornelia Ann Johnston and Selvia Johnston ( my four youngest Children to share and share alike -----

11 And lastly I do constitute and appoint my friend. Downs Calhoun Executor of this my last Will and testament by me heretofore made in testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixd my seal this Twenty Seventh day of Febuary Anno Domini One thousand Eight hundred and forty seven

Signed executed & acknowledged  
before us wh  
before us who subscribed our  
names as witnesses thereto in  
the presents of the testator.

} Jonathan Johnson(LS )

N McCants.

Thomas J Penson

Tho<sup>s</sup> Stuart



WILL OF

[120-2549]

ANDREW JACKSON ROBERTSON

South Carolina } In the name of God Amen  
 Abbeville District } I. Andrew Jackson, Robertson of the  
 State and District aforesaid, being of Sound and disposing mind  
 and memory but Weak in body and Calling to mind the uncertainty  
 of life and being desirous to dispose of all Such Worldly estate  
 as it hath pleas'd God to bless me with do make and ordain this  
 my last will, in Manner following, that is to Say -

1<sup>st</sup> " I Will My body to the ground from whence it came and My Soul  
 to God who gave it -

2<sup>nd</sup> " I Will that all my personal estate of every discription that  
 is not hereinafter named be Sold and all My Just debts and  
 funeral expences be paid out of the proceeds of the Same.  
 and the graves of My Father/and Brother Deceased. with my  
 own and My Mothers be entomb'd out of the proceeds of the  
 Same. and Should there be any overplus it to be equally di-  
 vided betwen my Brother William and Sister Louisia Pratt -

3<sup>d</sup> " I give to My Mother Nancy Robertson. One Negro woman named  
 Nancy and her daughter named Cordelia with their future  
 increase during her natural life and at her death I give  
 the S<sup>d</sup> negroes to Eliza.C? Klough Daughter of Emily Klough  
 Deceased and their future increase to her and the heirs  
 of her body for every but Should She the S<sup>d</sup> Eliza.C.Klough  
 die with out heirs I give the S<sup>d</sup> Negroes above named and  
 their increase to My Brother William and Sister Louisia  
 Pratt and theirheirs for ever. I also give to My Mother  
 five other negroes (Viz) One Negro Woman named Juda and  
 her daughter also named Juda Two Negro men Isaac and Geo-  
 rge and one negro boy Named Washington. and the futu-  
 re increase of the Women above named during her nat -  
 ral life to do as She pleases with. and Shouk She die  
 intestate the Same to be equally divided Between My Broth-  
 er William and Sister Louisia Pratt and their heirs -

4<sup>th</sup> " I give to my Brother William Robertson all My Tract of Land  
 containing Five hundred and Fifty acres more or less Situ-  
 ate in Abbeville District on Turkey creek waters of Saluda  
 River - Joining Lands of William Richey S<sup>d</sup> on the S. and

W.G.M. Mattison on the N. and Robert Smith on the E, and I also give him the following four negroes (viz) one negro mare Named Ned and Three negro Women Grace Easter and Hany and all my Remaining Interest in My Fathers estate and also my Sister Harriets estate that has been Sold and Not Settled it being my interest in Some notes to him and his heirs forever -

5<sup>th</sup> I give to my Sister Louisia Pratt and the heirs of her body the following three negroes (viz) one negro Man named Wesley one named Joseph and one Negro Woman Named Clary and all My Remaining interest in the estate of My Brother A. Robertson Dec<sup>d</sup> and give the above Negroes and the future increase expressly for the use and benefit of Louisia and her bodily heirs for ever Not to be Sold or Transferred in no wise what ever. and I also give to Louisia my interest in the Sale of My Brother A. Robertson estate and also My interest in a certain Tract of Land Known as the Kay Tract of Land. for ever

6<sup>th</sup> and lastly I do constitute and appoint My brother William Robertson My Executor to Execute this My last Will and Testament and I do authorize him to bring to Sale all My personal estate that I have not given away either public or private which ever he may think best to Sell in Market my crop of cotton or other produce and pay all debts that he Knows to be Just with out expense thereon and Settle all Business the same as I could do My Self with our any other orders and fully to Execute and Carry out this My Will by Me here to fore Made. in witness where of I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal this nineth day of October, A. D. 1846

Sign'd Seal'd published  
and declared in presence  
of -

A. Jackson Robertson (Seal)

W.P. Martin

Nimrod Richey

John-R. M<sup>c</sup>Cord



WILL OF

[115-3403]

JOSEPH EAKINS

State of South Carolina)

Abbeville District) In the name of God Amen!

I Joseph Eakins of the above State and District, taking into consideration the uncertainty of this mortal life, and being at this time in the enjoyment of my mental faculties and ordinary health, ( for which I hereby and gratefully thank God) do make and ordain this to be my last Will and testament, in the manner following VIZ

- Item 1st. I will and direct that all my just debts be paid-
- Item 2nd. I will bequeath and devise to my beloved wife Sarah, one half of the plantation whereon I now reside and also the following Negroes viz Osborn, Ben, and Letty and her child Frances, including the future increase of said Letty and Frances, together with one third of the animals on my plantation, and also I will and direct, that whatever Money or notes may be found belonging to me at my decease, shall be put out to interest, (by my Executors,) in safe hands, and said interest to be paid annually to my beloved wife Sarah for her use and benefit, but be it understood that at my beloved wife's decease said Negroes and stock of animals, together with said Money & notes, I direct, and ordain, to be equally divided amongst the following individuals Viz my sons Tho<sup>s</sup>- William, Samuel, and Benjamin, my daughters Eliza-beth, Sally, and Mary, and the children of my son Joseph (Dec<sup>d</sup>.) said children viz Joseph's to receive Joint-ly an equal share with those of my own just named.
- 3rd. I will and bequeath and devise the remaining half of said plantation, to my son Benjamin and also, at the death of his mother, I will bequeath and devise the portion of land above devised to her during her natural life- to my son Benjamin to him and his heirs forever, and I enjoin it on Benjamin at my request and hope that he will be careful and attentive to his mother's comfort and welfare, during the short time that she may sojourn with him, and the reflection of so doing will amply recompense for such care and attention bestowed on his aged parent.

Item 4 I will and bequeath to my son Benjamin the following

negroes, viz Jacob, William, Eliza and her child Louis, together with the increase of said Eliza from this date- and also one third of the animals on my plantation

Item 5 I will and bequeath to my Daughter Sarah the following negroes Viz Alick, Tom, Hulda, and Lucy and the remaining one third of animals on my plantation.

Item 7 In consideration of the peculiar situation of my beloved daughter/ <sup>Sarah</sup> I hereby appoint my sons Thomas and Benjamin, her guardians to manage her interests, and watch over her welfare.

Item 8 I hereby nominate constitute and appoint, my sons Thomas and Benjamin, and my soninlaw George Nickles Executors of this my Last Will and Testament, hereby revoking and annulling, all former Wills and Testaments by me made, ratifying and confirming this to be my last Will and Testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunton subscribed my hand and Seal this 15<sup>th</sup> May in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight Hundred and forty five and in the Sixty ninth year of the Independence of the United States.

Joseph Eakins (SEAL)

The word "Sarah" in the 7th Item interlined before signed Signed sealed Published and declared in the presence of us who have hereunto subscribed our names in the presence of the Testator

Henry B. Nickles

Henry W. Sharp

William C. Nickles

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WILL OF  
MARY GAIN [114-3263]

State of South Carolina }  
Abbeville District } In the name of God amen!

I, Mary Gain, of the State and district aforesaid - being of sound mind, memory & understanding, do make & publish this my last Will and Testament. viz.

If at my death, I should have any debts due me or I should owe any, I desire the same punctually settled on both sides.

I will and desire, at this time, to my granddaughter Mary E. Davis and her issue a negro girl named Phebe, and her issue or increase.

I will at this time unto My granddaughter Mary E. Middleton & her issue a negro girl - name Martha & her increase

I will at this time unto my grandSon John E. Cain a negro boy name Wilson.

