

WILL OF [137-3886]
HENRY BOOZER

In the name of God amen. I Henry Boozer of the State of South Carolina and of the District of Abbeville, being sound in mind but infirm in body and aware of the uncertainty of life, do declare and acknowledge the following, to be, my last Will and Testament, To wit.

- Art. 1st It is my will and desire, that my debts be paid, with cash on hand, notes, accounts and proceeds of sale, as soon as my Executors may find it practicable .
- Art. 2nd It is my will and desire, that the whole of my Wier and Major Tracts of Land be sold; and that about one hundred Acres, of my Blackburn Tract of land, be cut off by my Executors from said Tract and also sold.
- Art. 3^d I will and bequeath to my Wife Mary Boozer, the home Tract of land, (the one on which I now live)
- Art. 4th I will and Bequeath to my Daughter Elvira Leavell, the Negro Girl Laura, which she has now in her possession, in lieu of the one I gave her at her Marriage, which is now dead.
- Art. 5th I will and bequeath to my Son Hugh Dickson, three hundred Dollars over and above his distributive share in my Estate, for the purpose of raising and educating him.
- Art. 6th It is my will and desire, that all my Negroes (except Laura) be divided between my Wife and Children.
- Art. 7th It is my will and desire, that all the balance of my Estate, be sold.
- Art. 8th It is my will and desire that my Executors appoint three disinterested Commissioners, whose duty, it shall be to divide my Negroes into ten as equal shares as possible, place a value upon each lot, certified to by them, and hand the same to my Executors; and that my Wife and Children, each, draw for her or his lot. It shall be the further duty of said Commissioners, to fix a value upon all property, that I have heretofore advanced to any of my Children, except the Girl I gave to my Daughter Elvira Leavell which is not to be charged to her, but in lieu of her, the one I now bequeath to her, named Laura, under article fourth. And to hand over the same with their cer-

tificate, to my Executors, as a guide for them in a final settlement of my Estate.

Art. 9^h After the specific legacies, named in former articles are taken out, It is my will and desire, that my Wife Mary Boozer and my Children, John Boozer Simon P. Boozer, William Boozer, David Boozer, Hugh Dickson Boozer, Hamilton Boozer, Elvira Leavelle, Barbary Blackburn and Caroline Hugby, share equally and alike in the distribution of my Estate, each one of my Children however to whom advances have been made, being required to account for the same, according to the estimate of the Commissioners whose appointment I have provided for in Article eight.

Art. 10th I hereby appoint my Son in law, Robert Leavell and my Son John Boozer Executors of this, my last Will and Testament, and charge them with the faithful execution thereof.

Witness my hand and seal this the 16th day of December in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and fifty four.

Test.

Henry Boozer (L.S.)

L H Smith

James Hugby

Ja.^s H. Riley

WILL OF [139-3926]
JOSEPH MARSHALL

South Carolina }
Abbeville District }

30th day of November 1855.

In the name of God Amen.

I Joseph Marshall being weak in body but of sound mind memory and understanding; do make this my last will, and testament in manner and form following.

Item 1st----- My will is, that my Executors hereafter named shall pay all my lawful debts, and decently enter my body near my Mother with a tombstone to designate where my dust lies, at their discretion.

Item 2nd My will is, that each of my Brothers, & sisters, or their lawfull representatives shall be paid by my Executors the sum of ^{dollars} twohundred / each, as soon as the same can be made out of my estate.

Item 3rd I give, and bequeath unto My sister Jane M Williams the following Negroes; Jim, Abram, John, and Martha in her own right, and the sum of two thousand dollars to be paid over to her by my executors out of my estate.

Item 4th I give, and bequeath unto my niece Mary Isabella, Jane, Gray a family of Negroes - viz George, Mary, Allen, Washington, Jane, Cathrine Maria, & Emily, with their future increase - the above named negroes I bequeath unto the said Mary, Isabella, Jane Gray during her life and at her death to be equally divided between her issue, or the heirs of her body ---

Item 5th My will and desire is, that all my negroes not above named shall be sold by my executors as soon as convenient after my decease at auction, on a credit of twelve months, and that / ^{my} executors shall allow Harry, Maria, Edwin, Jasper, and Harriet for herself, & her two youngest, to choose their own masters, her remaining three children Samuel to be sold alone, & the twins Phill, & Sarah to be sold in one lot . -----

Item 6th I give, and bequeath unto my brothers Hugh Marshall, & John Marshall, and unto my Nephews Joseph Steene Marshall, unto my Nephew Absalom L. Gray, and also, unto my Neice Mary Jane Orr, and unto my Nephew ~~Joseph~~ Joseph Warren Waldo Marshall to each one, to be paid by my Executors the sum of one thousand dollars, but

if my Estate should fall short of the amount named in this last bequest, my Will / ^{is} that my Executors shall pay to each an equal portion or dividend.

Item 7th My Will is, that all the remainder, and residue of my Estate after paying off all the above legacies, and bequests shall be paid to my Nephew George Washington Marshall, or his gardian for him, & for his use, & benefit, &

Item 8th My Will / ^{is} that my Executors shall cause to be sold at public auction all my real and personal property, or estate, on a credit of twelve months as soon after my decease as practicable so as to advance the interest of the same .-----

Lastly, I do hereby nominate, and appoint my two Nephews Joseph Steene Marshall, and Joseph Warren Waldo Marshall my Execetors of this my last Will, and testament which I hereby subscribe, and publish and pronounce as such.

In witness whereof I do this day subscribe my name. (The words my - is - is, was enterlined before signed .and also the Word dollars)

Witness

Joseph Marshall

Jonathan Jordan

James Douglass

James W Richey

WILL OF [138-3902]

REV. SAMUEL DUNWOODY

South Carolina) In the name of God, Amen
 Abbeville District) I Samuel Dunwoody 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 desir-
 ous to dispose of all such worldly estate as it has pleased God
 to bless me with, do make and ordain this my last Will, in manner
 following, that is to say :

After payment of my debts, I Give to my beloved wife Lavinia Dunwoody for and during the term of her natural life the following property (Viz)

My House and lot in Cokesbury in which I now reside My household and Kitchen furniture, also my live stock including horses Cattle hogs etc.

