WILL OF [14-291]

WILLIAM H. BARR

The State of South Carolina.

In the name of God - Amen!

I William H. Barr of Abbeville District & State aforesaid, Minister of the Gospel, being weak and feeble in body , but of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding, do make and ordain this tobe my last will and testament;

1 My Will & desire is that all My just debts be paid.

2. I desire as soon as may be convenient that My land whereon I now live, being composed of Several small tracts, be divided by running a line as follows: beginning at the white oak corner near the branch next to John Weirs land, thence North along the line between My land and lands formerly owned by George Bowie, to the next corner, thence in a straight direction with the line aforesaid to the old ditch, near the house, thence along the old to the creek; and as I consider it my desirable that my son William should remain with his mother I give devise & bequeath all that tract or parcel of land lying on the West side of the said line, to my said Son William and his heirs &assigns forever : All that parcel or tract of land lying east of the said line being the part upon which My buildings are situate I will and desire as a home for my Wife Rebecca Barr & my two Daughters Margaret and Elizabeth, so long as my said wife Rebecca Shall remain a Widow or shall live, but if my said wife should Marry then and also in case of her death the same tobe reserved as a home for my two daughters so long as they shall remain Single, but if they Marry ~~then~~ so long as either should remain single the same tobe reserved as a home for such single one - And at the death or Marriage of my said wife and the death or Marriage of My Said daughters then I give devise and bequeath the said tract of land lying east of the line aforesaid tomy son William his heirs & assigns for ever, he paying to each of my other children one hundred &fifty dollars.

3 I give and bequeath tomy wife Rebecca My Negroes Glasgow and Rinda forever.

4. I give and bequeath tomy Daughter Margaret My Negroes Moriah Sina and Elbert for ever.

5. I give & bequeath tomy daughter Elizabeth My negroes, Frances John & Luther forever.

6 I give & bequeath tomy son William My Negroes Pleasant and Sawney for ever

7. I give &bequeath tomy Son Samuel two hundred and fifty dollars tobe paid tohim about the last of this year, by My Executors out of my estate.

8 . I give divise &bequeath to my son James and Alexander My Share or interest in a tract of land situate in Henry County in Tennessee, which is known as the M^c^Carcle land to them & their heirs forever.

9 I will that my books be equally divided between My Wife and My children : My Manuscript sermons I will and desire to be burnt.

10 I give and bequeath to my wife for and during her widowhood or life time all My household &Kitchen furniture - and at her death or marriage to my son William & my two daughters.

11 I give and bequeath to my wife & My Son William all My horses, hogs, Cattle and stock of every kind, Plantation tools . wagon & gears, for my said wife, and at her death or marriage My said Son William tohave absolutely one half thereof and the other half to my two daughters aforesaid.

12 The balance of my negroes I give &bequeath tomy wife for and during her life or Widowhood and at the happening of either of these events the same to be equally divided amongst My children either by sale or other Means as shall seem proper to a majority of my children.

13. All the provisions now on hand Corn, wheat flour, oats fodder, Pork Bacon &all other provisions I will and desire to go to the support of the family without account.

14. It is my will and desire that My carriage should be taken and kept by my wife and daughters so long as either of them shall remain Single or unmarried and then to be sold & the proceeds equally divided amongst my children.

15. I do hereby nominate constitute and appoint My Wife Rebecca &my Son William Executors of this will.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal, this 6 January 1843.

In presence of John Wier
James F.Gilbert
John.J.Barnett

Wm H.Barr (L.S.)

WILL OF [56-1347]

ELIJAH LYON

In the Name of God Amen .

I Elijah Lyon of the District of Abbeville in the State of South Carolina being of Sound mind and understanding praised be God for the same and Knowing that it is appointed unto all men once to die, do make this my last will & testament in manner and form following

To my wife Phebe Lyon I give and bequeath to her during Her Natural life Afterppaying my Just debts All the remaining part of my Estate both Personal and real.

At the death of my Wife Phebe Lyon I give and bequeath to my Grand daughter Mary Ann.N. Lyon and the Lawful Heirs of her body one Negro girl Named Eliza And to my Grand Son Nathaniel N.Lyon and the Lawful Heirs of his body one Negro Girl Named Martha. The said Mary Ann. N. Lyon or Nathaniel.N. Lyon dying without Lawful Heirs of their body the said personal property and its increase shall be returned and equally divided between my Son William Lyon and my daughter Mary Norwood

At the death of Wife Phebe Lyon I give and bequeath to my Grand Son James.F. Lyon a Negro girl Named Rachel and Her increase and to my Wife's Grandson Franklin.W. Norwood a Negro boy Named Ellis

At the death of Wife Phebe Lyon I give and bequeath to my son Elisha Lyon five dollars

At the death of Wife Phebe Lyon all the remaining part of my property both real and personal to be equally divided between my son William Lyon and my daughter Mary Norwood

~~In Witness wherof I have hereunto~~

I do nominate and appoint my Step Son John Norwood Executor of this my last will and Testament

In witness wherof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal this the fifteenth day of November One thousand eight hundred and forty two -and beginning of the Sixty seventh year of the Independence of the United States of America. .

Nathan Gunnin
William.J..Hammond
Lewis Rich

Elijah his X mark Lyon (L S)

WILL OF [13-290]

WILLIAM BRADSHAW

SOUTH CAROLINA

ABBEVILLE DISTRICT

In the name of God Amen I William Bradshaw of sound mind but afflicted in body do make this my last will and Testament . In the First place to my wife Elizabeth Bradshaw I bequeath all my Per/sonal and real estate her life time and after the death of the said Elizabeth Bradshaw I Give and bequeath to my son Henry Bradshaw All both Personal and Real Estate and if the Said Henry Bradshaw should die leaving no lineal decent The said Estate both Personal and real shall be equally divided between my Grand children William and Elizabeth Pearson, Caroline Bradshaw the only child of Jas Bradshaw and Lucinda John Pearson The supposed illegitimate daughter of John Bradshaw Dec'd and Sarah Pearson The said children to hold and to keep for their seperate and individual use, And lastly I appoint my Son Henry Bradshaw and Dr. L. Yarbrough my Lawfull Executors of this my last will and Testament

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(Signed Sealed and Delivered in the presence of
(

Jacob Hill (L. S.)

Samuel Hill(L. S.) Wm. Bradshaw (L.S.)

James Hill (L. S.)

Dec. 12. 1842

WILL OF [77-1878]

WILLIAM PAUL

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
)
ABBEVILLE DISTRICT)

In the name of God Amen

I William P. Paul of the State and District aforesaid being of sound and disposing mind and Memory but Remembering the uncertainty of life do make and ordain this my last Will and Testiment in manner following that is to say

1st. I desire after my deceased that my Horses Cows Waggon Hogs Plantation Tools and Crop of all description Household and Kitchen Furniture With Exception of My Beds and bed Clothes & beauro to be immediately sold at Public Auction by my acting Executor herein after named and out of proceeds there off I desire that my just debts and Funeral Expences be paid

2d. I bequeath to my Wife Agnes Elvira Paul five Dollars to her Executors & assigns for Ever

3d. I bequeath to my Daughter Sarah Frances five Dollars her Executors and assigns for Ever

4th I bequeath to my Daughter Agnes Amanda five Dollars to Executors & assigns for Ever

5th I bequeath to my daughter Elvira Ione five Dollars to her Executors & assigns for Ever

6th I bequeath to my Daughter Mary Lydia one Negro Woman name Peggy one Negro man Jim one Negro Girl name Ione one Negro boy Sam and there increase should there be any

All my beds & bedclothing & Bureau during her life For her separate use not subject to the disposal of her Husband should she ever marry or any other person to her and the heirs of her body for Ever should she die without issue I Desire that the portion above Willd to my Daughter Mary Lydia should be sold by my acting Executor or Executors and the amount thereoff to be Equally Divided between the Heirs of my Brother George Paul and Ione Hill that is now dec'd and my sister Mary Devlin that is now living that Each one of them may have an Equal portion

7th Should the amount that I have left to be sold not be sufficient to pay my Debts I desire that the Negroes that I have bequeathed to my Daughter Mary Lydia to be hers at the discretion of my Executors till they make the amount that is laking of my debts and should the amount that I

have left to be sold over pay my debts I desire that my daughter Lydia should have it

8th I constitute and appoint as Executors to this my last Will & Testament James S. Willson Merchant at Abbeville Village James I. Devlin & Saml L. Hill

In testimony whereoff I have here unto set my hand this twenty fifth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred and forty one Signed published and declared as his last Will — and Testement by the Testator William P Paul in the presence of us Who in the presence of the testator and Each other have subscribed our names hereunto as Witnesses)

Jas Edwards)

David Atkins)

Charles H. Wilson)

Wm" P" Paul (L.S.)