After My death, I devise that the remainder of my negroes Consisting of Mary Ann & Jane and their increase Shall be equally divided between my daughters Beersheba A Harris & Margaret B. Moragne & My My Son, Sampson V. Cain.

I devise & will unto my Son Randolph P. Cain the Sum of three Hundred & fifty Dollars, to be paid equally by the Husbands of my daughters Isaac Moragne & D<sup>r</sup> N. Harris & my Son Sampson V Cain into the hands of my Executor, whom I desire to Vest the Same in a negro for the use and Support of the Said Randolph Cain and at his death to be equally divided among his children.

In consequences of my Son William Cain having relinquished his claim for a valuable Consideration I desire that his children may not come in for any portion of my Estate.

Lastly I desire that my old & faithful n<sup>er</sup> an, Ginny, may have a home & maintainance of my children whom She my Sele<sup>ct</sup>

arded as nominally fair.

I do hereby Constitute and appoint **E. Sampson V. Cainh**  
the Executor of this my last Will and Testament.

Witness my hand and Seal this Seventh day of April  
one thousand Eight hundred & forty five -

Signed sealed & published by the  
Testatrix as her last Will & Test-  
ament in our presince, who in her  
presence & in the presence Of  
each other Subscribed ouer names  
as witnesses -----

Many Cain (LS )

Catherine B Moragne

N Harris Moragne

J.M Moragne.M.D.



WILL OF  
LUCY SMITH

[121-3584]

In the name of God --- Amen ! ! !

I Lucy Smith of Abbeville District in the State of South Carolina, now being in sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding, but calling to mind the uncertainty of life, and being desirous of making some disposition of my effects, do make and ordain this to be my last will and testament, hereby revoking all former wills by me heretofore made; Touching the property and affects whereof I may be possessed at the time of my death, I give and dispose thereof as follows, To Wit:

1. I will and direct that all my just debts and funeral expenses be paid.
  2. I discharge and acquit, the administration and executors and the estate of Doctor Isaac G. Teague from all liability to me, or my executors on account of his indorsement of a note given by Joshua Teague to the said Isaac G. Teague and transferred to me.
  3. I give and bequeath to my granddaughter Lucretia Caroline Teague, my large bedstead bed and its clothing and my negro girl Jane, to be delivered up to her under the care of her mother, immediately after my death; but if Jane should die or appear to be diseased or unsound before or at the time of my death, then in lieu of Jane, I give to Lucretia Caroline Teague, six hundred Dollars, to be paid to her or her guardian immediately after my death.
- And if the said Lucretia Caroline Teague should die unmarried and without leaving children, the portion herein given to her, to go to the other children of Lucy White wife of John White.
4. I will and bequeath five hundred dollars to the Edgefield Baptist association to be applied to the use of the said association.
  5. I will and bequeath five hundred dollars to the new bible society formed by the Baptists, to be applied to the said society.
  6. The balance of my estate, property and effects of whatsoever nature or kind the same may be, I give devise and bequeath to

my children to wit; Thomas Smith, John Smith, Robert Smith, Joe Smith, William Smith, Charley Smith, Milly Anderson, wife of George Anderson and Lucy White the wife of John White, to be equally divided amongst them in manner following: I direct that my executors do select from the neighborhood of Stoney Point five freeholders to act as appraisers, and that they immediately after my death cause to be valued all the balance of my visible property and the value thereof to set down:-

My two old negroes Gilbert and Dinah and their children young Gilbert and Henry to be valued in one lot; the appraisers taking care to make whatsoever allowance may be proper on account of the charge of old Gilbert & Dinah; My old woman Sarah & her son Daniel in another lot, making the valuation as above directed- My negro Man Ben to be valued alone; the balance of my property to be valued in whatever amner shall seem best to my executors.

And as soon as practicable, after my death my executors shall render an account of all money which may be due from and upon all and every account; and all money which may be collected by them, which shall be added to the valuation made as aforesaid; and the nett amount of my estate then ascertained and the whole shall be divided into nine parts, and each of my children above named shall take one part; My son Charley Smith to take, in part of his share, the negro man Ben at the appraisalment made as aforesaid-My other negroes to be taken in the lots of appraisalment by my children aforesaid, as my said children may choose and in case they cannot agree which shall take the said negro, the same to be determined by casting lots. If any of my children above named should die before I do, the share or shares intended for them to be taken by his her or their children

7. The property which I may have, and that is not herein specifically bequeathed, I desire should not be sold : but should be taken by my children above named at the valuation in part of their shares

8. I do hereby appoint my son Joel Smith and Charles Smith executors of this will.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this twentieth day of February A. D. 1865

Signed pronounced and declared by Lucy Smith, her  
as her last will and Testament in presence of us Lucy X Smith (SEAL)  
Mark  
Thomas C. Perrin John A. Wier B. P. Hughes



WILL OF  
ROBERT MARTIN

[118-348]

South Carolina )  
Abbeville District )

I Robert Martin being weak in body but  
Sound in Mind doe make this My last Will and testament. first  
it is my will that all My Just debts be paid - after the pay -  
ment of My debts the balance of My property be Kept on the  
plantation on which I now live for the support of My Children  
Subject allways to Such alterations as My Executor whom I Shall  
hereafter name May think best: It is My wish that all My Child -  
ren May Share alike in what May be left. and lastly I Consti -  
tute and apoint David Lesley Sole Executor of this My last Will  
in Witness whereof I have subscribed My hand and Seal in pres -  
ents of these Subscribing Witnesses this first day of September  
in the year of our lord one thousand eight hundred and forty  
seven.

James Taggart  
James Spence  
Jas. F. Gibert

Robert Martin (LS)

## WILL OF

[121-3589]

MARY TOLBERT

In the name of God Amen I Mary Tolbert of the South Carolina and District of Abbeville being weak in Boddy though Sound in mind and memory thanks to God for the Same do Make and Declare this my last will and Testament in the manner and form following (Itam 1<sup>st</sup> I desire my Boddy to be decently Buried at the discretion of my friends and my Soul I commit to my Saviour (Itam 2<sup>nd</sup>) as to my worldly concerns as I have agreed to take an Eaqual part of the Estate of my husband Dan Tolbert, Both real and personal with our children my will is that my Execu - tor Sell all my Property real and Personal being in my hands at the time of my death or coming to me as a part of said Estate of my deceased Husband on a credit of twelvr montha Except one ~~Bad~~ Negro woman Milla & her sucking Child if she has one at the time of my death and pay all my Just debts and Kep the Ballance after all Expences are paid for Seling & collecting the Same at Interest when he can do so without risking the Loss thereof and my desire is that my Daughter Rachal should live with my Daughter Elendar Martin and that the afs.<sup>d</sup> Negro Milla go with her to wait on her and be subject to the controle of Said Ellendar during the lifetime of my Daughter Rachel and at her Decease to be appraised & the valuation put with my Daughter Rachel, s Estate and my desire is that my Executor pay the said Ellendar martin out of the money arrising from the Sale of my Estate for a reasonable recompence for the ment - ainance of my Daughter Rachel & for whatever trouble she may have arising by her Sister Rachel and at the Death of my Daughter Rachel wharever part of my Estate is lift in his hands must be put in as a part of my Daughter Rachels Estate and divid<sup>d</sup> among her Nearest of Kin as the law directs (N5) the Negro woman Milla when appraised I wish to live with the afs.<sup>d</sup> Ellendar Martin if she thinks proper to take her at Valuation if not Let her go to any one of the family that will take her at the appraisment and I hereby Nominate Constitute and appoint my Son in Law Andrew Riley Sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament in witness whereof I hereunto Set my hand and Seal this 19<sup>th</sup> day of February in the Year of our Lord one Thou-



and Eight hundred and forty two and in the Sixty sixth year  
of the Sovereignty and independence of the United State of  
America Signed and Sealed in the presence of

her  
Mary X Tolbert  
mark (LS)

Own Selby  
Thomas Riley Junoir

Tho<sup>s</sup> Riley- Sen.<sup>r</sup>

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WILL OF  
JOSIAH PATTERSON

[119-343]

South Carolina }  
 Abbeville District } In the name of God Amen.