I Moreover bequeath to my beloved Wife Lavinia Dunwoody during the term of her natural life a tract of land, lying and being on the Waters of Cornacrer Creek, Containing one hundred & twenty acres more or less, bounded by lands of Cha^s Smith, L. D. Merremon and G. W. Hodges.

Also I bequeath to my beloved Wife Lavinia Dunwoody during her natural life, the following Slaves Viz Clarisa Anthony, Guy, Indiana and her child Middleton Louisa & her five children Viz Gibert Edmund Calhoun, Peter, Ella, also Harriet Sarah, Philander Martha, John, Anna, Reuben and George,

And Moreover I bequeath to my beloved wife Lavinia Dunwoody to be held in Fee Simple, Subject to her own disposal My house & lot in Saint Mathews Parish Orangeburg district, Containing nine acres more or less, bounded by Rev.^d John Wannamaker and others - provided Said house & lot is not disposed of at my death.

I Give and bequeath to my Son Samuel Hart, who has devoted himself to the ministry, the whole of my Library without any exception, At the death of my wife Lavinia Dunwoody I Give and bequeath to my three Children, Samuel Hart Susan Esther and Lavinia Ann Frances and to their heirs and assigns forever. All of the above property (except the House & lot in Saint Mathews Parish and the Library) or whatever may be held and owned by her after paying all just debts, to be equally divided by

to be equally divided by appraisement of three disinterested individuals, each child choosing one, or in case this mode is not satisfactory, then the property to be sold and the money arising from the sale, to be equally divided amongst them as above named.

And lastly, I do constitute and appoint my said wife executrix, and my friends Chas^s Smith and Doctor F.G. Thomas Executors of this my last will and testament, by me heretofore made in testimony whereof I have hereunto ~~made~~ set my hand and affixed my seal, this the first day of May in the year of Our Lord One thousand eight hundred and forty nine and in the Seventy Second year of the Independence of the United States of America.

Signed Sealed published & declared
as and for the last Will & Testament of the above named Samuel Dunwoody In the presence of us.

Test.

Henry Bass)
W.A. Gamewell)
Geo. W. W. Stone)

Samuel Dunwoody . (LS)

WILL OF (140-3911)

WILLIAM W WILSON

In the name of God Amen. I William W Wilson of Abbeville District and State of South Carolina being weak in body, but of sound mind and memory, do constitute, make and appoint this my last will and Testament; That is, I give and bequeath my Soul unto God who gave it, nothing doubting but, at the day of final accounts, to receive the just reward of my labors, and my body to the earth to be buried in a decent manner. As to my worldly affairs, with which God has blest me, I give and bequeath in the manner and form following viz, - Item 1st I wish ^{that} all my just debts be paid, out of the proceeds of the sale of my horse & guns

Item 2nd I will and bequeath my Buggy and harness unto my Mother Lucinda Wilson.

Item 3rd The remainder of my property I wish to be equally divided between my Father and Mother Brothers and Sisters; my Brother Thomas to receive my watch at valuation.

Item 4th I wish that the portion of my property, that may be given to my sister Elizabeth Little, be entailed upon her and her children forever.

Item 5th I do hereby appoint my Brother Samuel A Wilson my executor to this my last will and Testament, to proceed in all things agreeable to the tenor of the same as fully as the law directs.

Given under my hand and seal this the twenty fourth day of October, in the year of our Lord 1854,

Signed, Sealed and delivered in the presence of

of

William W Wilson (L.S)

James M Chiles

John C. Chiles

The^o Johnson

WILL OF [137-3590]
JAMES S. BASKIN

In the name of God Amen-

I James S. Baskin of the State of South Carolina, and District of Abbeville being of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding, do make and ordain this my last will and testament, in manner following:

It is my will that my whole estate real and personal, be sold by my Executors, and that all my just debts be paid with the proceeds.

It is my will that the residus of the money arising from the sale of my property, be held by the trustees herein after appointed, in trust for the sole and seperate use of my daughter Jane E. Baskin, and such child or children as she may hereafter have, not subject to the debts or contracts of her husband if she should ever marry.

If my said daughter die leaving a child or children, it is my wish that the money herein given to her and them, be taken by them discharged of any trust, and the trustees hereinafter appointed are directed to deliver it to them.

If my said daughter die without leaving a child or children, living at her death I will and bequeath one thousand dollars of the money herein before bequeathed to her, to the Presbytery of the Old school Presbyterian Church of South Carolina.

I hereby appoint William H Simpson and William S. M^c Bride trustees of my said daughter Jane E. Baskin and Executors of this my last will and testament.

In testimony whereof I have hereto affixed my seal and subscribed my name this twenty fifth day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty four.

Signed, sealed and delivered as and for
 his last will and testament, in our
 presence & subscribed by us as witnesses
 of its due execution, in his presence and
 in presence of each other

J.S. Baskin (L. S)

S.R. Morrah

Octavius T Porcher

J.S. Robinson

WILL OF [138-3915]
JOHN HUNTER

State of South Carolina)
)
 Abbeville District)

In the name of God Amen :

I John Hunter of the State and district aforesaid, being of Sound mind an 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 in manner following, that is to say :

1st) I will and bequeath to my wife Jane all my negroes, whose names are as follows, Linda, Elizabeth, Quintine, Frances, Ann, Embly, Martha and Cornelia, to be hers in feesimple forever, these my negroes to be appraised by five disinterested persons, four of whom are to be chosen by my Executor and Executrix, and the other to be chosen by the appraisers themselves, and I desire that half the amount of whatever they may be appraised at, to be divided between the other persons hereinafter mentioned in this my will. I also will and bequeath unto her, half of my tract of land after being sold or appraised as the case may be, if appraised, this to be done by the persons chosen as above. I also bequeath unto her my watch, and whatever of household goods or furniture She may choose, and also whatever provisions She might need while remaining on the premises .

2nd) I will and bequeath unto William Washington Hunter, one fourth the amount of my tract of Land after appraisement or Sale as the case may be, to him and his bodily heirs forever, I desire also that William W. Hunter receive one fourth the amount of whatever the above named negroes may be appraised at; I also will to him my rifle Gun, which is to be his.