WILL OF [23-526]

JAMES CALHOUN

The State of South Carolina)
Abbeville District)

In the name of God, Amen -

I? James Calhoun of the District and State afotesaid, being in reasonable health of body, and of sound mind , memory and understanding, praised be God for the same, do make this my last Will and Testament in manner following, that is to say-

1st I do will, order, and direct, that all my just debts, funeral expenses, and the charges of proving this my will, be, by my Executors hereinafter named, paid and discharged, and for that purpose I empower my Executors to sell and dispose of such parts or portions of my Estate, real or personal, or both, as they shall judge proper in this behalf, and to execute sufficient titles therefor, but at the same time I devise them to consult the wishes and viewz of my dear Wife Sarah as to what parts or portions thereof shall be so sold or disposed of . -

2d I do will, order, and direct, all the rest and residue of my Estate, real and personal, to be and remain in the hands, power and possession of my dear Wife Sarah, during the term of her natural life, that, from the rents, issues & profits there of, she may have and receive for herself and my daughter Sarah, a comfortable support and maintenance: But at the same time I invest her with power, and she is hereby permitted, if she shall think proper, to give to my children except my daughter Sarah, at any time during her life estate, such portions of my estate, real or personal, or both, as she may choose and deem right and just, but with this express limitation, that when she shall give to one, she shall at the same time give equally to each of the others, with the exception of my daughter Sarah as aforesaid -

3d At the death of my said dear Wife Sarah, I will, order and direct, that all my Estate, real and personal, which is bythis my last Will and Testament given, devised & bequeathed to her during her natural life, except so much thereof as she may have given away by virtue of the immediately preceeding clause, shall be divided between and amongst my four children James M,

John A, William H, and Sarah, in such manner as that the two last named shall receive out of my Estate the sum of nine hundred Dollars ($900) each more than either of the two first named: but when my Daughter Sarah's share shall be laid off, I give, devise and bequeath the same to my friends Thomas Parker and Joseph Dixson and my sons James M, and John A, and at the death of either of my said two sons then to my son William H in the stead and place of my said so deceased son, upon this special trust and confidence nevertheless, that is to say, that they the said Trustees or the Survivor of them, shall receive and apply the rents, issues and profits of such share to the comfortable support and maintenance of my said Daughter -

4th I order, will, and direct, that the sum of nine hundred Dollars which I have up to this day advanced to my son William H, more than to either of my other sons, and the sums of two thousand three hundred Dollars which I have expended on the education of each of my said three sons, and also such part of my estate as my aforesaid dear Wife Sarah may under the second clause of this my last Will & testament have given to my children, shall be considered as advanced by me to them in part of their share of my estate, and shall be brought into account and charged against them, but my two Negroes Phillis and Tully are only loaned and not givento my son William H; and that before a division of my said estate shall be made amongst my said four children as directed in the third clause of this my last Will and testament the sum of thirty two hundred Dollars or a part of my Estate in lieu thereof to the value of thirty two hundred Dollars, and also a sum of money or a part of my estate in lieu thereof as shall be equalto the value of the portion of my estatewhich my said dear Wife Sarah may have given under the second clause of this my last Will and testament to either of my said sons shall be paid or delivered over to my friends Thomas Parker and Joseph Dixson and my sons James M, and John A, or in case of the death of either of my said sons then to my son William H in the stead and place ofmy said so deceased son, or tothe Survivors or Survivor of them;which two several amounts or portions of my estate to their valueI give, devise and bequeath tothem the said Thomas Parker, Joseph Dixson and my sons James M, and John A, or in case of the

death of either of my said sons, then to my son WilliamHH in the stead and place of my said so deceased son, or to the Survivors or survivor of them upon the same special trust and confidence tobe received and applied by them or the Survivors or survivor of them to and for the use, benefit and behalf of my said Daughter Sarah as is particularly set forth in the aforesaid third clause of this my last Will and testament -

5th At the death of my said daughter Sarah should she leave any child or children lawfully begotten, I give devise,and bequeath her share of my estate herein devised and bequeathed to trustees for her use, benefit and behalf, to such child or children, his, her, or their Executors, and Administrators and heirs for ever, free from the said trust; but should she leave no such child or children, I them give, devise and bequeath her said share of my Estate to such of her Brothers or Brother has; or their heirs, Executors and Administrators as my said daughter Sarah shall by her last Will and testament appoint and direct -

6th With the view of facilitating the division of my negroes amongst my said Children, my Executors hereinafter named and the Trustees aforesaid of my said Daughter Sarah, are empowered and directed to choose three disinterested persons to value my negroes and divide and lay off as nearly as may be into four equal parts or lots, and if my said children cannot afree in the choice of lots or parts, then I direct to draw for their respective lots; the difference in the value of lots to be paid by those who shall receive lots of greater value than their exact share -

7th. And Lastly , I do hereby nominate, constitute and appoint my three sons, James M, John A, and William H, Executors of this my last Will and testament .-

In Witness whereof I the said James Calhoun have hereunto set my hand and seal this 21st. day of July in the Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty two.-

Signed, sealed, declared and published by the above named James Calhoun as and for his last Will and testament, in the pres-

James Calhoun (LS)

ence of us, who, at his request
and in his presence, have sub-
scribed our names as Witnesses
thereto.-

James Taggart.

Charles.T .Haskell.

T.W.Thomas

WILL OF [23-520]

AGNES CRAWFORD

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

In the name of God, Amen. I Agnes Crawford of the District of Abbeville, widow, being sick and weak in body, but of sound mind and memory, do make and declare this my last Will and testament, in manner and form following.

1. I give, devise, and bequeath unto my two daughters Nancy, and Mary Crawford, their executors, administrators and assigns, the plantation on which I reside and my Negroe Woman Lett, together with my stock of Hogs, Cattle & Horses and Household & Kitchen furniture of what nature or kind so ever, to belong to them equally and jointly, and their assigns forever.

2. And whereas my daughter Margaret Harris, Isabella Allen, Elizabeth Crawford, and son William Crawford have already received a distribution share of their fathers Estate, I do therefore give to them and each of them the sum of One dollar each.

And I do constitute and appoint my daughter Nancy Crawford and my friend Stephen Jones, executors of my Will, and allow them to pay all my just debts, fom the sale of such property as they may think can be best spared, and on such terms as they may deem expedient.

In witness whereof I the said Agnes Crawford have hereunto set my hand & Seal this 18th, day of March in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and thirty eight

Signed, Sealed, declared, and published by the above named Agnes Crawford as and for her last Will and Testiment, in the presence of Us, who, at her Request, and in her presence, have subscribed our names as witnesses thereto.

Agnes her X mark Crawford, (L.S.)

John Speer

Jane M. Pressley.

Elizabeth Hutcheson

WILL OF [35-766]

JAMES FRAZIER

South Carolina }
Abbeville District }

In the name of God -Amen.

I James Frazier of Cedar Springs of said State and District do make and ordain this my last will and testament; revoking all former wills by me made:

Item. 1st. It is my will that all my just and lawful debts be paid, and I set apart and appropriate for that purpose the crop of Cotton made this year on my plantation, and the following slaves sold to me by my son James W Frazier, to wit Beverly, Patty, Josephine, Elbert, Mary, Lucretia, Jerry, Emily, Russell, and Maria, or so many of them as may be necessary for the payment of my debts, and no more:

Item 2d. I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Charity in lieu and bar of her dower in my real estate forher sole use and benefit during her natural life the following negroes, viz: Anne, Isabel, Peter, Charles, Charlotte, Clara and her son Augustus, and Violet and her dughter Eliza, together with the future increase of the said female slaves: with full power to my said wife Charity to bequeath the aforesaid property, to whomever of my children by my marriage with her , or to her grand - children by such marriage she may think fit after her death; Charlotte above named and bequeathed is the child of Rachel: Further I give and devise to my said Wife Charity for her sole use and benefit during her natural life the one third part of my plantation in which I now live; this third part I intend to include the orchard with the use of the Cotton Gin and screw; also one third of the stock of all Kinds, Consisting of Horses, Cows, Hogs etc: and one third of the plantation tools Consisting of waggons Carts. ploughs etc: the stock and other things abve enumerated to be divided and set apart tom my said wife, by the valuation of three disinterested persons to be Chosen by my Executors Also the choice of the third of the house hold and Kitchen

furniture; which third of the house hold and Kitchen furniture as well as her third of the stock and plantation tools, she shall be at liberty to dispose of as she pleases. Further that she shall have the liberty of occupying and using during her life any part of my present dwelling house, or of living in any other house on the plantation; or to have a convenient dwelling house and suitable Kitchen, and out -houses, built in such part of the plantation as she may select , and fitted up for her residence, and the expenses of the same to be paid by my executor : -

Item. 3.d I further give and bequeath to my beloved wife as aforesaid during her natural life to be disposed of by Will as she may make as aforesaid the following young negro slaves Hiram, Caroline , and Julia Ellen children of Violet, and Henry and Washington Children of Clara; also the negro fellow Anthony; to be divised to my children or grandchildren as aforesaid

Item 4.th.. I give and bequeath to my grand -children Henry Walker, James A Walker, Sarah A Walker Joseph Walker and Allen .S. Walker, children of my deceased daughter Jane Walker Jane Walker, one negro girl named Priscilla with her future increase; and should any of my grand children named in this Item of my will die, his or her interest to rest in the surviving children the sum of ten Dollars:

Item 5.th.. I give and bequeath to my daughter Lucretia S.Devlin and son in law Robert Devlin the following slaves to wit Frank, and her Children Lewis, John Nancy, Eliza, Emily, Sam and Oliver, with the future increase of the said female slaves; Theesame now being in the possession of my said sonin law; I also give to my son in law R Devlin, Harriet and her children, Martha and Josephine.