I Isiah Patterson a native of said State and District being far advanced in life deem it expedient to make the following distribution of the property God in his kind providence has placed at my disposal. And (1st) I bequeath to my beloved Spouse Eleanor Patterson my Roan Horse ( or one equivalent in Value) With my Buggy and Harness, Two Beds Bedstead and furniture One Table with such portion of the Household and Kitchen Utensils as she may select.

I also bequeath to her two Cows and Calves and my family Library of Fourteen Volumes I also direct my Executors to pay her annually for Three Years from my decease One hundred Dollars should she survive so long. And also that she have my Negro Boy Billy and my Girl Caroline to be her Servant during her Widowhood or life time Should She prefer the former State; in either event I direct and devise that Billy and Caroline do return and be disposed of as part of my Estate.

As a considerable part of my property consists in Real Estate the above bequeaths are in consideration and lieu of Dower.

I further direct that my Land ~~Land~~ be Sold To the highest Bidder on such credit as my Executors in their discretion may direct The Home Tract which contains after deducting what I sold to Capt Raiford (181) acres and a fraction) five Hundred and eighty<sup>eight</sup>/Acres and a fraction

(2nd) The Bufort & Chalmers Tract containing One hundred and forty nine and 7/10ths Acres in Connection with a Small Tract from John M. Mosely containing Thirteen 8/10 Acres to compose the Second Tract observing however to reserve a passage or high-way through the latter when the Road now turns to intersect the public road at Captain McCallas This to be kept open for the use and benefit of the Home Tract. And I do hereby authorize my Executors or Either of them to Execute Titles to the purchaser in accordance with the above instructions. As it is my desire to bequeath my dear Children as near as may be after the payment of all my Just debts I direct that the following Scale be observed in the distribution ( VIZ) I suppose my Daughter Mary A Campbell, Jane L Cater and Louisa A Hamilton and families



to have recieved from me each Twelve hundred Dollars My Son  
 John A. Patterson One Thousand Dollars. daughter Sarah C Giles,  
 & Sons James C & Josiah B. Patterson to have each recieved Two  
 hundred Dollars. Further, I direct that all my personal property  
 be legally appraised and that Daughter Sarah Giles do receive  
 at the appraisment my Negro Woman Henrietta and her Two children  
 Mary & Alick That Son James C. Patterson receive at appraisment  
 my Negro Man Sam/<sup>and Girl Jane</sup> and that Son Josiah B. Patterson also Receive  
 at the appraisment my Negro Girl Louisa With her boy George ~~togette~~  
~~of~~ ~~with my~~ ~~by~~ ~~James~~ In trust however for the use and benefit  
 of self and family Without the power to transfer. I also direct  
 my faithful Old Servants/<sup>Kit and Judy</sup> have choice among my children with whom  
 to Dwell and that they be well taken Care of while they live.  
 All the balance of my property to be sold at Auction and the pro-  
 ceeds to be equally divided according to the above Scale and I  
 do hereby appoint and nominate mt Beloved and Trusty Sons Andrew  
 Giles and James C. Patterson my lawful Executors of this my last  
 Will and Testament renouncing all others. In the presence of  
 Jas. T. Baskine      Robert Ward      }      Josiah Patterson (SEAL)  
 John M. Moseley   }

This 22<sup>nd</sup> day of August 1846.

South Carolina                         }      Codicil to the within Will  
 Abbeville District                   }      It is My Will that My Son  
    }      Josiah B. Patterson receive at the  
 appraised value Wicy and her son Tom in lieu of Louisa/ <sup>& George</sup> and the  
 Girl Wicy & her Son Tom in trust however for the use of Self  
 and family without the Power to transfer the same. And Louisa  
 and George to be sold by my Executors.  
 In testamony whereof I have hereunto Set My hand and affixed  
 my Seal this 28<sup>th</sup> day of October A. D. 1846. )

Witnesses  
 Tho. Cunningham  
 Nathaniel Norwood  
 John M. Moseley

WILL OF  
SAMUEL YOUNG

[122-3609]

Abbeville District So. Carolina Aug. 31<sup>st</sup> 1846

In the name of God Amen

I Sammel Young of State  
 & District aforesaid, being weak in body, but sound in mind  
 & memory; Make the following distribution of my property.

In the first place I commend my spirit to God who gave it.  
 And my body to be decently interred. I desire my debts which  
 are few to be punctually paid I will and bequeath to my two  
 loving sisters Jane B & Margaret Young. the Plantation of  
 land on which I resideto be equally divided between them  
 should they desire it.

Also all the household and Kitchen Furniture. Also all  
 my stock of horses Cattle & Hogs. All my plantation tools  
 & Also my present growing crop, including all the small grain

I also will and bequeath all my wearing apperal to be dvided  
 among my nephews as equally as can be done. I will and bequeath  
 my Rifle Gun & Shot pouch to John H. Young, and my new Saddle  
 to Samuel Young. I also Will and bequeath all my Notes and  
 papers including monies on hand amounting to near one hundred  
 Dollars to be equally divided between my two loving sisters  
 Jane B. & Margaret Young. I also appoint my faithful friend  
 Dr. Geo. W. Pressley to be executor of this my last Will and  
 testament.

Signed Sealed & declared in presence of )

Witnessess

Samuel Young (LS)

R. A. Martin (LS)

Andrew J. Weir (LS)

W. H. Bradley (LS)



WILL OF

1121-35-85]

ROBERT SMITH

In the Name of God Amen. I Robert Smith being aged and infirm and calling to Mind the Mortality of my body and being of sound and disposing Mind & Memory, thanks be to God for his Mercies. do Make & ordain this my last Will & Testament in Manner & form following to Wit .

Item 1.<sup>st</sup> To my son Robert J. Smith I Give and bequeath all my Real Estate all my house - hold & Kitchen furniture & Plantation tools, horses, Cattle, & Stock of every kind to him his heirs & assigns for Ever. with this exception that my wife Easter have & I hereby give and bequeath unto her a Joint Interest in the Same for and during the term of her Natural life.

Item 2<sup>nd</sup> To My Son William I Give and bequeath My Negro Man Jack to him his heirs & Assigns for Ever.

Item 3.<sup>d</sup> To my Son James I Give and bequeath my negro Man Lewis on conditions that he comes here pusionally to receive the Same, in case he never comes for said Negro. I Give the said Lewis to my Son Jefferson & my wife in in same way Jointly as are express<sup>d</sup> in the 1.<sup>st</sup> Clause of this Will above.

Item 4.<sup>th</sup> To my Son Robert J. I Give & bequeath My . Negroes Dave, Samuel. & boy Peter to him his heirs & Assigns for Ever.

Item 5<sup>th</sup> To my Wife Easter I Give my boy Harrison for & during her Natural life, after her decease I give Said boy to My Son Robert J. his heirs & assigns for Ever.

Item 6.<sup>th</sup> To My daughter Margaret I Give and bequeath my Negro Woman Lynda & her two Children Tyler & Mary to her her heirs & Assigns forever with all their future Issue.

Item 7.<sup>th</sup> To my Wife Easter I Give my negro Woman Rose, after her decease I give & bequeath the said Woman Rose to My Grand daughter Sarah Hogg. her heirs & Assigns for Ever. with her future Issue.

Item 8.<sup>th</sup> To My Grandson John James Oliver I Give twenty dollars, to be p.<sup>d</sup> by my Executors to him.

Item 9.<sup>th</sup> To my daughter Easter Martin I Give Six hundred dollars and in order to assure it to her. I Give the Said Six hundred dollars to my Son Robert Jefferson in Trust neverthe - less for the use & benifit of my daughter Easter aforesaid the

Interest of which to be paid her Yearly for and during her Natural life, after her decease I give the said Money to her child, or children Equally &Share &Share alike. Item 10<sup>th</sup>. It is My will that my Daughter Margaret Continue to live on the Premises &be supported as heretofore without Charges or Expense during her Mothers life time, and to continue after, in case She Wishes So to Do. - Lastly. All the balance or residue of My Estate not before disposed of of What nature or kind-So-ever. I Give &bequeath the Same to My Son Robert Jefferson, out of which I Will that he pay all my debts if any time thus be, &all legacies by Me left & other expenses incident to My Estate, the balance if any to retain to his own use.