3rd) I also will and bequeath to Margaret Porterfield, John H. Porterfield and Mary Porterfield one fourth the amount of my tract of land, either at the appraisement or Sale as the case may be. My desire is that Margaret Porterfield and John H Porterfield & Mary Porterfield also receive one fourth the amount of whatever the abovenamed negroes may be appraised at, These amounts to be divided equally between them. The whole amount to be held by William W. Hunt-

er as their trustee or guardian to be dealt out to them at what time and in whatever way he thinks proper. He also having the power to lend it out in the most profitable manner :

4th) I desire that the remainder of my personal property be Sold, and whatever notes or moneys on hand to be applied to paying my Just debts and funeral expenses, And the Surplus to be divided as follows : one half to go to my wife Jane, one fourth of the whole amount to W^m W. Hunter, and the other fourth to be distributed equally between Margaret Porterfield, John Porterfield, and Mary Porterfield, theirs to be subject to the same restrictions as mentioned above. Likewise I make, constitute and appoint William W. Hunter executor, and my wife Jane executrix of this my last will and testament, hereby revoking all former wills by me made, Giving My Executor and executrix full power to Sell any property that may have to be sold, whither Land or other ~~###~~ property.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto Subscribed my name, and affixed my Seal, the ninth day of September, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty four.

John Hunter (LS)

The above -written instrument was subscribed by the said John Hunter in our presence, and acknowledged by him to each of us: and he at the same time published and declared the above instrument so subscribed to be his last will and testament; and we, at the testators' request, and in his presence, have signed our names as witnesses hereto.

WK Bradley
John Bradley
J. F. M^cComb.

WILL OF [137-3899]
DELILA COVIN

In the name of God Amen

I Delila Covin of Abbeville District and State of South Carolina Sound of mind and memory thanks^{be} to God for the Same. Calling to mind the mortality of my body. I ordain this for my last Will and Testament that is first of all I commit my Soul into the hands of God who give it and my body to the Earth to be bered in a Christian manner and as touching my worley Estat which it has pleased God to bless me I give Bequeth and dispose in the following manner viz.

In the first place I appoint Lewis Covin Executor to this my will. I give and bequeth to my grand daughter Louisa E Covin^{daughte of Joseph Covin} and her Children. a negro girl Eliza and one read Spoted heifer (Sprink) I Give and Biqueth to my daughter Mary / ^{McAllister} the wife of Thomas McAllister and her Children one negro woman Rose. I Give and Bequeth to my daughter Loucinda J McAllister wife / ^{Andrew} Andrew McAllister and my daughter Sarah A Covin my Intrest in the land belonging to the Estate of John P Covin which is one one third I also give to My 2 daughters Sarah A Covin and Loucinda J McAllister all of my house hold and kitchen firniture and all of my Stock consisting of hogs and Cattle and one horse

As respects my debts I order and request that they be paid Equally between Andrew McAllister Thomas McAllister and Sarah A Covin I Give and bequeth to my Son Lazneth S Covin and James W Covin David T Covin and Joseph S Covin each one dollar to be paid out of my Estate

Witness my hand and Seel this 28 of Sept in the year of our lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty four.

Signed Seled in the present
of

D Delila Covin (L.S)

P L Guillebeau

John Harmon

J. J. Guillebeau

P. B. Moragne

WILL OF (146-3958)
DAVID WALKER

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

I David Walker being of Sound Mind and Memory do
Make this My last will and Testament. -

Item 1st After My death when My crop is prepared Sale I wish
My Exucutor to Sell all My property except My land, on
a credit of twelve Months ^{with} interest from the date.-

Item 2nd If My children wish to remaine together on My land it
is My wish for them to do So but at any time they May
wish to Seperate- it is My wish for My Exucutor to Sell
My land or to have it appraised and any one or More of
Them Can take it at the appraisement, and if They remane
together untill My youngest Sone John Fletcher comes of
age Then I wish it to be Sold

Item 3rd at the death of My aunt Shelnut, My Exucutor Will Claim
the two Negroes Willed to Mee by My friend Shelnut and
take possession of them and if eathor of My Children
wish to Keep them let them take them at a fair appraise-
ment if not they Must be Sold to the highest bidder and
when all demands against My Estate is Settled Each of My
Children are ti have an Equal Shear of My Estate.

Item 4th I herby appoint My friend Irvin Hutchison My Exu-
cutor of This My last Will and testament, in witness
whereof I have hereunto Set My hand and Seal.

This twelveth day of September Eighteen-hundred and
fifty four 1854

David Walker (LS)

Signed Sealed and delivered }
in presents of us }
M Hutchison }
Edmond Walker }
J.S. Chipley }

WILL OF [138-3820]

WILEY KEMP

State of South Carolina)
Abbeville District }

In the name of God Amen

I Wiley Kemp of the State & district aforesaid aforesaid being frail in body, but of sound & disposing mind and being admonished by my present affliction that my life is short, and also being desirous to make some disposition of my worldly effects, do make and ordain this my last will and Testament.

And first I consign my body to the dust from whence it came, and my spirit to God who gave it.

Item 2nd It is my Will and desire, that after my decease, that as much of my personal Estate be sold by my Executor as may be necessary to pay my just debts

Item 3rd It is my Will that after my just debts are all paid and settled by my Executor. I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Jamima Kemp all my Real and personal Estate (viz) Land and plantation Negroes with stock of various kinds such as horses, cattle, hogs household, and kitchen furniture and all of my Estate that may remain after my just debts are paid. this property that is left to my beloved wife Jamima Kemp in this my last Will and Testament is to her, intire, to do and dispose of as she may see propper.

Item 4th. It is my Will and desire that my friend John J. Keller should act as Executor of this my last Will and Testament - Signed sealed, published & declared & acknowledged to be my last Will and Testament. this 28th day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & Fiftythree and seventy ninth of American Independence of U.S.

In the presence of David Keller

Wiley X Kemp (LS) mark

Joseph, M, Ellis

John E Ellis Jun

WILL OF [138-3916]
THOMAS GORDON

In the name of God! Amen.