Item 6.th.. I give, devise, and bequeath to my son in law Robert Devlin and my nephew John.F.Livingston during their joint lives and to the survivor, the plantation on which I now live Containing seven hundred and eighty two acres more or less, subject however to the life estate of my wife as aforesaid, also, the following slaves Hampton, Rachel and children Dick Willis, Lindsay, Tinsley, Flora and Sam, and the future increase of the said female, also

Patrick a negro man; and should any of the negroes named in the first Item of my will remain after the payment of my debts, I give and bequeath them to the said Robert and John F as aforesaid : To the said Robert and John F in trust for the use of the said James W Frazier my son during his natural life, free from the debts, Contracts, and obligations of my said son James W Frazier, and at the death of the said James W Frazier the said land and negroes and their increase to be discharged from the said trust, and divided according to the Act of Assembly of this State for distribution between my daughter my daughter in law Elizabeth L. and her children by the said James W Frazier then living and should the said Elizabeth L die during the lifetime of her said Husband James W Frazier, then I hereby empower my Son James W Frazier by will to dispose of the land and negroes given in trust as aforesaid to such children as he may leave at the time of his death: and further that the said trustees with the consent of the said James W Frazier may change and substitute other Trustees, with the same power and duties of the said Robert Devlin and John FLLivingston, and may sell any or such part of the trust property aforesaid as may seem expedient or necessary to them, re-investing the proceeds arising from such sale in Similar property or any way that may be deemed most expedient for the interest of the Said James W Frazier, his wife and children:

Item 7th. I also give and bequeath to the said Robert Devlin and John F Livingston in trust as aforesaid my stock of all Kind, plantation tools, implements of husbandry, House hold and Kitchen furniture, subject however to the provision aforesaid to my beloved Wife Charity :

Item. 8th I charge my whole estate real and personal with the maintenance and support of my son. Benjamin; Charging as the readiest and proper way an annuity of seventy five dollars on the property given and bequeathed to my wife Charity; the same sum as an annuity on the trust property devised and bequeathed to Robert Devlin and John F Livingston : The said annuities so charged not to free my estate from the charge of the support of my said son Benjamin: I Commit the

Care of the person of my son Benjaminn to his mother, and should he survive her, Then to my son James W Frazier and Robert Devlin and Lucretia Devlin.

Item 9th I give and bequeath to my grand - daughter Martha B Frazier one negro girl named Meriom with her future increase, to her and to such children as she may leave living at the time of her death ; and should my said grand - daughter die leaving no children, then to such person or persons as she may by will appoint : I also give to my said grand - daughter M.B Frazier a horse worth one hundred Dollars, a saddle and bridle, to be chosen out of my property by my executors -I also give and bequeath to her four sisters viz Mary, Rebecca, Charity, andAmanda the sum of Ten Dollars each.

Item 10th I give and bequeath toRobert Devlin and John F Livingston one negro girl named Sarah in trust to and for the use of Edwin . H. Frazier the eldest son of Anne Conna, free from the debts, Contracts, and obligations of the said Edwin .H.Frazier, with power to the said Trustees with the consent of the said Edwin H. Frazier to substitute and appoint other Trustees, and with power to the said Edwin H Frazier to dispose of the said negro woman Sarah and her increase by Will, and at the death of the said Edwin H Frazier the trust to be discharged: I also give the said Edwin H Frazier one horse a saddle and bridle now in his possession :

Item. 11th Should there be any residue of my estate I give and devise the same to my grand - daughter Tallulah .H. Frazier :

Lastly . I appoint Thomas Thomson the executor of this my last wi will and testament : I Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal to this sixth page, the five pages with this numbered from one to six, Containing eleven items and this clause, being my last will and testament, on this twentieth day of August Anna Domini one thousand eight hundred and forty two.

Signed sealed and interlined before signature with the word "debts " on the first page, and

the word "she " on the second page and acknowledged to be the last will and testament of James Frazier in presence of

James Frazier (seal)

A.W. Spence

John C. Red

Sam W Cochran

Codicil

State of South Carolina
Abbeville District

I James Frazier of Cedar Springs do make this Codicil to my last will and testament :

I give and devise (Subject however to the provision given in my Will to my wife Charity) my tract of land described in my Will. being all my real estate to Robert Devlin and John.F. Livingston and their heirs, to the use of the said Robert Devlin and John .F. Livingston and their heirs, in trust for James W Frazier : To permit the said James W Frazier to receive the rents, issues and profits of the said tract of land, (subject to the provision aforesaid)free from the debts, Contracts and assignments voluntary or otherwise of the said James W Frazier :

I n witness whereof I have hereunto set My hand and Seal this Twenty second day of August Anno Domini One thousand eight hundred and forty two

Signed sealed and published as a Codicil to his Will in presence of

James Frazier (Seal)

Lewis Smith

Lucretia Fulton

Martha A McClelland

WILL OF [82 - 2025]

CHRISTIANNA ROBINSON

South Carolina)
Abbeville District.) I Christanna Roberson, being week in Body but sound in mind, and nowing the uncertinty of life, and the certinty of death, do make and ordain this my last will and testament in the following manner towit

1st I give and bequth unto my son William the tract of land whareon I now live, with all the stock of Cattle for ever as his right, and also the Cubbard and house hold furneture in all to my said Son William

2d I give and Bequeth unto my grandaughter Rosanna Carolin Roberson my bead and furneture and my chest and all my warring appearel,

3d I give and bequeth unto my said son William all my Kitchen furneture and every thing that is mine in the House and out of house he is to be my Whole Heir with the exception of the bead and furneture and chest cloathing above mentioned I constitute and appoint my son William and my frind John B. Bull to execute this my last will and testament In Witness whareof I have Set my mark this twentyeth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty two

In presince of

Christanna her X mark Roberson (seal)

And$^{W}_{n}$ Weed

James Richardson

A. Houston

WILL OF [48-1122]

PETER HANDLEY

In the Name of God Amen

I Peter Handley of the State of South Carolina and District of Abbeville, being of sound , and ,disposing mind and memory, but weak in body and Calling to mind the uncertainty of life, and being desireous to dispose of all such worldly estate as it hath pleased God to bless me with, doe make and ordain this my last Will in manor following that is to say, I give and bequeath to John Roman Sen / al l of my Estate Consisting of three negroes a negro woman named Bety and Hety & child William Robert. & hogs horses and cattle plantation tools, and all / of my presant crop. after paying all of Just debts and lastly doe constitute and appoint the said John Romans Executor of this my last will an testament by me ~~hereunte~~ heretofore named in testimony where of I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seal this the Twenseventh day of September one thousand Eight hundred and forty two and in the sixty seventh year of the Independance of the United States of America Signed sealed published and declared as and for the last Will & testament of the above named Peter Handley in the preasance of us

Test Samuel Turner

Test James Smith Jun

Wm. E. Caldwell

Peter his X mark Handley

WILL OF [103 - 2526]

ADAM WIDEMAN

SOUTH CAROLINA)
)
ABBEVILLE DISTRICT) IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN--------

I Adam Wideman Senr of the State and District aforesaid being of a 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 pleased God to help me with, do make and ordain this my last Will, in manner following, that is to say ------

1st. I desire that after my death all my just debts and funeral expenses be paid out of the moneys on hand

2nd And all the property and moneys heretofore given to my several children shall be theirs and their heirs forever----------

3rd I desire that all my Estate both real and personal of what nature or quality soever it may be. That it be sold and the proceeds Equally divided among my several children that is to say John Wideman Sam-uel Wideman Joshua Wideman Adam Wideman and Nel Wideman together with the children of my three dead children Henry Wideman Rachael Willis Elizabeth Marrs I give to the children of my Dece'd children only one childs part to be equally divided among them, and I give it to them their heirs executors administrators and assigns forever

4th Lastly I do constitute and apoint my two sons John Wideman and Adam Wideman executors of this my last Will and testiment by us heretofore made in testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 24th day of June 1840)
Signed Sealed and declared)
as the last Will and testament)
of the within name Adam) Adam Wideman (L.S.)
Wideman Senr in presence of)
his
us Robert M. X Casland)
mark
William Harriss)
John Kennedy)

WILL OF [82-2024]

STEPHEN ROSS

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

ABBEVILLE DISTRICT

Know all men by their presents that I Stephen Ross of the State and District aforesaid, do make and ordain this my last Will and testiment, Revoking all others

I give and Bequeath my beloved wife Elizabeth Ross all my property real and personal during her Life for the support of herself and my three children Viz. Martha Jane Ross, Moses Glenn Ross and Isabella Ann Ross and at the death of my wife all the property in posession of my wife to be equally divided among the named children Secondly. I herein appoint and Ordain My Wife Elizabeth Ross sole Executrix of this my last Will. Given under my hand and Seal this 18th Day of December the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred And Forty One And in the sixty sixth Year of American Independance

Witnessed by us

Peter McKellar

Jas. C. Ray

John P. Banatt

Stephen Ross (L.S.)