And I do hereby appoint by Sons William, &Robert Jefferson Executors of this my last Will &Testament, Revoking & annulling all former Wills by me made. Rattifying & Confirming this &no other to be my last Will &Testament In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this fifteenth day of September In the year of our Lord One thousand Eight hundred & forty six.

Sign<sup>d</sup>. Seal<sup>d</sup> Published & declared by the  
 aforesaid Rob<sup>t</sup> Smith as his last. Will  
 &Testament in our Presence Who in his  
 Dabney Wardlaw  
 his  
 John X Wansley  
 mark  
 A. Hunter

his  
 Rob<sup>t</sup> X Smith (seal)  
 mark

Presence &the Presence of Each other  
 Subscribed our  
 names as witnesses thereunto  
 the day above.



WILL OF

[ 33 - 3562 ]

WILLIAM RICHEY

ABBEVILLE DISTRICT November

the 3rd 1846

In the name of God Amen

I William Richey being afflicted of body but of perfect mind & memory & knowing the uncertainty of life & the certainty of death, do make this my last Will & testament as to what worldley effects it has pleased the disposer of all things to bless me with. To be disposed of in manner & form as follows VIZ

Item 1st I will bequeath & devise to my beloved Wife Elisabeth Richey all that She brought to my residence with her in addition to that two hundred dollars in cash, her choice of one horse, two cows, one bed & bedding, one table, one cupboard one loom with such other household & Kitchen furniture as she may need. Also provisions for one year & as many of the farming implements as she may need. The above to be disposed of as she pleases.

I also bequeath to my Wife the Plantation whereon I now live, Also two Negroes one named Sam the other Lucy with her increase at the decease of my Wife the Land with the Negroe's to be sold & the proceeds thereof to go to my Estate. The

I land to be sold by my Executor.

Item 2<sup>nd</sup> I will and bequeath & devise to my Son William Richey one negro named Isaac-----

Item 3<sup>rd</sup> I will bequeath & devise to my Son Nimrod Richey one negro woman named Sealy ~~her & her increase forever~~

Item 4<sup>th</sup> I will bequeath & devise to my son H. I. Richey one negro woman named Charity & one negro boy named Andrew .

Item 5<sup>th</sup> I will bequeath & devise to my daughter Nancy Hawthorn ninety dollars in cash.

Item 6<sup>th</sup> I will bequeath & devise to my daughter Jane Moseley one negro man named Harry.

Item 7<sup>th</sup> I will bequeath & devise to my daughter Margaret

Mattison one Note of three hundred dollars which Gabriel M. Mattison gave me for a negro girl named Iuda.

Item 8<sup>th</sup> I will bequeath & devise to my Son Robert Richey in addition to the five hundred <sup>dollars</sup> he has received one Negro girl named Margaret.

Item 9<sup>th</sup> I will bequeath & devise to my Son George Richey in addition to the five hundred he has received One Negro boy named Daniel.

Item 10<sup>th</sup> I will that the Negroes I have bequeath to my children be appraised & those obtaining Negroes of the most value to pay to those obtaining Negroes of the least value so as to place all on an equality with each other,

Item 11<sup>th</sup> I will & devise all the ballance & residue of my property to be sold on a credit of twelve months & to be equally divided Share & Share alike between my eight children VIZ Wm. Richey, Robert Richey George Richey Nimrod Richey. H. I. Richey Nancy Hawthorn, Jane Moseley & Margaret Mattison. After paying all just debts & demands. And lastly I do appoint & ordain My Sons Wm. Richey, Nimrod Richey & Gabriel M. Mattison Executors of this my last will. & testament.

Signed Sealed, witnessed & declared in presence of the subscribing witnesses & witnessed in presence of the Testation the day & year above mentioned & the 71<sup>st</sup> ye ar of the Independence of the United States of America

William Richey (LS)

Andrew Dunn

James Stone

Benjamin Owen



WILL OF [119 - 3532]  
JOHN PORTER

South Carolina } The last will and Testament of John  
 Abbeville District } Porter of the State and District above  
 named Considering the uncertainty of this mortal life and be-  
 ing of sound mind (blessed be Almighty God for the same ) do  
 make and publish this my last will and testament in the manner  
 and form following(viz) I give and bequeath to my beloved wife  
 E. D. Porter one sixth part of my estate both real & personal  
 (after the payments of my Debts and my three youngest children  
 (viz) Martha M. Hugh F. and Mary E. have receivd an equal por -  
 tion of Education with my three eldest Daughters or arrangements  
 made for that purpose ) during hir natural life - and at hir  
 death one half to be ewually devided among my living Children  
 or their child or children (should any of them have died leav-  
 ing child or children ) and the other half I will hir at hir  
 Death to will or dispose of as She may think proper..The re -  
 mainder of my estate to be equally devided among / <sup>my</sup> Children  
 (viz) Hester Ann Mary Glover, Catharine Jones, Martha Matilda,  
 Hugh Francis, and Mary Eliz<sup>th</sup> .- Porter and to their Children  
 forever. I will that those who may hereafter be appointed as  
 the Executors of this my last will and testament do sell any  
 surplus property, and cause the devision of the estate to  
 take place as soon as they Can Consistant with / <sup>the</sup> wellbeing of  
 the parties concern<sup>d</sup>. It is my will that my estate be thus de-  
 vided according to the true purport & meaning of the same. And  
 in order the same may be duly Executed I appoint my beloved  
 wife E. D. Porter, D.<sup>r</sup> J.R. Gary, T.W. Williams and Henry Hester  
 my Executors. In witness whereof I have hearunto set my / <sup>hand</sup> &  
 seal this July Eighteen hundred & thirty eight.

Signed Seal<sup>d</sup> and delivered by the Said )  
 John Porter as & for his last will & )  
 testament in the presence of us who ) John Porter (LS)  
 were present at the signing & seal - )  
 ing thereof )

Nath<sup>l</sup> Marion  
 J<sup>as</sup>  
 Shackelford  
 James B. Clanahan

South Carolina }  
 Abbeville District }  
 Jany. 17<sup>th</sup> 1847 . }  
 Whereas My will has been made and  
 signed Many years; since which time  
 one of my Daughters has died, And My p  
 property to same extent has accumulated, I now desire and wish  
 to to Make, ~~to Make~~ an alteration, in Said Will, by adding this  
Codicil to it. (Viz ) That My Only Son Hugh Francis Porter do  
 receive of my estate over and above; any of my Children or Leg-  
 aties to Said Estate a Certain Negro Man, named Tom, a Brick  
Layr, by Trade, and his wife Sharlote, this amt to be, Extra.  
 given under My hand and seal

Signed in presance of  
 John A. Stewart }  
 John Williams  
 Gabriel Hodges

John  
 Porter (LS)



WILL OF

[119-3507]

WILLIAM McALLISTER

State of South Carolina )  
Abbeville Distrit. )

I, William M<sup>c</sup>Allister, being of Sound Sound and disposing Mind & Memory, but in feeble health, do make & ordain this my last Will & Testament.

It is my will that all my Just debts be paid.

I will and bequeath to my beloved wife Matilda Frances the Sum of fifteen hundred Dollars in Cash, to be paid to her as Soon as the Sum can be raised by My Executors from the proceeds of the sale of my property Cash on hand or otherwise - and this legacy of fifteen hundred Dollars is to be in lieu and bar of all right of Dower, or interest what - ever in my Estate real or personal .

My Gold wathh I bequeath to my grand Son Will - iam E. McAllister.

All the rest & residue of my Estate both peal and personal, Consisting of three hundred acres of land more or less, fifteen Slaves, with all their Increase, and all my Stocks of horses Cattle & hogs, Houshold & Kitechen furniture plantation tools, and Cash on hand & debts due me , I will and bequeath to my Son David R. McAllister and my daughter Nancy Fair, to be Equally divided between them, to them & their heirs forever. I appoint my Son David & Archibald Fair the Executors of this my last will.