I Thomas Gordon of Abbeville District and state of South Carolina, being at this time in the possession of my mental faculties, though frail in Body, taking into consideration the uncertainty of this mortal life, and knowing that I soon must die, do, in consequence, now make this as my last Will and Testament. ----

First . I commend my Soul to Almighty God, through the merits of the Greatt Redeemer Jesus Christ; and my body to the dust, from whence it was taken, -- to be buried in a decent manner.

Secondly.
I order all my just debts to be paid, as soon after my decease as possible, and as much of my property to be sold by my executors, for this purpose as they may deem most proper.

Thirdly.
I will and beq. eath, and devise all my remaining property - both real and personal to my beloved wife Mary, during her Widowhood, but should she marry again, then and in that case, or at her death, I order and direct, Will and bequeath, a certain negro girl about nine or ten years of age & of the name of Sally, as well as her future increase, to my daughter Nancy Elizabeth. to her and her heirs forever.

Fourthly. I direct and order, in the event of my wife's marriage, or death that my executors sell all the balance of my estate, both real and personal to the highest bidder, and I bequeath to my said wife Mary One third of the proceeds thereof, and the remaining two thirds, I direct to be equally divided amongst my children by my said Wife, Mary - namely, my Sons Thomas, Abraham, James, Robert, and my daughter the aforementioned Nancy Elizabeth.

Fifthly
I hereby appoint my Sons William and Thomas Executors of this my last will and Testament, hereby and herein revoking and disannulling all former Wills and Testaments by me made, and establishing this as my last Will and Testament.

In Witness whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name, and affixed my seal this Seventh day of December in the

year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and fifty three, and
in the Seventy eighth year of the Independence of the United
States of America,

Signed, Sealed, Published &
declared by Tho^s. Gordon the
testator, as his last Will &
Testament in the presence of
us : who at his request, and
in the presence of each other
signed and in the presence of
the testator, signed our names
as witnesses, the day and year
above written.

his
Tho^s X Gordon (Seal)
mark

- David Keller
- Andrew Robinson
- Jas Cunningham

WILL OF [138-311]
JOHN GRAY

The State of South Carolina }
Abbeville District }

In the name of God Amen. I John

Gray of the State & District affs^d being of Sound and disposing mind and memory but weak in body, and calling to mind the uncertainty of life and that it is appointed for all - men once to die; do make and ordain this my last Will & Testament in & form following (Viz)

first I commend my Soul into the hands of Almighty God who gave it & my body to be decently interred in a christian Manner
Item, It is my will & desire that all my Just debts be paid out of the notes on hand which I believe will be amply Sufficiant & fifty dollars/ to the Southern board of foreign Missions to Constitute my son the Rev, W^m A Gray a life Member that money to be Sent to the Rev. J L, Merreck missionary to Persia,-----

Item, It is my will & desire, that my beloved wife Elizabeth Shall have a Negro girl named Ailey during her Matural life at her death the s^d Ailey with her Increase if any be Equall divided by appraissment between My Sons W^m A and John H Gray also that my Wife Elizebeth have all my house hold & kitchen furniture one horse or its equivelent in Money also that each of my sons pay there mother during her life one Hundred dalars Each per Anum if she should require it during her life & at ther death she make such a distribution of the above property as she sees proper except the Girl to be disposed of as above Stated -

Item , It is my will and desire that my son John H Gray have all my lands more Orless My Waggon, horses, plantation tools. & Clock.
also I give to my Son John, ^{H,} negro girl named chany & to my Son W^m A Gray a negro boy named Bolaver the s^d negros Chany & Bolaver to be appraised & John H. to pay W^m A Gray the difference in Valluation so as to make them equal

Item, It is my will & desire that the ballance of my negros ten in number be equally divided between my sons W^m A Gray & John Harris Gray by appraisment In such a manner as will most satisfactory also that my son John H. Gray take all my Stock of cattle & Hogs by appraisment & pay one half of there Valluation to my son W^m A Gray

so that each one may Share & Share alike

Item. ~~My present crop of cotton when sold & all expenses paid~~

It is my will & desire that my present crop of cotton be sold & all expenses paid & one third of the proffet be given to my beloved wife Elizabeth one third to my son W^m A Gray and one third to my son John Harris Gray

Item. It is my will & desire that My Grand Son W^m A.G. Boyd have One Thousand Dollars out of my Estate for the ~~purpose~~ purpose of giving him a good Clasecal education provided he be capable of taking Such if otherwise to get it in cash when he arrives at the age of Twenty one & Should he the s^d W^m A G Boyd die without heirs that is without legetamate heirs of his own body the money to remain with my own legatees the Money to be paid to W^m A G. Boyd by W^m A, Gray paying five Hundred dollars out of his destributive Share & John H Gray payin Five Hundred dollars out of his destributive Share B Each without Int. when the s^d W^m A G Boyd comes to the age of Twenty One

And lastly I do hereby Nominate constitute & appoint My son John Harris Gray my Executor of this my last will & Testament hereby revoking and annulling all & every other Will and Testament by me heretofore made and ratifying and Confirming this and no other as my last Will and Testament

Signed Sealed published & declared

by the said John Gray as & for his

last Will & Testament in the presence

of us who at his request & in his pres-

ence & in the presence of each other have subscribed

subscribed our names as Witnesses there-

unto this Twenty first day of October I

the year of our Lord 1857

W^m Brooks

Henry H. Penney

And^w Gillespie sen

John Gray (LS)

WILL OF [137-3894]

SAMUEL COWAN

State of South Carolina }
Abbeville District }

In the name of God Amen, I Samuel Cowan
of the State and District aforesaid be-

ing of sound mind and disposing memory do make and ordain this my
last Will and Testament. And first I give and recommend my Soul to
God who gave it and My body to be buried in a christian like man-
ner, And as touching Such Worldly Estate, wherewith it hath pleased
God to bless me in this life, I give, demise, bequeath, and dispose of
the Same in the following manner and form.