WILL OF [102 - 4519]

JAMES WARDLAW

State of South Carolina)
Abbeville District)

In The name of God amen.

I James Wardlaw of the village of Abbeville being in health but calling to mind the uncertainty of life do make and ordain this my last will and testament.

Item 1 My funeral expenses and all my just debts (including the sums unpaid on Bank stock subscribed ; for by me) I direct my Executors to pay from the cash I may leave on hand , the debts due to me, and the property herein after directed to be sold.

Item 2. I bequeath to David Lewis Wardlaw and Robert Henry Wardlaw three hundred Dollars in trust for Mary Anne Hodges wife of Benjamin Hodges to be for her sole and separate use,laid out in such property or expended in such manner and at such time as the said David Lewis and Robert Henry may think most suitable to her situation.

Item 3 . I bequeath to my Son Robert Henry all fees due to me in the Clerks office.

Item 4. I bequeath to my Daughter Mary Caroline and Hannah Margaret and my Sons Joseph James and William Alfred ,each, one bed, bedstead and furniture.

Item 5 I have one hundred and fifty two shares stock in the Bank of Augusta of these I set apart for my Daughter Mary Caroline and Son William Alfred ten shares each and to my Sons Robert Henry, Joseph James and Daughter Hannah Margaret five shares each these bequeats to be over and above the equal share which as hereafter all my Children are to have of my estate, being an addition to those five to make them equal for expenditures of the others.

Item 6 I have made advancements to some of my Children independent of their education and maintenance as follow:

To David Lewis Wardlaw to the amount of	$4783.00
Francis Hugh	6608.-
Robert Henry	4070.-
Elizabeth Amanda	3835.-

J A. Wardlaw To

To Jane Eliza $4515.00

William Alfred 5000.-

a part of the above advancements are included in notes payable to me and my desire is that taking into consideration these advancements all my Children should receive equal shares in value of my whole estate and property afore bequeathed but so as to dispense with the sale of my negroes, and most or all of my lands.

Item 7. To my Sons Robert Henry, Joseph James and William Alfred their heirs and assigns forever I devise the following lands on Little river Viz . 699 purchased from James Crawford, 187 acres purchased from James Huey. 376 acres the balance of the Caldwell tract .after deducting the part conveyed to Jane E. Perrin ,34 acres a tract of the Ellington tract that lies on the west side of the river and 303 acres purchased of the estate of James Boyd dec^{d}. which lands I allot to the said Robert Henry, Joseph James, and William Alfred at the rate of six Dollars pr. acre amounting to ten thousand one hundred and thirty four Dollars, to be received by them as so much of their part of my estate

Item 8 To my Daughter Mary Caroline I allot my house and appurtenances in the Village of Abbeville with 70 acres of land on which it stands, 9acres adjoining A Baker conveyed to me by Geo. Bowie Esq. 31 acres which I own of the McIntire tract and 111 acres remaining to me of the White lick tract through which the Vienna road runs, to be received by her at two thousand Dollars as so much of her part of my estate; My Son William Alfred to live with Mary Caroline in the house free from rent.

Item 9 My will and desire is that if my Sons Robert Henry, Joseph James and William Alfred, or my Daughter Mary Caroline or either of them, do not choose to take the lands, and appurtenances devised and allotsd to them, the said lands or house and appurtenances which they or either of them may refuse to accept, shall revert back to my estate .The same as if no dedevise or allotment had been made.

Item 10 Either of my tracts of land ,one on the west side of

JA. Wardlaw adjoining

Long cane creek -adjoining lands of John Adams, John Tennent and estate of Joseph Davis dec^{d}. another tract on the East adjoining lands of John Keller and the Twickenham lands (and any of the lands devised if any should be thrown back tomy estate) any of my Children that choose may take at valuation as part of their share, if none choose to take them or either of them I direct my Executors to sell, at such time and in such manner as may be most advantageous - Also my Executors to have two Quarter Sections of land I own in Alabama sold on same terms.

Item 11 All the rest and residue of my property of everydescription (except Books) I direct my Executors to sell, except my negroes which are to be divided as below provided, and which I request my Children not to sell without some strong necessity requires.

Item 12. All my lands in Abbeville District (not heretofore disposed of by devise or otherwise, which my Children at their option may or may not take) all my negroes and all my Bank Stock except the thirty five shares above mentioned I wish to be fairly valued at Cash prices by five respectable disinterested Commissioners, to be appointed by the Clerk, Sheriff ordinary and Commissioner in Equity for Abbeville District for the time being (each of those officers appointing one, and the four so appointed appointing the fifth) and then taking into consideration the advancements above set forth, and any surplus of the funds set apart for payment of debts, which may not be necessary for that purpose, I devise those five Commissioners to make the share of my nine Children equal in the whole, independent of the Clerks fees, beds and furniture and thirty five shares Bank stock aforementioned - And of any such portion of my estate as may be in debt, uncollected, or remain to be sold which can afterwards be equally divided.

Item 13. The share of my Daughter Mary Caroline which may be over and above the interest in the house and lands devised to her (provided she may choose to retain or keep said house and lands) and one negro Boy and Girl which I bequeath to her if she wishes the same, at valuation ,regard being had to the price set upon other negroes in advancements made to my other Children

and valued accordingly , Mary Caroline to choose said Boy and Girl before the above division takes place, the balance of this share I devise the Commissioners to make up, & what then may be the fair market value of Bank stock, or good Bonds or notes - And the whole of the property real and personal above bequeathed as & apart for Mary Caroline I give to my Sons Francis Hugh, Joseph James and my Soninlaw Thomas C.Perrin The Survivor or Survivors of them in trust for the sole and seperate use of my Daughter Mary Caroline, not at all subject to the debts contracts and engagements of any other person, she to have the power of the dividends, interest and profits of her share, when the same shall have been shown or collected and paid to her by the Trustees, but not of transfering or encumbering the Capitol, and the whole to be subject to her disposal by last will and testament, or if she should die without making such last will and testament to go to her heir general. The said Trustees to have power to sell and convey any portion or part of this share real or personal, and to invest the proceeds in trust upon. Like terms and conditions, but it is my earnest desire that as much as possible all Mary Caroline's property that may be in Bank stock should be kept in some safe institution, or in bonds or notes, yielding an interest without trouble (and if by expiration of a Bank -charter, prudent sale or otherwise her property should be changed, the Trustees should loose as little time as possible inverting the funds judiciously so as to secure for her interest or dividends.

Item 14 All the estate and property portion and share herein bequeathed to my Daughter Elizabeth Amanda, I hereby direct and appoint to her for and during her natural life only, to her sole and seperate use, not subject to the debts, contracts, engagements or control of her present or any other Husband; and from and after her death to her descendants, in such manner,form share and proportion as she may direct and appoint by any writing under her hand, executed in the presence of two or more credible witnesses;and in default of any appointment so made by her, to be divided amongst those descendants, so that any Child she may leave living at the time of her death may have an equal share and the descendants of my deceased Child if any may take the equal share of such deceased Child to be divided amongst themselves- Children representing a deceased parent

JA.Wardlaw

Children representing a deceased parent if any.

Item 15 I will and direct that for every share ,interest, portion or legacybequeathed to my Daughter Elisabeth Amanda by the preceding clause, with the limitations therein contained, her receipt, by herself or agent constituted under her hand, shall be a sufficient discharge to my Executors- and that in all partitions, dividends, divisions or arrangements between my legatees or between them and my Executors, she shall be the representative of all such share interest, portion or legacy as the same had been bequeathed to her absolutely, and she were a single woman;the rights of descendants subsisting only as between her and them.