Declared & Executed, as & for my lasty will, this the Seveteenth day of October A.D. 1846. and in the presence of

J.H.Wilson  
George A.Miller  
Nicholas.H.Miller

}  
}  
}

Wm<sup>c</sup> · McAllister

WILL OF

[17- 34 44]

ELIZABETH HUNTER

South Carolina        ) In the Name of god amen  
 Abbeville District ) I Elizabeth Hunter of said State and Dis-  
 trict being of a sound and disposing mind and memory and call -  
 ing to mind the uncertainty of life and being desirous to dis-  
 pose of all such worldly estate as it hath pleased god to bless  
 me with do make and ordain this my last will in manner follow -  
 ing that is to say

1<sup>st</sup>) I desire that all my personal property be immediately sold  
 after my decease and out of the moneys arising there from all  
 my Just debts and funeral expences be paid

2<sup>nd</sup>) I give to my daughter Pollyann Porterfield and to my son  
 William Washington Hunter all my Land Estate Consisting of one  
 half of the plantation known by the name of the Vickory Land  
 Containing Three Hundred and three Acres more or less bounded  
 on the North by lands belonging to David, McClain on the West  
 by M Burdett on the south by land belonging to John Bradly  
 on the East by land belonging to Kitty McCombs lying in Abbe -  
 ville District south Carolina on watter of Longicain - Creek -  
 the one half of the above tract of land I give to the above  
 named Pollyann Porterfield and William.W. Hunter to be eaqual-  
 ly devided betwn them to them and their heirs forever

And lastly I do constitute and apoint my neighbour John Kenne -  
 dy Executor of this my last will and testament By me heretofore  
 made in testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed  
 my seal this thirtieth day of August one thousand Eight Hundred  
 & thirty nine and in the sixty fourth year of American Indepen-  
 dence

Signed sealed published and declared to be the last will and  
 testament of the above named Elizabeth Hunter in presence of us

John Faulkner        )  
 KKitty McComb        )  
 John Kennedy         )

Elizabeth X Hunter (LS)



WILL OF [157-342]  
VINCENT GRIFFIN

I, Vincent Griffin, of the State of South Carolina and District of Abbeville, being of sound mind and disposing memory, knowing the certainty of Death.

Do, make and Ordain, this my last Will and Testament revoking all Others.

- First I recommend my Soul to God, who gave it, and my Body to the Earth, hoping for redemption through the Merits of Jesus Christ-
- 2<sup>nd</sup> It is my wish to be decently buried ( At The Grave-Yard At Nathan Lipscomb's old place) by the side of my first Wife and that a Tomb-or head-Stone be placed at each one of our graves, with birth, age, and Death, of each inscribed on the Stones,-----
- 3<sup>rd</sup> It is my Will that my just debts, be all paid.
- 4<sup>th</sup> At my Death I give to my Daughters, Frances, E. Williams, Lucinda S. Crosier, and Sarah-ann Borders, the following Negroes to be valued, by disinterested Men, to wit, Charles, William, Ephriam, Charlotte, Jerry, Mansey, Dinah, Milly, Elisa, Sidneyanne, and Sam, to be equally divided among them On the Condition that each one of them pays to my Executors, One fourth of the valuation of said Negroes, in Money to return to my estate, to be disposed of hereafter---
- Noe in case of the Death of either of my Daughters leaving no Children, or issue of their Bodies, then The part, or parts, of Said Negroes, Shall, be equally divided, among the survivors of these my above named Daughters.
- 5<sup>th</sup> - It is my Will that the Money, paid into my Estate by My Daughters, being the One fourth of Valuation of the Negroes given to them. be put to interest Safely untill My Grand-Son James Edwards, arrives at the age of Twenty One years then the Same, principal and interest be given to my above named, grandson, James, Edwards,
- 6<sup>th</sup> It is my Will, that the Plantation, on which, I live, Also the Tract of Land, lying near Cambridge, Known, as the Bostwick Tract together with the Tract of Land known as the Dr. Edwards Tract With all the Stock, Horses, Mules, Waggons, Carts, and all the other Farming Utensils, with, Corn, Fodder, Oats, Wheat, Etc. With all the Household and Kitchen, furniture, and all other Things appertaining to the Same, be and remain, in possession of my Wife Agnes W Griffin and my Sons, Namely, John Leonard

Griffin, James Monroe Griffin, Vincent Griffin, George White Griffin, and Thomas Joseph Griffin, together with the following Negroes, to Wit, Joe, Henry, Jackson, Martha, Robert, Harry, Margaret, Liddy, Harry, Murphy, Rose, Matlida, Harriet, Nelly Dick, Sally, Ben Maria, Julia, Clarisa, Alexander, Dilsey, Bill, Sylvia, Washington, Mose, Amanda, Edgar and Hannah, all of which Negroes, and Lands, I give to my Wife and my five Sons, as above named, for their maintainance and Education.

7<sup>th</sup> - It is my Will that as my Son's arrive at the age of twenty One years, that all the personal property. Negroes &c be valued by disinterested Men, and each recieve an equal portion, One Equal portion being given to my Wife Agnes W. Griffin, in fee Simple. Thus always constituting my Wife Agnes W. Griffin, equal With my above named Sons.

8<sup>th</sup> - In case any of my above named Sons should die leaving no Wife or child or of None age, then his or their portion to be equally among the surviving brothers.

9<sup>th</sup> - I give unto my Wife Agnes W Griffin My Carriage and also my Buggy, for the use of My Wife and My Son's.

10<sup>th</sup> - In case any of the Negroes Should become unmanagable it is my Will My Executors, Shall at their descretion have power to sell said Negroes, and invest the Money in other property for the benefit of the Common Estate.

11<sup>th</sup> - It is my will that if at any-time my Executors should deem it of advantage to the Estate to sell off the Boswick Land and put the proceeds at interest, or Vest it, in other property they are herein empowered and authorised to do so.

12<sup>th</sup> - It is my Will, that my Sons above named, shall have given to them a good and thorough English Education to be paid for out of the proceeds of the Farm, My Executors Making each One as equal in Education, as the natures of their minds will permit---

13<sup>th</sup> - I give to my Son John L. Griffin a Negro Boy named Willis-

14<sup>th</sup> - I give to my son James M. Griffin a Negro Boy Named Daniel.

15<sup>th</sup> - I give to my Son Vincent Griffin A negro Boy Named Richard-

16<sup>th</sup> - I give to my Son George W. Griffin a negro Boy to be bought as hereafter Specefied---

17<sup>th</sup> - I give to my Son Thomas I. Griffin a Negro Boy Named Wiley---

18<sup>th</sup> - I also give to My Wife Agnes W. Griffin A negro Girl Named



Lucinda-----

- 19<sup>th</sup> - It is my Will that if my Wife Agnes W. Griffin should Die, before my youngest child becomes of age then my Executors shall make what disposition of my real Estate and personal property except the Negroes, they may think Most Conduive to my children's interest
- 20<sup>th</sup> - It is my Will that the Negroes given to my Sons as above remain On the plantation, for the Mutual benefit of all, till they arrive of age---
- 21<sup>st</sup> - It is my Will that the proceeds of Crop of Cotton Wheat &c together With Any Monies or Notes I May be in possession of after my debts are all paid, shall be vested in property. if my Executors, thinks it best to do So-----
- 22<sup>nd</sup> - It is my Will that in case My Wife Agnes W. Griffin should marry again, then my Executors Shall sell all my real Estate and personal property, excepting the Negroes and equal divide the proceeds between My Wife Agnes W. Griffin And my five Sons afore named----
- 23<sup>rd</sup> - I do hereby appoint and constitute My Wife Agnes W. Griffin, Executrix, and Guardain, of my Sons, Also John White and my brother James Griffin My Executors & Guardians of My Sons
- 24<sup>th</sup> - I do hereby declare this My last Will & Testament in Witness whereof I have this day Set My hand & Seal December the Eighth the Year of Our Lord, One Thousand and Eight Hundred And Forty Six, and of Americain Independenece the Seventy first  
Signed Sealed and Acknowledged  
in presence of us-
- John P. Barratt  
Jas F. Watson  
S B Marshall
- Vincent Griffin, IS

CODICIL

Whereas I Vincent Griffin of the State of South Carolina and District of Abbeville, have duly Made and Executed my last Will, and Testament, leaving date Eighth Day of december Eighteen Hundred and forty Six and I do hereby Make and Ordain this Codicil, to my Said Will

st  
1 -

I give to my Son George White Griffin A Negro Boy Winston, as the One provided in my Will to be bought

nd  
2 -

I give to my Wife Agnes W. Griffin, and my five Sons, to Wit, John L. Griffin, James M. Griffin, Vincent Griffin George W. Griffin and Thomas I. Griffin the following Negroes Dick, Gastha, Betsy, Abraham----

for their better manenance, and Education, and subject to the Same division and distribution as the property which I have given to my Wife and Sons in my Will

And I do ordain and declare this present writing to be a Codicil, to my Said Will, and that Same shall be annexed thereto, and taken as part whereof and do confirm my said Will, in every particular, that is not herein fulfilled, in Witness whereof I have to this Codicil Set my hand and Seal this Sixteenth Day of December in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and forty Six.