First I will and bequeath to my beloved wife Jane Cowan, All my
landed Estate consisting of Two Plantations or Tracts of Land, both
lying in the District aforesaid, One lying in the fork of Little riv-
er and Long Cane creek, containing about Two Hundred and ninety sev-
en Acres more or less and the other, the Plantation on which I now
live containing about Two Hundred and Forty four. acres more or less,
and my Borouch and Two Horses of her own Selection out of my Stock
of Horses, and all my house hold and Kitchen furniture except such
as I may hereinafter dispose of. Together with Ten Negroes namely
Ben Sarah with hir future increase Wash Andrew Stephen Susan New-
man Frances Green & Alick. All the above Property and its proceeds
to be hers forher own use and comfort during her life under the
especial care and management and controle of my Executors herein-
after mentioned. But at her death all the above named Property to
be Sold by my Executors hereinafter mentioned and the Proceeds of
said sail to be equally divided between my Eight Children, namely
Robert Simpson Cowan Shepperd Grace Cowan Amanda Tolbert Wade
Cowan William Nixon cowan Edmund Cowan Charles Wesley Cowan and
Mary Jane Cason.

As I have already given off a certain Portion of my Personal Estate
to my above named Eight Children I now Will that all the remainder
of my Estate be sold by my Executors hereinafter mentioned and out
of the proceeds of said sail all my Just debts to be paid and the
remainder if any to be Equally divided between my above named Eight
Children

And lastly I do hereby ordain and appoint my son Edmund Cowan and
James C Willard Executors of this my last Will and Testament revoc-

king and disallowing all former Wills and Testaments, heretofore made by me and do declare this to be my last Will and Testament In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the fifteenth day of December in the year of our Lord Eighteen Hundred and Fifty one

Sighed, published, pronounced and declared by the said Samuel Cowan as his last will and Testament in the presence of us who in his presence and in the presence of each other have hereunto subscribed our names.

A, A, Noble

Samuel Cowan (LS)

J. B. Willard

S. J. Willard

WILL OF
[138-2919]
S. T. C. P. JONES

The State of South Carolina }
Abbeville District }

In the name of God Amen : -----

I, S. T. C. P. Jones, of Mount Pleasant, Abbeville District, South Carolina, do make & publish this My last Will & Testament, as follows : -----

1. I will & direct that all my just debts & funeral expenses be paid :

2. I will & direct that my Executors, hereinafter named, do make Sale of all my estate, both real & personal, & from the proceeds or rather from the interest of the proceeds, if the interest be Sufficient, if not Sufficient, from the principal of the proceeds of such Sale, pay to my wife Hellena Three hundred Dollars annually for her Support & maintenance, if not Sufficient for such purpose, he pay her an additional Sum not exceeding One hundred Dollars more :

3. I will & bequeath, after the death of my wife, out of said proceeds Fifteen Hundred Dollars to my niece Mary Elizabeth Jones, daughter of H/W/Jones Esqr - to her & the heirs of her body, for ever - with this injunction to my Executor - to have said Sum So Settled that it shall be in trust for the sole & separate use of my said niece not subject to the control, management, contracts, liabilities or indebtedness of any husband She may have : -----

4. I will & bequeath a Similar Sum to wit, Fifteen hundred Dollars to my Niece Sarah Fickling Jones, the second daughter of my brother H. A. Jones; to her & the heirs of her body forever - Subject to like trust, & restrictions; after the death of my said wife, out of said proceeds : -----

5 : Should my said wife marry again, the provision I have made for her in the 2nd Clause of my will, I will & direct that my Executor restrict & limit to Two Hundred Dollars, to be paid her for her sole & separate use, not to be subject to the management, control or liabilities of her husband, annually, instead of the Sum of Three hundred Dollars : -----

6 : I will & bequeath to my two nieces, Eugenia Barmoe & Frances Barmoe, daughters of Enoch Barmoe Esq, out of the proceeds of my estate, sold as contemplated, each Three hundred & fifty Dollars to be

paid by my Executor, after the death of my said/wife, subject to like trusts, &/limitations to the bequests to my nieces first above named :

7. I will & direct that my executor pay to my niece Mary Townes Jones, and Calhoun Jones, children of Dr. N/S. Jones, of/ Wetumpka Ala -----each Five Hundred Dollars, out/ of the proceeds of my Estate as aforesaid to be/ paid them by my Executor, after the death of/ my Said Wife - which I will & bequeath to them &/ their heirs forever -

8 : Should either of my said Nieces die without leaving children living at their death, my will & desire is that the portion above given to them be given & vested in the Surviving Sister of such deceased, Subject to/ the Same trusts as above : and the portion to my nephew, should he die not having children, be vested in his Surviving Sister : -----

9 My nephew D.F. Jones is now indebted to/ me by notes in the Sum/ of about Seven/ hundred & forty Dollars: Should this not /be/ paid during my life, I will that the indebtedness be cancelled &/ his notes as/ now existing be delivered up to /him by/ my Executor : -----

At present, my estate consists altogether in notes, moneys, & choses in action - I/ having sold/ my land &/ negroes to my brother/ H./ A./ Jones but/ should I/ own land &/ negroes at my death, I will & desire that the same be/ subject to the dispositions of this my last will &/ testament as effectually as if I were now seized &/ possessed of th^e Same :

10 : All the residue of my estate after the death of my/ said beloved wife, I will &/ bequeath to my two nieces first above named, ^{like} to wit, Mary Elizabeth, & Sallie Fickling Jones, subject to the/ trusts &/ limitations as the portions first given to them - &/ in case of the death. of/ either without leaving children living, the part of/ that one, to /be/ vested in/ the Survivor - This residue to/ be/ divided share & share alike : -----

11 : Except the old/ clock, family Bible, chest & folding table, which articles I here give to my Niece Sallie F. Jones, & library of Books which I give to my nephew D.F. Jones, I will the/ rest/ of my household furniture to/ my said wife -- except one/ set of china I now/ have, which I will to Eugenia Barmoe :

12 : I will & bequeath Three/ hundred & fifty Dollars out/ of

the proceeds of my/estate after the/ Death of/my said wife, to my Niece Sarah/Williamson, Three hundred/ &/ fifty Dolls - Subject to like trusts as the abv bequests - & in case/ of her/ death not h having children, to Mary Traynham, &/ her/ heirs forever -----