Item 16 My Portrait and Scotts family Bible I give to my Son David Lewis -the rest of my books to be divided amongst all my Children.

Item 17 I appoint my Sons David Lewis and Robert Henry Executors of this my last will and testament, authorising them or either of them to convey the lands that may be sold by virtue of this will; and I authorise them to sell at public or private sale upon such terms and at such times as may appearmost advantageous whatever property I have directed to be sold.

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this sixth day of June in the year of our Lord onet thousand eight hundred and forty, hereby revoking all former wills and declaring this (containing five pages ,and with my name signed at the bottom of each page) to be my last will and testament.

Signed, Sealed, published and declared as and for his last willand testament by the said James Wardlaw in presence of us, who in his presence and in presence of each other have hereunto set our hands as witnesses

Charles H. Allen
Jno.FLivingston
J.H.Cobb

J A.Wardlaw (Seal)

Codicil

I bequeath to my grand daughter Hannah Bouham, a negro girl between eight & fourteen years of age, to be selected

J A.Wardlaw

ed by my Executors.

Any arrangements made to either of my children said the date of the preceding will I advise to be taken into the estimate in making the division whith my children.

Signed, Sealed, published & declared as & for the codicil to his preceding will, by the Said James Wardlaw, this the 26 Sept 1841 in presence of us, who in his presence subscribed our names hereto.-

his
James X Wardlaw (LS)
mark

A. Bond

John White

Jno F Livingston

WILL OF [68-1662]

Nancy Martin

STATE OF
SOUTH CAROLINA
ABBEVILLE DISTRICT

In the name of God Amen.

Know all men by these presents, that I Nancy Martin of the state & district aforesaid relict of the late George Washington Martin deceased. being weak in body, but of sound mind, memory and understanding, do make and ordain this , my last will and testiment, in the words following (to wit)

First, I Resign my body to the grave, and my soul to God who gave it.

It is my will that all my just debts be paid, by disposing of the crop, when raised and divided, the share falling to me to be sold at auction, togethet with my farming tools & such of my effects as shallbe thought advisable by my executor.

I do will & bequeath unto my son William Bird Martin late of the State & District aforesaid but now of Alabama the sum of one dollar to be his full share of my estate. to be paid him by my executor.

I do will and bequeath unto my son John Benning Martin of the State & District aforesaid the sum of one dollar, to be his full share of my estate to be paid him by my executor.

I do will and bequeath unto my daughter Martha Sarah Ann Childs, of the State & District aforesaid, the sum of ten dollars to be her full share of my estate to be paid her by my executor.

I do will and bequeath unto my daughter America Rowenna Eliza Haddon the sum of ten dollars to be paid by my executor also. I will and bequeath unto the aforenamed America my trunk and safe, which together with the aforesaid ten dollars shall be her full share of my estate.

I do will and bequeath unto my remaining daughter, Indiana Martin all the remainder of my estate, after paying all my just debts, together with the expences of Administration and the aforenamed legacies, excepting my saddle which I bequeath to my grand daughter Arabella Frances Childs.

Furthermore, it is my will that my daughter Indiana, recieve unsold my chairs. clock, crockery & glass ware. my two looking glasses. dressing table, loom & appurtenances, my three beds & all my bed clothing. my three dedsteads. flybrush. together with such other property as she may desire. which may not be needed to defray

any of the aforesaid expenses.

I do furthermore appoint Dr. Franklin Branch my executor to this my last will & testiment. In testimony whereof I subscribe my name & affix my seal this third day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty two. and of the independence of the United States of America the sixty sixth.

Signed sealed & delivered } * the interlinning made before signing.
in the presence of } her
Peter Gibert } Nancy X Martin (T.S.)
Thos A. Benning } mark
F. Branch }

WILL OF [90-2221]

WILLIAM SADLER

The State of South Carolina } I William Sadler of the State a
Abbeville District } 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 dis pose of all sutch worldly Estate as it has pleased God to bless me with do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament viz -

1st It is my will and desire that all of my just debts be first paid

2nd. I will and bequeath unto my son Willis C Sadler Ten Dollars and no more

3rd. I will and bequeath unto my son. John Sadler and my Daughters Frances Chatham and Mary Ann Sadler the following named slaves with their increse Viz Will Fan Bob Jude Jane West. Sally & Nelson to share and share alike in the following manner that. is the Above named Legatees to select five judicious and disinterested persons to apportion the above named slaves into as equal lots as possible the Eldest drawing first. and so on untill the division is made

4th. I will and bequeath to my son John a cow and calf , a Bed Bedstead and furnature

5th I will and bequeath unto my Daughter Mary Ann a cow and Calf. a Bed and Bed and furnature

6th It is my will and desire that my Real and personal Estate not heretofore disposed of be Sold and the assets arrising therefrom after paying my Just debts ~~be~~ be equally devided between my three children Viz John. Frances and Mary Ann - to share and share alike -

And Lastly I do appoint my son John Sadler . and Son in Law - Robert Chatham Executors of this my last will and Testament .-

By me heretofore made In testimony where of I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this the fourth day of June anno Domini One thousand Eight hundred and forty Two.

Signed sealed published and declared as and for the last will and Testament of the above named William Sadler in the presence of us } his William X Sadler(LS) mark

N M CANTS
C B Fooshe
John L Cheatham

WILL OF [48-1121]

RICHARD HILL

South Carolina)
)
Abbeville District) Whereas I Richard Hill of the State and District afforesaid being at this time in possession of a sound mind and having my perfect reasoning faculties but verry low in health feel resolved to make this my last will & testament .viz first /all my just debts are to be paid. secondly my boy Henry to be sold. & as much of my other property as my wife may see fit. Ex- my boy James & my girl Frances & her child Joseph with her increase henceforth . or in case it should Ever during my wife's Natural life be necessary to sell any of the three above mentioned negroes s,d negroes are to have the privilege of choosing their owners without being sold at publick sale. s,d negroes to be Valued by three judiceous free -holders. The above mentioned three negroes with my other Entire property to belong to my wife Sarah J. Hill during her natural life or widow - hood & in case She should marry I wish an Equal division of my property between her (my wife Sarah J Hill) & my children. Further If my wife Should see fit to sell my present plantation my Executors Either of them shall have perfect power to make a title to s,d land. And I Further direct that my son Andw M.Hill Shall be sent to school until he shall have obtained an English Education Embracing Arithmetick English Grammar & Geography . & the Expences accruing from s,d Education to be deducted from his Equal part of my property .that is so much of s,d Expense as shall Exceed the Expense of Educating the rest of my children And I hereby appoint my wife Sarah J. Hill & Thomas Thompson resident at Abbeville Ct. House & attorney at law, my lawful Executors to this my last will & testament & that they should have full power to act according to my last will. This given under my hand & seal this 19th. day of January Eighteen hundred & Forty one & in the Sixty fifth year of the independence of the united states of America

In the prence of R Hill (L .S.)
H.H.Penney
Andrew Monroe
Blassongim X V. Hodges
his mark

WILL OF [48-1120]

FRANCIS HENRY

In the name of God Amen"

I Francis Henry of the District of Abbeville in the State of South Carolina being of an advanced age and week in body but of a sound mind and understanding and memory Do make and ordain this as and for my last will and testament Viz.

Item 1.t I will and devise that all my just debts be paid out of my Estate as soon as possible after my decease

Item 2d I give and bequeath to my son William the tract of land he now lives on and also my old place adjoining it containing in all three hundred and thirty nine acres more or less also the two negroes he now has Nam and Andy togethe the stock of horses and cattle he now has

Item 3d I give and bequeath to my son Peter the land I now live on containing two hundred and fifty acres more or less also a negroe man named Jerry and a negro woman named Susan and child named James also a young gray horse which he now claims also two cows , the -above legecy is given on condition that my son, Peter support and take care of his mother whilst she live also a bed an furniture

Item 4th I give and bequeath to my daughter Margarette a negroe girl named Judy and a negroe man named John & a horse & saddle with the poperty she has already receeved.

Item 5th I give to my wife Mary a negroe woman named Liddy together with what stock is left on the place after the above legecies are devided of also what household furniture she may need and at her death liddy is to belong to Margarett the balance of the above legesy is at hir disposal

Item 6th I do hereby nomimate and appoint my son William and Samuel Reid Executors of this my last will & testament and I hereby revoke anull and disanull all other wills testaments bequeaths before made, Given under my hand & seal this 25th day of November 1841

Signed seal pronounced & declared by the Test
ator as his last will & Testament in presen
of us who subscribed the same as witnesses in
his presence

Samuel Reid
Test Joseph Lyon
James B. Baley

Francis Henry (Seal)

WILL OF [68- 1659]

MARGARET MURPHY

SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN

I MARGARET MURPHY.