Signed Sealed and declared & published

by the Said Vincent Griffin

as and for a Codicil

to be annexed to his

Vincent Griffin LS

last Will & Testament

and to be taken as part

whereof in presence of as

Test.

Jas F. Watson

John P. Barratt

Elizabeth A Foshee



WILL OF [115-3365]  
JOHN CALVERT

The State of South Carolina

I John Calvert of Abbeville District in the State aforesaid being in ordinary health and of sound disposing mind and memory do make and ordain this as my last will and Testament.

Viz.

- 1<sup>st</sup> I direct my executors herein after named to pay all my just debts as soon after my death as may be practicable
- 2 I give and bequeath to my daughter Frances E Archer the Negroes Harriet, Eveline, Ned, Joe, and Louisa with a bed and furniture to her and the heirs of her body for ever.
- 3 I give and bequeath to my grand son William Hill the negroes Alfred Summer Butler and Hensor with a bed and furniture together with Three Hundred Acres of land including my dwelling house and the improvements thereto attached. to him and his heirs forever.
- 4<sup>th</sup> My will is that the remainder of my lands Supposed to be about Three hundred and Sixty acres be equally divided between my daughter Frances E Archer and the children of my Son James R. Calvert- to them and their heirs for ever- H.B. My Will is further as it respects my lands that three dis interested persons be appointed by the Court of ordinary for the District in which the premises lie. to go upon the lands and point out such lines of demarkation according to the quantity specified taking into view Situation and timbered lands as may be <sup>best</sup> suited to the interests of all concerned -
- 5 I give and bequeath to the children of my son Jesse Calvert dec<sup>d</sup> The sum of twelve hundred dollars to be paid in annual instalments two hundred dollars per year to be equally divided among them the first instalment to be paid one year after my decease The monies to be equally apportioned among the Shares of James M Calvert Frances Archer and William Hill and by them to be paid. This legacy to the children of Jesse Calvert dec<sup>d</sup> to them and their heirs forever - It is my will that the above Mentioned Twelve hundred dollars paid as above Specified is all that the family of my son Jesse Calvert dec<sup>d</sup> is to receive out of my estate
- 6<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath to the heirs of my daughter Lizzy Davis

<sup>dec<sup>d</sup></sup>  
 / the Sum of five dollars Also to the heirs of my daughter Pu-  
<sup>dec<sup>d</sup></sup>  
 cy Spillers / the Sum of five dollars Also to the heirs of my  
 son Mason Calvert <sup>dec<sup>d</sup></sup>. The sum of five dollars And to the  
 heirs of my daughter Lydia Wardlaw <sup>dec<sup>d</sup></sup>. The Sum of five doll -  
 ars - The above to them and their heirs forever - The above to  
 be considered as the Whole amount of <sup>legacies</sup> / coming out of my estate  
 to the four families last mentioned

<sup>7<sup>th</sup></sup> I will and bequeath to my daughter Milley Patterson the Sum  
 of Five hundred dollars to her and her heirs forever - The a-  
 bove to be considered all that is to go out of my estate to  
 the last Mentioned branch of my family -

8 I give devise and bequeath to William Hill my grandson and Ro-  
 bert A Archer my executors herein after named. Under the trusts  
 herein after set forth the Negroes Charles Sarah Anaca and Edy  
<sup>J<sup>r</sup></sup> with their future increase Also an equal Share of the rest  
 and residue of my estate which may remain for final distribu -  
 tion at the settlement of my estate upon my decease - To be h  
 held by them or the Survivor of them and their heirs or Success-  
 ors, in trust for the use of my son James M Calvert they permit-  
 ting to use possess and enjoy the same as fully and freely as  
 if the same were given to hem absolutely but not to be at his  
 disposal or liable to Seizure for his debts or Contracts and af-  
 ter the death of my said son James M Calvert. I give devise and  
 bequeath all the afore aforesaid property with the lands already  
 Specified to her children to them and their heirs forever dis -  
 charged of the trust. As it respects the above Mentioned the  
 Trustees may require bond and Security of the Said James .M Cal-  
 vert for the forthcoming of the aforementioned property as put  
 into his hands So as to make the trustees safe in the deposit.

9 It is my Will that ~~at~~ my death all my negroes (not already will  
 ed away or the increase of those already named to my legatees  
 the increase going with the original bequeast ) with all my per-  
 sonal property of every description be sold - and after paying  
 off all Specified bequeasts - be Mated and equally divided be -  
 tween my daughter Frances E Archer my grand son William Hill  
 and the Trustees of my son James M Calvert Making in all three  
 Shares - To be paid over to the respective legatees according  
 to the Specifications above Mentioned

10. I nominate and appoint my grand Son William Hill and sonin -



law D Robert A Archer executors of this my last Will and test-  
ament hereby revoking annulling and disallowing all former  
Wills by me Made and declaring and establishing this to be my  
last Will and testament - Witness my hand and seal this twen -  
tieth day of August one thousand eight hundred and forty Six -

Signed Sealed published & delivered  
by the testator as and for his last  
Will & Testament in our presence Who  
have Subscribed as Witnesses thereof  
in presence of each other and in pres-  
ence of the testator

His  
John X Calvert (LS)  
mark

Interlined-Second page sixteenth line from top-word "legacies "

B.M.Stewart

W.T.Robertson

Hugh Dickson

WILL OF [114-3360]  
SARAH E. CHILDS

The State of South Carolina }  
Abbeville District }

I, Sarah E. Childs do

make the following disposition of my property, to take effect after my death, as my last will and testament. All the estate both real and personal which I may be entitled to, either under my late husband's will or in any other way, I give to my son William Child, to be enjoyed by him during life; but should he die without leaving issue, it is my will that one half thereof go to my next of kin according to the act of distribution of intestate estates; the other half to go to his widow in case he should leave one, if not, in that case it is my wish that the whole estate go to my next of kin according to the aforesaid act of distributions.

Signed and sealed in the presence of us by Mrs. Sarah E. Child as her last & testament

Sarah E Child (L S )

7th. March 1846  
Elizabeth Todd  
James A. Pope  
James H Wilson



WILL OF [113-3342]

DAVID BRACKENRIDGE

South Carolina Abbeville District

I David Brackeridge Considering the uncertainty of human life - and being of sound mind and memory do make this my last will and testament, To wit,

first- I Resign my soul to God who gave it . hoping for a Remission of my sins in the mediation of his son Jesus Christ  
second--I wish my body decently buried at the discretion of my Executor herein after mentioned

Item- I wish all my Just and lawful debts paid- To this end my Will is, that my Executor hereinafter named sell or cause to be sold a Tract of land in the state and district aforesaid Containing one Hundred & seventy acres more or less, on which I formerly lived...