I constitute & appoint my brother H.A. Jones, Executor of this my last will &/ testament. hereby empowering him to/ sell &/ convey any real Estate I may die seized of, for/ the purpose of carrying out this will -

In witness whereof. I have ~~se~~ hereunto Set my hand &/ Seal, this Sixteenth day of January A. D. one/ thousand eight hundred &/ fifty. forev ---

Signed. Sealed, published, &/ declared
in the presence/ of/ us who have/ signed
the same in presence of the testator
&/ of each other

Isaac Branch
W.C. Davis
G.H. Wilson

S, T, C, P, Jones (L.S)

WILL OF [37-3882]
EDWARD ALLEN

The State of South Carolina }
Abbeville District }

In the name of God - Amen -

I Edward Allen being feeble in health but of sound and disposing mind and memory make and declare this to be my last will and testament -

Item 1st I wish all my just Debts paid -

Item 2^d After payment of my Debts I will and direct and hereby bequeath unto my beloved wife Sarah all my estate and property of every and whatsoever during and for the term of her natural life.

Item 3^d After the death of my wife Sarah I will and direct that She my wife Sarah shall have power to dispose by deed or will one half of the estate and property given to her for life, and should she not dispose of the same by deed or will then the one half is to go to her next of kin.

Item 4th The other half of my estate and property of every Kind whatsoever I will and bequeath after the death of my wife Sarah to be distributed among my next of kin according to the act of distributions of this State.

Item 5th I desire my moneys and choses in action shall go and be held in the same way as the property already given and bequeathed - namely to my wife Sarah for life and then to be divided as above after her death.

Item 6th I appoint Thomas Thomson the Executor of this my last will and testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this second day of April Anne Domini one thousand eight hundred and fifty three.

John E Allen (seal)

signed sealed acknowledged
and declared by Edward Allen
to be his last will and test-
ament in our presence who sign-
ed in his presence and in the
presence of each other as
witnesses thereto

Jno F Livingston
Benjamin A Hughes
C.H.Selleck

The State of South Carolina)
Abbeville District)

I John.E.Allen of said State and District being
of Sound and disposing mind memory and understanding make de-
clare and publish this as a codicil to my last will and test-
ament aforesaid dated 2^d April A.D. 1853.

1st Item. From my monies choses in action or other property if
necessary, but first from my moneys and choses in action I give
and bequeath to my dearly beloved mother Jane L Allen the sum
of Two Hundred Dollars.

2^d Item: From my monies choses in action or other property in
same manner as mentioned in the first item of this codicil I
give and bequeath to Eugene Allen the son of my brother Charley
H Allen the sum of Two Hundred Dollars, to be expended in his
education.

In witness whereof I have set my hand and seal this
fifteenth day of June Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred
and fifty three.

Signed sealed declared and acknow-
ledged and published by John E Allen
as a codicil to his last will and
testament, he having requested us to
attest as witnesses and he having
signed sealed & in our presence and
we in his presence and the presence
of each other

Wesley C Norwood
Martin L. Bullock
J praser Livingston

John E Allen (seal)

WILL OF [139-3935]
JOHN OLIVER

South Carolin)
Abbeville District } I make and Constitute this my last will &

Testament I give and bequeath all my cash on hands at my death Notes Bills of accounts and Evidences of Moneys due within my possession or that belongs to me to my sons (ie) Elijah Oliver James Oliver and George W Oliver to have and to hold in equal shares such cash and divide between them such notes Bills and Evidences of debts having refernce to their value.

I give and bequeath to them in addition to what I have advanced in cash dies debts and accounts I give and bequeath to my son Elijah of the moneys dues debts accounts etc. above stated his share of the entire amount in cash, I give and bequeath in addition to the above mentioned to my son Elijah Oliver the Tracts of land on which I reside Containing thirteen hundred and forty four acres more or less and the following named negroes (ie) Mose, ^{Gin} his wife, and her children and Tom, and, bob, and wife and children & Isom & wife & children one Wagon & Four Horses of his own choice and Ten head of Cows of his own choice & all my plantation Tools. I give and bequeath to my bodily heirs that of the negroes and other perishable property belonging to me at this time and at the day of my departure from this life for them to have and to hold in equal shares (Except the above mentioned property given Exclusively to Elijah Oliver) Between all the children (ie) Elijah James George Elizabeth Susannah and Sarah.

In as much as the above stated is my will and testament I do hereby constitute make and appoint my friends James M Latimer & James Roberson Executors of this will Witness my hand and seal this the _____ in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and forty-seven

John Oliver

William M Bell
Peter Gibert
Ja^s L Beck

(L.S)

HEZEKIAH C. McCELVEY

State of South Carolina }
 Abbeville District } In the name of God Amen, I Hezekiah, C.
 McCelvey of the State and District above mentioned, bring of sound
 and disposing mind do make and establish this my last will and
 testament in manner and form as follows.

1st It is my will that all my just debts be paid, and then that
 the remainder of my property of whatever Kind and where ever Sit-
 uated I give to my brother George. W. McCelvey of the State of Tex-
 as; to him and his heirs forever,

2^d I do hereby appoint and constitute my brother James- L. McCel-
 vey of Abbeville District South Carolina, and my brother George W
 McCelvey of the State of Texas Executors of this my will. In
 witness wherof I have here unto subscribed my name and affixed my
 seal this the thirty first day of May A D 1854

In presence of us.