OF ABBEVILLE DISTRICT, 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 to dispose of all such worldy Estate as it hath pleased God to help me with. Do make and ordain this my last will In man-ner following, that is to say (1,st) I desire that all my just debts be paid. (2nd) I give the price for which my negro girl Mima and her child is sold to my oldest sone John Murph-ey forever.(3,d) I give the price for which my negro boy Pinckney is sold to my youngest sone William Murphy for'ever. (4th,) I give my negro woman Fanny and her two youngest children Levena and sebean to my two daughters Mary Murphy and Easther Murphy and they are to support me my lifetime and lastly I do constitute and appoint John E. Ellis and Abram Haddon Executors of this my last Will and testiment by me made. In testimony whereof I have here unto set my hand and affixed my seal this nineteenth day of October in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and forty one signed sealed published and declared as the last Will and testiment of the above named)
Margaret Murphy)
In presence of)
us)
George Brownlee)
Lydell Williams)
)
Evelyn E. Pressley

her
Margaret X Murphy (TS)
Mark

WILL OF [4- 62]

JOSHUA ASHLEY

State of South Carolina,) In the name of God, Amen. I, Joshua
Abbeville District) Ashlry senior, being weak in body, but of sound and disposing mind, and, knowing that it is appointed once for all men living to die, do make and ordain this my last will & testament, as follows, viz. 1st. I resign my Spirit to God , who gave it, and my body to the dust ,to be neatly buried. 2nd. I give and bequeath to my daughter Charlotte two hundred dollars. 3rd. I give and bequeath to my son Moses a cow, and desire that he shall have a home on the land he now lives but the land, I give and bequeath to his (Moses) two sons George W Ashley and Joshua I.-Ashley, and if any more sons are born to him from this time forward, then for the land (on which my son Moses now live) to be equally divided amon all of them - 4th. I give and bequeath tomy daughter Nancy, a bed and furniture, and one cow. and two hundred dollars in cash. 4th. I give and bequeath to my son Joshua all the rest of my estate both personal and real, and I appoint and ordain my son Joshua sole executor of this my last will and testament -

In witness I have hereunto set my hand and seal, This twenty -ninth ninth day of Sept. in the year of our Lord onethousand eight hundred and forty -

Signed, sealed and delivered
in the presence of ,

Test

John Pratt Jr. Joshua Ashley (Seal)

Wm. Pratt sen.

Robeson Ashley

WILL OF [41-925]

DAVID GILLAM

The last Will and testiment of David Gillam of the District of Abbeville witnesseth, that he he is of sound mind and disposing memory and has thought proper to make the following assignment and distribution of his effects (Viz)

1. It is my Will and desire, that as soon as practicable after my decease, that a sufficiancy of my personal estate be sold, as may be necessary for the payment of my just debts, and that my executors select the kind of property which can best be spared

2d It is my will that each of my children have a cow and calf, and a bed and furniture as that may arrive at age or marry; and that my son Harrie Gillam have choice of the dedsteads among my house hold furniture

3rd It is my will; that all the balance of my estate both real and personal, be kept subject to the controll and managemnt of my exec=utrors, for the support of my wife and my daughter Rebecca Gillam _____ ____ ____ And should my wife survive until Rebecca shall arrive at age or marry, it is my will that the property then left to their enjoyment should be equally divi ded between them either by sale or division which said share shall go my said daughter Rebecca Gillam, to her and the lawful heirs of her body forever____ Or should my said wife die before Rebecca should become of age or marry, the portion or share of said property above alloted to her shall then be set apart to her in the way and manner above directed

4th It is my will that the property above willed to my wife during her natural life, shall at her death be sold, and equally devided among my children (except Rebecca whose part has been before devided) - to them and the lawful heirs of their body forever

Lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my friend James Gillam and Robert C. Gillamexecutors of this my last will and testiment

Given under my hand and seal this 12th day of March A.D. 1838)
Signed Sealed and)
delivered in the pres)
ence of)

David Gillam (L S)

R Boulware

James Owens
James Gillam

WILL OF [23-579]

WILLIAM CLARK

South Carolina) Know all men by these presents, that I
Abbeville District) William Clark of the State and district aforesaid. Considering the uncertainty of life and wishing to make a proper disposition of my property whilst of Sound and disposing Memory - do make and ordain this my last will and testament -.

1st. I give and bequeath tomy beloved nephew William Clark, absolutely and unconditionally , the following negroes. viz Aleck Tom Sidney John Jane and Pelinas to hold as his individual property together with their increase-.

2nd I give and bequeath to the next Brother of my said nephew William Clark ,whose name I do not now recollect the following negroes. viz Charlotte. Mary. Henry and Patrick together with their increase absolutely -.

3rd. To my next eldest nephew whose name I do not recollect, the brother of the Said William Clark, I give and bequeath , absolutely, my negroe girl Sarah with her increase -.

4th To the eldest daughter of my deceased Brother Patrick C.Clark, I give and bequeath absolutely my negroe Girl Julia with her increase -.

5th. To my next Eldest niece to the one above mentioned, whose name I do not recollect, the daughter of my said brother, I give and bequeath absolutely my boy Alfred -.

6th To My third niece the daughter of my said brother Patrick deceased I give and bequeath unconditionally My negroe boy Cesar-.

7th To my beloved nephew William Clark I give the Sum of two thousand dollars - five hundred dollars of which I allow for the Support of my negro woman Sidney, with the request that she be kindly treated the balance of her life, and at her death what remains of the said five hundred dollars. I give to my said nephew William - The balance of my estate both real and personal with the exception of my wearing apparel, which I give to my boy John, I wish tobe sold and to be equally divided among my five nephews and nieces above mentioned, excluding my nephew William share and share alike -. My hereinafter named executors are hereby

fully empowered to make a good and sufficient title to the tract of land on which I now reside -.

It is my further will that all the money arising from the sale of the balance of my estate real and personal, as above mentioned, and tobe divided equally among my five mentioned nephews and nieces excluding William, should remain in the hands of my Executors, until said children shall Successively arrive at twenty one or marry and that as they shall arrive at twenty one or marry, I wish my executors topay them off ratiably, out of what money they may have in hand, in proportion to their share -.

Lastly, I appoint to this my last will & testament, as my Executors, my two friends James Caldwell & William Caldwell . In testimony whereof I have hereunto affixed my hand and seal , this 1st Nov.1841

In presence of - (seal)

James Calhoun William Clark

James W Harris

Bartlry Tucker

WILL OF [13-287]

MARTHA BUCHANAN

South Carolina)
Abbevill District) The last Will and testament of Martha Buchanan of the State and District aforesaid.

I Martha Buchanan Considering the uncertainty of this Mortal life and being of sound mind and memory (blessed be Almighty God for the same) do make and publish this my last Will and testament in manner and form following (that is to say) I give unto the lawful bodily heirs of my Daughter Margaret Roman all of my Estate boath real and personal with the exception of one Cow named Chery and Calf over and above the Share of the rest which Cow and Calf I give to my grand Daughter Martha Roman and the increase arising from the same, and all the rest to be equally devided between all the lawful bodiley heirs of my Daughter

2nd I desire that so much of my personal property be soald as may be necessary to pay all of my Just debts the balance to be devided as above mentioned;- but it is expressly understood that my Daughter ia to have the use of all my estate boath real and pereonal for the purpose of raising her family provided the same is taken Care of ,by my Daughter and her husband and itis also understood thay my estate is not to be subject for any hearetofore Contracted or which may heareafter be Contracted by either of them.- And lastly I point my worthy friend William Buchanan Junier my lawful executor & trustee of this my last Will and testament

Martha her X mark Buchanan

Signed, sealed, published and declared by the the above named Martha Buchanan to be her last will and testament in the presence of us, who have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses in the presence of the tastator

Test P.D.Klugh

Test John Irwin

W Buchanan Jr

WILL OF [48-1149]

N W HODGES

The State of South Carolina Abbeville District

I N. W. Hodges being of sound mind & Memory but weak in Body And sensible of the uncertainty of life and certainty of Death desirous of making some disposition of my worldly affairs Make this my Will & Testament

Viz Myself I commit to my Savior who hath Redemed me and washed me in his Blood

Apl 1 I bequath to my eldest son Edward Hodges the following books

Nature & And in 12 Vol
Memory Roger Williams
History of the United States
Breckenndges lat War

Apl 2 I give and bequath unto my son Charles Hodges the following Books

The life of Sam Pearce
Jones Church History

Apl 3 I give and bequath to my Daughter Mary H Hodges

Memoirs of Wm Judson
One good Bed Matras & High Bed
One Beaurau Work Table and all her Deceased Mothers wearing Apparel

Apl 4 I give and bequath to my son N W Hodges

Henrys Exposition 6 Vol
One Gold watch when he arrives at lawful age or at the discretion of My Executors