Item - I give and bequeath unto my nephew Adam Jackson M<sup>c</sup>Kee son of my sister Elenor one fourth part of my Real Estate allowing him to pay all my lawful debts out of the s<sup>d</sup> Tract of land

Item- My will is that the other threefourths be equally divided between My sister Elenor M<sup>c</sup>Kee, the Lawful bodily heirs of my ded<sup>ed</sup> sister Elizabeth Baily, also the lawful Bodily heirs of my sister Jane Smith decease<sup>d</sup> -

lastly I do hereby Appoint my nephew Adam Jackson M<sup>c</sup>Kee- Sole Executor of this my last will, hereby Revoking all former wille- in witness whereof I set to my hand and seal this fourth day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred & Forty sixth -

In presence of us  
A.C.Hawthorne  
Richard P Bowie  
Rhod. Bowie

}  
David Brackenridge (L.S.)

WILL OF [119-3511]  
ROBERT MORE

South carolina Abbeville District in the Name of God Amen I  
Robert More of Said State and District Being Sound in mind and  
Memory and Calling to mind the Certainty of Death and the un-  
certainty of Life Do make this my Last will and testament in M  
Manner following My will is that after my Death I wish all my  
Just Debts paid out of the proceeds of my Estate and also I  
give to my Son A J More his chois of all my Negroes after my  
Death then my Will is that all my Estate to be Sold by my  
Ezecutors herein mentioned Real & Personal and the proceeds  
Eaqually Divided Share & Share alike Between ~~me~~ my Son William  
William More John More & A J More and my Daughters thusday  
Graham Mahaly Williamson & my Daughter Nancy thomson and all  
her interest in my Estate I Leave in the hand of E Barme in  
tust to Recvd it as she Stands in need of it for her Support  
to Raise her children and at her Death if any thing Left to go  
to her children ulrcer litentine Jas. A & Margaret Elenden  
thomson that Being all the children that She has Bolen Thomson  
and Lastly I nominate my Son A J More Marshal Sharp & Enoch  
Barmore my Lawful Ezecutors in witness I here Set my hand & Seal  
this 23rd of July 1846 test

his  
Robert More (L S)  
mark

Wm Barmore  
Samuel Agnew Sen\_  
J. L. Sims



## WILL OF

[155-3376]

MAJ: JOHN CHILDS

South Carolina        )  
                          )  
Abbeville District) In the name of God Amen ! ! !

I John Childs of the Distrot of Abbeville in the State of South Carolina, being of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding, but old and weak in body & calling to mind that I must soon die, do make and ordain this to be my last will and testament.

- 1 I will that all my just debts be paid & for this purpose I Authorize my Executor hereinafter appointed to sell such of my personal property as my wife may point out and consent to, as may be necessary for that purpose. I confirm all former gifts.
- 2 The balance of my property both real and personal I give to my Wife Elizabeth, for and during her natural life or widowhood, without any right on her part to sell or otherwise dispose of the same or any part thereof, subject to the support, maintenance and education of all my children by her, as well, those now borne, as such as may hereafter be born that is to say, that my said wife shall support, main-tain and educate my said children with the crop and proceeds of said property, and the balance if any to have to her own use & disposal: But if my said wife should marry agin, I then give her for and during her natural life the house & land on which we now reside and eight negroes of her own choice; and the balance of the property to be managed by my executor by either hiring out my negroes & renting the land or working the negors on my quarter plantation, until my children come of age or marry, that is to say my children by my said wife: and my will is that theyhave their portion or share laid off to them as they come of age or marry, as near as can then be ascertained.
- 3 At the death of my said wife I give to my Son James five hundred dollars, to my daughter Ann( now the wife of John W. Hearst) five hundred dollars, and to my Stepson Wm. P. Sullivan five hundred dollars, but if either of the above named persons should die without leaving children, the said sum of money in such case to be paid back to my estate & equally divided amongst all my children. but if they should die leaving children then the

said sum of money to be paid to the children respectively;-  
 And the balance of my property of any discription with the  
 increase of the negroes, which I have given to my wife for  
 life as aforesaid I will devise and bequeath to my children  
 by my wife Elizabeth as well those now born, as those that  
 may hereafter be born to them their heirs and assigns forever  
 Share and share alike equally to be divided by five freeholders  
 to be chosen by my executors or by sale & a divission of the  
 proceeds as to my Executors shall seem proper. My Executor  
 being at liberty to sell as much of the said property as will  
 raise the said sum of five hundred dollars above given off,  
 if it should be necessary.

4 I do hereby appoint Thomas Chiles Perrin Executor of  
 this my last will and testament

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal  
 this 22 Nov 1843

Signed Sealed & acknowledged  
 as and for his last will & testament  
 in our presence  
 Jno Cothran  
 Thomas W. Chiles  
 William O. Quinn

} John Chiles (SEAL)  
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 }



WILL OF [116 - 3434]  
GEORGE HOLLOWAY

South Carolina            )  
 Abbeville District        )    In the name of God Amen.---

I, George Holloway of the State and District aforesaid Planter, being of sound and disposing mind and memory but weak in body and mindful of the uncertainty of life and being desirous of making disposition of all the worldly estate as it has pleased God to bless me with do make and ordain this my last will and Testament in manner following, to wit;

Item 1. I will and desire that all my just debts to be paid.

Item 2. I will and bequeath to my dearly beloved wife Rebecca after the payment of my just debts all my estate both real and personal during her natural life

Item 3. I will and bequeath at the death of my dearly beloved wife Rebecca to John Pool my nephew the following named Slaves to wit Bill, Willy, West, Jim, July, and Ned also two Horses and two cows and calves - Provided that this bequest as before Said to take place only after the death of my dear wife as aforesaid and provided further that if my nephew the Said John Pool Should at his death leave no living child or children then and in that case it is my will that the aforesaid Slaves named in this item Shall revert to my estate and be subject to the distribution provided for the residue and remainder of my estate.

Item 4th. It is my will and desire that at the death of my dearly beloved wife Rebecca- all my estate both Real and Personal not otherwise disposed of by the provisions of my will hereinbefore made, be sold in the following manner, to wit. I Particularly enjoin it on my executors to sell in families and in no other the negroes of my estate---but the balance of the property as they may think best.

Item 5th. I will and bequeath at the death of my dearly beloved wife Rebecca all the residue and remainder of my Estate both Real and Personal unto Rev<sup>ds</sup> William M. Wightman, N Henry Bass, N Talley, H Spain James Danully, H A C Wal-

ker Jas H Wheeler - Mat. J. Williams C.S Beard and T R Gary Trustees of the South Carolina Conference School at Cokesbury Abbeville District S.C. and their successors in office as a Fund in Trust for the following Specific use or uses Viz. That the entire interest accruing from the principal fund aforesaid be appropriated annually to the education at the Cokesbury School aforesaid free of all charges for Board & Tuition the sons of Methodist Preachers who may have died in the traveling Ministry of the South Carolina Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church South-<sup>leaving no Sufficient means for the education of their children</sup> the number of such children to be determined by the Trustees of the Said Cokesbury School-the particular individuals be selected by the South Carolina Conference aforesaid - And if the number of such orphan children of deceased Methodist Preachers as aforesaid should not be found then and in that case the children of living Methodist Preachers of the South Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church South in like manner destitute of sufficient means to Educate their children - be selected as aforesaid.--- Provided that if the Said Conference School at Cokesbury should at any future time be dissolved the fund herein mentioned to go to the Said South Carolina Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church South in Trust for the uses and benefits herein Specified.

Item 6th.- It is my will and desire that none of the books and pamphlets constituting my library should be considered as embraced in any of the foregoing provisions of this my will- but I do bequeath the same at the death of my dearly beloved wife Rebecca to my beloved friend Rev John Carlisle now a traveling Member of the S.C. Annual Conference.