James m^{cc}celvey

H, C, M^{cc}celvey (Seal)

Hugh M^{cc}Kelvy

M. O. Talman

WILL OF [137-3900]
SAMUEL G. COOK

In the name of God, Amen: I Saml G Cook being of sound mind and disposing memory, considering the frailty & uncertainty of this Life, do make ordain proclaim & establish this my last Will & Testament- as follows. After my just debts are paid, I wish & do will that my farm on which E M Whatley now lives, together with all my stock & provisions be left to my Dear Wife Louana & my little daughter Eugenia Gemima, & My Duaghter Mary Whatley & her Husband. as a Home for their support and maintenance. and in case My Wife & My Daughter Mary & her Husband E M Whatley wish to discontinue ar brake up the Farm, then my wish & will is that they have My Estate appraised & divided into three equal shares one share to go to My Wife, one share to My Daughter Euginia Gemima, & one Share to My Daughter Mary Whatley. My Wife I wish to act as Garden for my daughter Eugenia Gemima. All other effects not above disposed of I wish divided equally between My Wife & Two Daughters-

I hereby constitute & appoint My Wife Louana & My son in Law E M Whatley My Executors, hereby revoking all former Wills by me made- This ##### Twenty Ninth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight Hundred & Fifty four . In witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand & seal-

Signed sealed & delivered in the presence of us

his
Saml G x Cook ()
mark

I T Webber Samuel Maxwell
S S Marshall

WILL OF [137-3885]
THOMAS BROUGH

Abbeville District } I Thomas Brough sen of District and State
 South Carolina) aforesaid, Farmer, do make and publish this
 my last will and testament, hereby revoking and making void all
 former wills by me at any time heretofore made: And first, I direct
 that my body be decently interred, and that My funeral be conduct-
 ed in a manner corresponding with my estate and situation in life;
 and as to such worldly estate as it hath pleased God to entrust
 me with I dispose of the same as follows First I direct that all
 my debts and funeral expenses be paid as soon after my decease as
 possible out of the first Moneys that shall come into the hands
 of my executors. I will and bequeath that my slave Wat (Carpenter)
 and Carpenter's tools be sold either at private sale or publick
 outcry (as my executors hereinafter appointed may deem best) and
 the Moneys accruing therefrom to be applied to the full payment of
 all my just debts if so much be necessary --- I will and direct
 that all the lands which I have now in possession be divided into
 three equal portions - That the portion including the Homestead and
 out buildings being one third of said lands I will and bequeath to
 my wife Eveline during her natural life or widowhood and after her
 death or after expiration of her widowhood I will and bequeath
 said portion or third of land to my youngest son William Henry. The
 second portion of land including the settlement (now temporarily
 occupied by my soninlaw Albert A Humphries I will and bequeath to
 my oldest son John Flemming and the third or remaining portion in-
 cluding the settlement now temporarily occupied by Mrs Katharine
 Lands. I will and bequeath to my second son son Thomas Jefferson.
 I will and bequeath my three slaves sookey Daphne and Jonas to be
 Kept during Natural life or widowhood of my wife Eveline on the
 homestead portions of lands: Their services under the direction
 of my wife with the advice of my afore Mentioned executors to sup-
 port and clothe said wife Eveline my two daughters, Francis Ann and
 Louisa Eveline and my son William Henry during their Minority or
 until they marry if they marry under age also to give Louisa Evel-
 ine and and William Henry one year's schooling. At the expiration
 of my wife's widowhood or after her natural death I will and be-

queath that said slaves sookey Daphne and Jonas to be sold at the discretion of said executors and Moneys accruing therefrom to be apportioned out as follows viz I will and bequeath to my three children William Henry Francis Ann and Laura Eveline two hundred dollars each/^{then} the remainder of said moneys accruing from the sale of the three specified negroes to be distributed share and share alike among my six children Jane Elizabeth Humphries John Flemming Thos Jefferson Francis Ann Louisa Eveline and William Henry. I furthermore will and bequeath My slave Eugenia to my daughter Francis Ann and my slave Amanda to my daughter Louisa Eveline in addition to their distributive share of the Moneys accruing from sale of Negroes sookey Daphne and Jonas as specified above - I will and bequeath I will and bequeath that my household and Kitchen furniture stock of hogs sheep Cattle and horses poultry plantation and farming tools gin and thresher and perishable property such as corn wheat etc. bacon and lard etc. to be and to remain on Homestead for the use support and benefit of my wife Eveline and above specified Minor viz Francis Ann Louisa Eveline and William Henry during natural life or widowhood of my wife Eveline at her death or expiration of widow hood then said property to be sold by specified executors and distributed among my six children share and share alike - viz Jane Elizabeth Humphries John Flemming Thos Jefferson Francis Ann Louisa Eveline and William Henry - My interest if any in Brough Land now in suit one hundred and eighteen acres sheleroe survey when sold by said Executors to be equally distributed among my six above named children I direct that should any money after my Just debts are paid not otherwise bequeathed remain that the said remaining money be loaned out with approved bond and security and that the interest yearly accruing therefrom to go to the use benefit of my wife Eveline during her widowhood or natural life and at her death or expiration of her widowhood the principal collected and equally distributed among the six above named Children including again my daughter Jane Elizabeth Humphries

I hereby appoint and ordain my Neighbour J W Jones and My son John Flemming Brough Executors of this My last will and testament In witness whereof I Thomas Brough seⁿ Testator have to this my last will and testament set my hand and seal this the fourteenth of March in the year of our Lord one

thousand eight hundred and fifty four
signed sealed and delivered
in the presence of us who have
subscribed in the presence of
each other

J. L. Brown

T. Brough (LS)

James Macelvey

G. A. Waller

WILL OF [131-3864]

SAMUEL IRWIN

In the name of God Amen !!!

I Samuel Irwin being now of sound mind, memory and understanding, calling to mind that I am mortal and in the usual course of nature cannot live long, and being desirous of disposing of my worldly estate, do make this my last will and testament, hereby revoking all former wills by me heretofore made.

1. I give and bequeathe unto my wife Elizabeth my negro woman Kiza and her two children Tilda & Mary Ann Elizabeth with their future increase, one horse of her own choice of those I own at the time of my death, & two cows and calves to be hers absolutely; and I do farther give to her for and during her natural life, my man Servant Newman and my tract of land known as the Hill tract, to be a home for her to live on and cultivate such portion thereof as she pleased, but no part thereof to be rented: and at the death of my wife I direct the said slave Newman & Hill tract of land to be sold and the proceeds, to be divided between my son James & my daughter Jane, wife of William N. Purdy, so that my son James shall have one third thereof & my daughter Jane the other two thirds :- the share that Jane receives to be subject to the same restriction and limitations as are hereinafter provided as to her :

this provision for my wife to be in lieu & bar of her dower.