Apl 5 I give an Bequath to my son Belton O Hodges DD

Thomas Scotts life & Works

Apl 6 I give and Bequath to my son James H Hodges

One Polegot Greek & English Bible

Apl 7 I give and Bequath to My Daughter Margarette J Hodges

My Family Sopha

Apl 8 I give and Bequath unto my Two Daughters Mary H Hodges & Margarette J Hodges All my Bed clothing embracing sheets Connterpanes spreads Blankets Pillow and Pillow Cases - Window curtains to be equally divided

Apl 9 I desire and request my Executors to sell off all the balance of my effects in Fairfield District of every Kind and character giving them a discretionary power .to sell my Negro Woman at private sale if they think best except what is herein ennumerated

Apl 11 My House and lot in Greenwood Abbeville District I Desire my Executors to sell public or private as they think best

Apl 11 I give and bequeath to my Two sons Edward & Charles Hodges All my wearing Apparel to be equally divided

Apl 12 After paying my just debts all the moneys arrising from from the sale of my Property and what may be in my possession at my Death I desire my Executors to put out at interest for the expres purpose of suporting and Educating my youngest Daughter Margaret J Hodges

Apl 13 When my Daughters Mary H & Margaret J Hodges arrives at age or marries I wish the principle of all moneys belonging to my Estate to be equally divided .Each one of them to receive her portion when they Marry or become of Age.

April 14 In case either of my Daughters Mary H or Margarete J Hodges should Die without leaving any Issue her portion to be given to my surviving Daughter or the Case of both Dieing without Issue the whole to be equally divided amongst my surviving children shear and shear alike

Apl 15 My Daughter Mary H Hodges I leave with and to be under the Guardian and Parental care of my friend Larkin Griffin

April 16 My son N W Hodges I leave with and under the Guardian and Parental care of my friend Leeroy Watson

Apl 17 My son James H Hodges I leave with and under the Guardian and Parental Care of my friend Y I Harington

Apl 18 My son Belton O Hodges I leave with and under the Guardian and Parental Care of my friend Hon J B Oneal

Apl 19 My Daughter Margarete J Hodges I leave with and under the Guardian and Parental care of my friend Wm Ashford Where she is at present living

Apl 20 I leave under the care of my friend the Rev James Chiles All my manuscripts and publications for the use and benefit of

my children and when N W Hodges becomes of age to be delivered up to him

Apl 21 I constitute & appoint my friend Adna Johnson of Fairfield Dist and my friend Larkin Griffin & Leroy Watson of Abbeville Dist my Executors to this my last Will & Testament as Witnes my hand & seal this Oct 1st 1845 and on the Sixty Sixth Year of the sovernty and Indapendance of the United States of America

Signed in the presence
of

N W Hodges (LS)

Joseph Wardlaw

Tho J Coleman

Thos L Whitlock

WILL OF [48-1193]

JOHN F. PETOT

Georgia } I. John F. Petot of the County of Wilkes and State
Wilkes County } of Georgia being of sound and disposing mind and memory but weak in body do make and publish and declare this instrument of writing to be my last will and Testament and I hereby revoke all former Wills by me heretefore made

Item 1st I will and bequeath to my beloved Wife Harriett L Petot the following propetty to wit My House & Lot in the town of Washington whereon I now reside adjoining F.G.Wingfield A.L. Alexander Mrs Randolph & others & the Main Street with all and singular the rights members and appurtenances also all my house hold and Kitchen furniture of Every description my Carriage and Horses and such other Item of Property usually Kept about the Lot for the support and Convenience thereof

also the following minr Negroes to wit William Affa Sally Peggy Kitty Ned Jacob. Juba & Harriet to her and her heirs forever

Item 2nd I give and bequeath to my friend Mary Minton our Negro Girl named Regina to her and her heirs forever

Item 3rd I will and bequeath to my Wife Harriett L Petot my wood lot Containing twenty acres more or less adjoining Col Botton and others to her and her heirs forever

Item 4' It is my further Will and desire that all the rest and residue of my property both in Carolina & Georgia both real and personal including the twelve acre lot in the Town of Washington bought of Wm. M Cozart adjoining my residence be sold by my Executors at an Early aday as Consistent with Other interest of my Estate to be judged of by my Executors & on such time as they may think most beneficial to my Estate and that the proceeds thereof be first applied to the payment of my debts and the amount which I owe my Son Francis L. Petot as his Guardeun and then that all the Remainder thereof I desire to be Equally divided between my Wife Harriett L Petet & my Children which I have by her in as much as the amount which I owe my Son Francis L. Petot as his Guardeun Will exceed the Portion which my Estate will pay to the rest of my Children the amount I owe him as his Guardian is intendedbby me as in full of his part of my Estate

Item 5" It is my further will & desire & Expressly Empower my Ex-

ecutors to Convert the proceeds of my Estate which shall be due my Children in such securities bearing Interest as they may deem most beneficial to them and if they should think it advisable they are permitted to invest the Same in Bank Stock or other productive Stocks in their discretion

Item 6" I do hereby Nominate & appoint my friends Edward M. Burton & Henry J. Pope Executors to this my last will and Testament In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this 23d day of January 1840

Signed Sealed and acknowledged as his last will and testament in our presence who Signed the Same in the presence of Each other

H.N. Clark)
E.A. Smith) John F. Petot (L S)
Robt. A. Toombs)

Codical November 9" 1841

Item 7

I give and bequeath to my Son Francis L Petot my Gold Watch to him & his heirs forever

Item 8" I give and bequeath to my Son Wm. L. Petot My Double barrell Shot Gun to him and his heirs forever

Item 9" I do hereby Nominate and appoint my beloved Wife Harriett L Petot Executrix to this my last Will and testament in addition to the above named friends E. M. Burton & Henry J. Pope

Signed in the presence

of Each of us)
H. N. Clark) John F. Petot (L S)
E.A. Smith)
William Jones)

WILL OF [93-2298]

MOSES TAGGART

SOUTH CAROLINA)
ABBEVILLE DISTRICT)

I Moses Taggart of the State & district of aforesaid being advanced in years, but in the enjoyment of those mental faculties which the Almighty God was pleased to give me; do make & ordain this my last will & Testament, as follows, Viz;

1,st My will and desire is that all my Just debts be paid.

2.d I will devise & bequeath unto my beloved Wife Anna Taggart, that half acre lot adjoining the Acre lot I purchased of Langdon Bowie, to have and enjoy the same during her natural life, and at her death I Will devise & bequeath the same lot to my son John Taggart & his Wives & Assigns forever,

I also Will and bequeath to my said Wife Anna Taggart the Negro Man old Dick, the Woman Ann & the girl Milly, which were hers when we were married ; and as much of the stock as she may chuse to keep, also as much of the household & Kithchen furniture as will furnish the two Rooms on her lot, and to be at her own choise what Beds & furniture to take: Also her Barouch & harness, & her choice horse of any I may have I also bequeath to my beloved wife the small gold Watch which I now wear which I ask her to keep as a token of my affection while she lives, & at her death dispose of it as she pleases, also my spectacles, and one hundred dollars The above property so Willed to my wife Anna Taggart is in heir of, and in bar of any right or claim of dower she may have against my estate. and is hereby willed to her and her heirs and assigns forever.

3.r To my son James Taggart I will begueath my Mahogany Secretary & Bokcase, my Pistol & Case & two Notes on which he owes a balance to me to be given up to him & the lone which was sent to me by my Son Lewis, to him & his heirs forever.

4.h I will devise and bequeath to my daughter Margaret Tallman, the tract of land on which she lives at this time to be entirely at her disposal and not subjecttto the debts or control of her husband or any other: and also the Negro woman Jemima together with her issue or increase, and as above not subject to the debts or control of her husband or any other: In the condition never the less that she pay to me or my Executor, here-after to be named the sum of two hundred dollars which is less than what she owes, and on her so doing I hereby authorise my executors

to make her a good title to the said land & Negros to her & her heirs forever.

5th, To my daughter Mary Perrin I will & bequeath fifty Dollars and my breastpin, containing part of her mother and brothers hair.

6th. To my daughter Amy Owen I will & bequeath five dollars.

7th. My son Oliver has received a full share of my estate for which his Receipt will be found among my papers.

8th. All the rest and residue of my estate , not disposed of, I both real and personal I Will to be sold by my executors in the way they think best. Earnestly requesting them not to let any of the few negroes that I leave fall into the hands of those who would treat them ill if they can help it. & then to pay every just debt I may owe and whatever may remain after the payment of my debts & the small legacies before mentioned..I Will devise & bequeath to my son James Taggart and my brother in law John Donnold Nevertheless/in trust for the sole use benefit & behalf of my two sons Robert Lewis Taggart and John Taggart to be given to them at the discretion of the said James Taggart and John Donnald Whom I Nominate, constitute and appoint Executors of this my last Will and testiment.