Item 7. I do constitute and appoint my Said wife Rebecca Executrix and My friends Rev H A C Walker and Doctor Ephraim Calhoun Executors of this my last Will and Testament - In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this the third day of August Anno Domini one Thousand Eight Hundred and forty six. -



The words "Leaving no sufficient means for the education of their children " were interlined before signed

Signed Sealed published and declared

in the presence of,

George Holloway (Seal)

F G Thomas

Joel W Townsend

Jno R Tarrant

EILL OF

[113-3350]

JAMES BLACK

South Carolina }  
Abbeville District }

I James Black of the State and District aforesaid, being in the possession of my mental faculties, mindful of the uncertainty of life, and willing to make disposition of the worldly goods with which Providence has blessed me, do by these presents make the following declaration of mt Will. \_\_\_\_\_

- Item 1. I bequeath my <sup>body</sup> / to decent burial, and my Spirit to the God who gave it. \_\_\_\_\_
- Item 2: I bequeath to my oldest son David Black, my negroe girl Amanda and her increase. \_\_\_\_\_
- Item 3. I bequeath to the children of my deceased son William B. Black, my negroe man Silas with the understanding that the said Silas is to be hired out yearly by my Executors, and the proceeds of his hire to be used for the education and support of the four youngest children, till the youngest child is educated or marries; at which time, (or sooner if my Executor thinks proper,) the Said Silas is to be sold, and the amount arising from the sale of him to be equally divided among all of the children. \_\_\_\_\_
- Item 4. I bequeath to my son James R. Black, my negroe boy Henry. \_\_\_\_\_
- Item 5. I bequeath to my daughter Maria Black, one negroe boy named Kitt, and one negroe girl named Faney or Frances and her increase. \_\_\_\_\_
- Item 6. To my son John Black, who is not of sound mind, and is not capable of appreciating or taking care of property; and who is now provided with a permanent and comfortable home in the Lunatic Assylum of this State, I bequeath my love, affection and blessing; and commend him, Soul and body, to the mercy and protection of his Heavenly Father. \_\_\_\_\_
- Item 7. To the Commissioners of the poor of Abbeville District, I bequeath the sum of two hundred dollars, as a memento of my gratitude for their having taken under their care, and sent to the Lunatic Assylum of this State, my unfortunate son John Black. \_\_\_\_\_



Item 8 All my property real and personal, not heretofore specified and disposed of, I Will to be sold; and from the proceeds arising from said sale, after the payment of all my just debts and the bequeath mentioned in the seventh item of this my last Will, I bequeath to my daughter Maria Black, the sum of five hundred and thirty <sup>d</sup> dollars; and I further Will, and desire the ballance to be equally divided between my sons David Black, James R. Black and the children of my deceased son William B. Black. \_\_\_\_\_ That part that may fall to the children of my deceased son William B. Black, to be held and disposed of, as the negroe man Silas, mentioned in the third item of this my last Will. \_\_\_\_\_ Provided however that my Executor may ( if he chooses ) pay over to the two oldest children their part of the residue Legacy as they become of age, or sooner if she thinks proper to do so. \_\_\_\_\_

Item 9. Bestowing special trust and confidence in the integrity of my worthy friend Thomas W. Williams, I hereby nominate, constitute and appoint, and by these presents do nominate, constitute and appoint the said Thomas W. Williams my Executor, to carry into effect after my decease, this my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all others. \_\_\_\_\_

In Testimony whereof, I have hereunto affixed my hand and seal, this the Twenty 7<sup>th</sup> December one thousand eight hundred and forty four. \_\_\_\_\_

The word "body" on the ninth }  
 line of the first page inter- } James Black (Seal)  
 lined before signed }

In presence of \_\_\_\_\_  
 Arch<sup>c</sup>. Arnold  
 J. H. Beacham  
 Thos. R. Gray

\_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

WILL OF  
JOSHUA MITCHUM

[118-3505]

S<sup>c</sup> Carolina }  
Abbeville Dis.<sup>t</sup> }

In the name of God Amen! I Joshua Mitchum being sick and weak in body but of sound mind and disposing memory do make this my last will and testament for the distribution of my estate both real and personal in manner and form following, Viz, In the first place I wish to exempt from sale or division the following family of negroes namely, Biddy about forty years of age, Henry about twenty five years of age, Jess about twenty seven years of age and Liza about twenty two years of age and it is further my will and desire that my brother James Mitchum take the above named negroes under his charge and act as their guardian and to do all things in relation to them as he may think best.

- Item 2<sup>nd</sup> I Will and bequeath unto my brother James Mitchum one third of my estate both real and personal
- Item 3<sup>rd</sup> I will and bequeathe unto my Sister Margaret/one third of my estate both real and personal( that is an equal share with her brother ) for her own<sup>Jones</sup>seperate use and benefit during during her life and at her death to be equally divided between the heirs of her brother James Mitchum and the heirs of her Sister Lanham
- Item 4 . I will and bequeath likewise one third of my estate to my Seter Martha Lenham both real and personal (That is an equal Share with her brother & Sister.)
- Item 5. It is my will and desire that my brother James Mitchum shall act as my Executor to carry the foregoing will into effect with the power to sell all or part of the property both real and personal or any part thereof if he thinks beat to do so, or if he shooses to divide the Estate without Sale by appointing three or five commissioners for the purpose

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 5<sup>th</sup> day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty Six in the presence of th Witnesses

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with the name Jones before signing

A. B. Arnold  
A. W. Lynch  
S Q Wilams

Joshua Mitchum (L S )



WILL OF  
WILLIAM WIRE

[13-5566]

LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF WILLIAM WIRE

In the name of God Amen\*

I William Wire planter in the State of South Carolina, Abbeville District being weak of body but of Sound mind and memory do make and constitute this as my last will and testament as follows-- First I desire that all my just debts and contracts may be discharged.

Secondly I leave and bequeath to my loving sister Anne Smith the tract of land whereon she now lives Containing one hundred and twenty acres more or less during her natural life time, or during the time she may wish to reside thereon allowing her the privilege to sell or dispose of the same at her decease or removal as she may think proper--

Secondly I leave and bequeath to my loving wife Sarah Wire the tract of land whereon I now live also a small tract of land adjoining, known as a purchase made from my brother Robert, also the entire stock of horses, cows hogs and sheep also the entire household and kitchen furniture, also my waggon and plantation tools, Also the ballance of whatever property I may be seized or possessed of at my decease.

I wish my Executrix to sell and dispose of a tract of land my property known as the Speer creek tract Containing one hundred and eighteen acres more or less. I leave a discretional power in my executrix to sell and dispose of such articles or articles as she may think proper to dispense with the use of, the product of such sale or sales to be applied for her benefit and use of my children I nominate and appoint my loving wife Sarah Wire my Executrix to execute this my last Will and testament signed with my seal this 2 of June 1845

In presence of Thos Hodge

Wm. Wire (SEAL)

Albert Johnson

James Wire

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WILL OF

[194-3905]

THOMAS STALLWORTH

In the name of God Amen I Thomas Stallworth of the District of Edgefield and State of South Carolina being in an infirm state of health but in perfect mind and memory do make ordain and establish this my last will and testament in the following manner First My Negro Man Nelson shall be sold on a credit of twelve months Secondly To James Leonard Sales four hundred Dollars with interest from my death but should he die before he arrives at the age of twenty one, My Executors shall take care of the money and apply it in the manner laid down below Thirdly The balance that I have in possession at my death after the four hundred Dollars above mentioned and all my debts are paid is to be applied as follows My Executors shall buy for Martha Elizabeth Sales and her bodily heirs a young Negro Woman and such other property as they think best for the family Fourthly Should James Leonard Sales die before he arrives at the age of twenty one the above mentioned four hundred Dollars with interest shall be used in a manner that my Executors may think best for the benefit of Martha Elizabeth Sales and her bodily heirs Fifthly Should Martha Elizabeth Sales die and leave no bodily heirs Benjamin Sales husband of Martha Elizabeth Sales shall have one half of my estate Amon Stallworth or his bodily heirs shall have one third of the balance and Ann Holloway Thomas Henderson Nathaniel Henderson Elizabeth Tolbert Eleanor Sake or their bodily heirs an equal share of the balance Sixthly I do hereby ordain and appoint my Brother Amon Stallworth and Nathaniel Henderson Executors of this my last will an testament ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last will and testament signed sealed proclaimed and declared by said testator as his last will and testament in the presance of in witness whereof I hereunto set my hand and seal this the twenty first day of March one thousand eight hundred and forty six

Tho<sup>s</sup> SakeTho<sup>s</sup> Stallworth (L.s)

James Eathridge

his  
Tho. X Ramsey  
mark

Russel Vaughan