9th. Whatever may remain in the hands of my Executors afeter payment of my debts, my Will is that one fifth part thereof be given to my son Robert Lewis, and the remainder to my unfortunate son John-Taggart, their heirs & assigns forever- and Lastly, having constituted & appointed my Executors & Trustees, I hereby revoke renounce and fu lly disannul all former Willsor Wills by me heretofore made: Acknowledging and confirming this and no other to be my last Will and testiment. The words in trust & ten lines from the part of the second page (interlined before signing.)

Signed, sealed, published and declared as & for
the last Will & Testiment of the said Moses Taggart:
In the presence of Testators & at his request,
and in the presence of each other signed our names
as Witnesses thereto Signed-sealed & acknowledged in the
presoense of us 9 July 1841 MOSES TAGGART(L.S.)

I. H. Wilson

John F. Livingston

Thos P. Spienin

WILL OF [30-666]

JOHN DUNN

South Carolina)
Abbeville District) To wit,

I John Dunn of Said State and District do make and declare this to be my last will and testament:

1st. I desire that my just debts and funeral expenses be paid :

2d. II I give and bequeath all my estate of every Kind whatsoever, Consisting of principally of Single bills, notes, Judgments, Mortgages, and Choses in Action, and all the proceeds thereof, to my beloved wife Jane C Dunn, to her forever, subject to the Legacies to my neices as below:

3d I give to my four neices Ally Ann Dunn, Jane Dunn, Margaret Dunn, and Elizabeth J Dunn children of my brother James Dunn one hundred Dollars each:

4th. I give any residue of my estate of any Kind whatsoever to my wife as in Second clause of this Will:

5th. I appoint John Wier executor of this my last Will and testament:

Signed, Sealed, and published
the 1st. September 1841 as the last will and t
last will and testament of John Dunn (Seal)
John Dunn in presence of

Wm. Dunn
Joseph Lyon
-Thomas Thomson

WILL OF [4-69]

JONATHAN ARNOLD

State of South Carolina)
Abbevill District)

In the name of GOD, Amain, I Jonathan Arnold, Knowing that it is appointed for all men Once to die, do recomend my Soul to God Who gave it. & my body to the Earth, to be decently Entered, in a Christian like manner, -

I will that my funeral Espenses & all my just debts be paid, -

I will & bequeath the proceeds of the ballance of my Estate including the lands whareon I now reside, Containing one Hundred Acres be the Same more or less unto my two daughters Susannah Arnold & Sarah Arnold, to be Equally divided between them when they Shall become of age or marry.

I will & hereby constitute & appoint my well beloved wife Nancy Arnold my lawfull Executrix, to attend to the right & nurture of our Children.

In witness whare of I have hereunto Subscribed my name & affixed my Seal this 17th day of July, in the year of our Lord Eighteen Hundred & thirty Seven. & in the Sixty second Year of the Soveringity, & independence of the United States of AMErica.

Signed & Sealed in)
Presents of -------) - Jonathan his X mark Arnold (Seal)

Henry Rush

S.B.Cook

Jno. HEARST Jr..

WILL OF [23-516]

MARY CRAYTON

South Carolina) In the name of God Amen I Mary Craton of
Abbeville District) the state and district aforesaid being Week in body but of sound mind and memory do ordain this my last will and testament first I will my soul to God who Gave it and body to the dust as my Children and Neighbours shall think proper Second Second one hundred dollars apeace to the Children of my son Samuel that is to say. Balis franklin one hundred dollars to Mary Jane one hundred dollars and one bed and furniture to thomas one hundred dollars second to my daughter Eastin Reed all the house hold firniter ecsept one bed and firniture and that to my Daughter Eastens Daughter Mary and to my daughter Easten Reed one bay Mare and Saddle and all the ballance of my property to be sold and to be Eaquilly devided among my Son thomases and my Son Williams Children eccept one Gray house and that I Will to William Green and moreover my daughter Easter Reed to shear and eaquil part with my Sons thomas and William Children

and I Wish Henry Reed and Hezekiah Wakefield to be my executers

this 29eteh day of March 1834.

BenjaminGriffin
James A Gantt
John P Wright

Mary her . mark Crayton

Qualified Henry Reed Exor

WIDL OF [68-1675]

SAMUEL MORRIS

In the name of God Amen. I Samuel Morris of the State -* of So Carolina and District of Abbeville - being in weak state of body. but of sound mind and Memory Glory to God for the same: do make and declare this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following. Viz, it is my will and desire that my Just debts be punctually paid. I Will and bequeath to my Loving Wife Margaret Morris all my landed Estate including the plnantation on whichh I/ now Live with the Davidson place. and Also one bay Mare Hock during her natural life. I also Will and bequeth to my four children Louisa M.Morris James H. Morris Elizabeth Morris & Sarah Jane Morris each seven hundred Dollars. And I do empower my executors to bring the balance of my property to Sale and divide the proceeds after giving one third to my loving Wife Margaret Morris. equally among my Six Children.- Mariah N.C. Martin - Samuel T. Morris Louisa.M Morris James.H. Morris Elizabeth Morris &&Sarah Jane Morris. And I do Nominate and appoint my faithful friend.Archibald Kennedy and Doctor Geo.W Pressly my only and sole executors of this my last Will and testament ~~-signed-in-presence~~ of

Sam[l] Morris (L S)

in witness whereof ~~whereof~~ I hereunto
Set my hand & Seal this 30th July 1841
in the year of our Lord one thousand eifht hundred & forty one

in presence of
- John Ruff
Henry Fosbrook
John Riley

I also will and bequeath to my loving Wife the Gin and thrasher with the running gears

Proven by the Oath of John Ruff and qualified both Exor. 17 Aug. 1841

Moses Taggert ACD

WILL OF [104-2536]

ISAAC YOUNG

South carolina Abbeville District In the Name of God amen I Isac. Yong of State and District aforesaid Being of Sound Mind & Memory and Calling to Mind the uncertainty of Life and the Certainty of Death and Being Desirous to Dispose of all Such worldly Estate as it hath pleased God to Bless me with Do make this my Last will and testament in manner following first my will is to be Deasently Burred at the mulbury meting house and after that my Desire is that all my Just Debts be paid By my Executor and I further State that I Stand indebted to My Brother Valentine Yong as Adm. of my fathers Estate the Amount I Cant tell what But whatever acount he pro Duces I Confess Just) thin I Desire SO much of my Property as will pay all my Debts to Be Sold then the Balance of my Estate my will is to be Eaqually Devided Between My Beloved wife Mabiah and her Child that She is with at this time and if She Should not Bring a Living Child My Desire is that my wife Shall own all my Estate after the pament of all My Debts Lastly I appoint Ezekiel Rasor My Lawful Executor in witness I have Set my hand & Seal this 8th July 1841

test Wm Barmore

John Rasor

Valentine Young

Isaac his X mark Yong - (L.S.)

WILL OF [23-317]

GREEN B CRAWFORD

State of South Carolina) In the name of God Amen. I Green B
Abbeville District) Crawford of the State and District aforesaid being of Sound mind and disposing memory and calling to mind the uncertainty of life and being desirous to dispose of All the Worldly Estate as it hath pleased God to bless me with do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following. And first I desire that after my decease that my Executors herein after mentioned pay all my Just debts and funeral expenses out of the monry on hand. And 2nd I Will and bequeath to my Son George B Crawford One Negro Woman named Nancy about thirty five years old and her two Sons one named Butler about Six years old and the other named Governour about Sixteen months old to him and his bodily heirs but Should he die in minority or without any bodily heirs then the Said three negroes Nancy. Butler . and Governour return to my Surviving Children or their heirs. 3rd I give and bequeath to my Son James Bunion Crawford One Negro Woman Named Charlotte about Sixteen years old and her child named Queen about Ten Months old to him and his bodily heirs but Should he die without any bodily heirs or in minority then the Said Negro woman Charlotte and her child Queen to my Surviving Children or the heirs of their body 4th I will and bequeath to my daughter Mary Louisa Crawford Our Negro Girl named Rodah about thirteen years old and two Hundred Dollars in money to Her and her bodily heirs but Should She die in minority or without any bodily heir then the Said Negro Girl Rodah and the two hundred Dollars in money return to my Surviving children or their heirs. 5th I will that all the Balance of my Estate both Real and Personal of what Nature or quality Soever it may be not herein before particularly disposed of be by my Executors hereinafter mentioned Sold and equally divided among my Several Children above named and if either of my three above named die without any bodily heirs. then their respective of this undived Part of my Estate to return to the Balance of my three above named Children- 6th And lastly I do hereby constitute and Appoint My friends and Neighbours William Harris and John Kennedy Executors of this my last Will and Testament In Testimony whereof I have hereunto Set