2. I give and bequeath unto my grand-daughter Elenor Jane Spillers, my negro girl Laura, child of Little Bet.

3. I give to my daughter Jane, wife of William N. Purdy for and during her life on subject to the following qualification, for her sole and separate use not subject to the contracts debts or engagements of William N. Purdy, her present husband, or any future husband my slave Little Bet with all her increase except Laura, to wit, Jane, Charlotte Anna, Henry & Margaret & all her future increase and also Alsey a child of Polly - and as her children come of age respectively, that is to say the children of my daughter Jane, I give to them as follows to wit to James H. Purdy the girl Alsey, to Elizabeth A. Purdy, the girl Margaret, to Samuel A. Purdy the boy Henry, to Margaret A. Purdy the girl Anna, to Sarah G. Purdy the girl Charlotte and to William A. Purdy the girl Jane, the increase to go with their mothers respectively - And in case my daughter Jane should die before my grand children aforesaid should arrive of age then I ~~do~~

~~that~~ give to my grand children aforesaid the property above given to them respectively as though they were of age. And at the death of my daughter Jane I direct that little Bet with all her future increase be sold and the proceeds, together with the portion that she may receive from the sale of the Hill tract of land and Newman, be equally divided between all the children of the said Jane, the issue of any deceased child to represent the parent and take the share that the child if living would have taken.

4. I give to my Grand son Samuel son of James, my girl Louisa child of Polly -

5 I give to my grand son Robert son of James. My girl Frony - usually called Dos. a child of Polly.

6. It is my will that my sister Bella Cowan should live with my son James and be decently supported by him -

7. I give & bequeath^{& devise} unto my son James, my home tract of land on which I now reside and my slaves Polly & her child Israel together with all her future increase, and all the balance or rest and residue of my estate both real and personal of whatsoever nature or kind the same may be, out of which I direct all my just debts funeral expenses & all other expenses of my estate to be paid, to be his absolutely & forever -

8. I do hereby appoint my son James Executor of this will

I do hereby acknowledge & publish this to be my last will and testament -

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal, this day of September 1852.

Signed sealed & published in presence of us who have signed our names in presence of testator & at his request "this provision for my wife to be in lieu & bar of her Dower" inserted before signing.

Thos. C. Perrin

William H Parker

Thos. Thomson.

his
Samuel X Irwin (L.S.)
mark

State of South Carolina)
Abbeville District)

Whereas I Samuel Irwin of the State and District aforesaid have made my last Will and Testament in writing bearing date the day of September eighteen hundred and fifty two; and in, and by which - in the second clause, I have given and bequeathed to Ellenor J Spillors, a certain negro Girl name of Laura.

Now therefore I do, by this my writing, which I hereby declare to be a Codicil to my said last Will and Testament direct and ordain, and require my executor to see to it - that the said Negro Girl Laura and her increase go to the sole and separate use, behoof and interest of the said Ellenor, my grand daughter, and not be subjected to the payment of debts, contracts, or control of the present husband of my said grand-daughter, or any future husband that she may have. And on the death of my said Grand - daughter, my will is, and I direct, that said negro Laura and increase (if any) be publickly sold, and the proceeds of said sale be equally divided amongst her children - that is to say the children of my said Grand-daughter - the child or children of a deceased child representing the parent.

In testimony I have hereunto set my hand and seal this Twenty ninth day of March A. D. 1854

Signed, sealed, published and declared)
By Samuel Irwin , as a codicil to his)
last will and testament in presence)
of us, who at the request of the said)
Samuel, and in his presence and in the)
presence of each other subscribed our)
names as witnesses -

his
Samuel X Irwin (Seal)
mark

David Keller
Andrew Robison
Richard Thompson

WILL OF [189-3930]

ELLEN McCORD

South Carolina) I, Ellen Mc'Cord of the State & District afore-
Abbeville District) said, do make and Ordain this my last will &
testament

First, I will & bequeath to John W. Mc'Cree and to Margaret E. Mc'
Cree, each one a bed and furnature to them and their heirs forever

Second, I will ^{and} bequeath to my nephew, James H. Mc'Cree one fourth
part of the remainder of my estate

Third, The remaining three fourths of my estate I will and bequeath
to my nephew John W. Mc'Cree, and to my niece Margaret E. McCree to
be equally devided betwen them, share and share alike, and if either
the said John W. Mc'Cree or Margaret E. Mc'Cree should die without
bodily heirs, I will that the part of the one who should so die
should in that event go to the one surviving

I do hereby revoke all former wills made by me and
ordain this my last will and testament

I constitute and appoint James Carson Esqr and my nephew John W. Mc'
Cree Executors of this my will

In testimoney wherof I have hereunto set my hand and seal, This 14th
day of March 1854

Signed sealed and acknowledged

in the presence of

her
Ellen X Mc Cord(sal)
mark

D. S. Benson

J A. Allen

W. J. Smith

WILL OF (135-384)

THOMAS RILEY

The State of South Carolina Abbeville District
In the name of God, Amen!!!

I Thomas Rily, of the District and State aforesaid, being of sound and disposing mn'd memory and understanding, but, calling to mind the uncertainty of life and, being desirous of making disposition of my Estate and Property do Make & ordain this to be my last will and Testament hereby revoking all former wills by me heretofore made

1. I direct the settlement and distribution of my Estate real and personal as follows- Immediately after my death I direct that my Funeral Expences and Just debts be paid out of the moneys that shall come first into the hands of my Exetors from my Estate real and personal

2. To - my Wife Elizabeth I give and bequeath the Tract of land up- on which I now live, and Three Slaves to Wit Girl Darky. Bob and Joe to be here my wife during her natural life and Then to be distributed Together with their future increase To my Children the- ir heirs and assigns forever

3. To My Son Henry, I give and bequeath .one Negro Girl Hulda, and her increase To be his, his heirs, and assigns forever

4. I give and bequeath to my son Birt Rily, one Negro girl Dianna To be his, his heirs and assigns forever

5th To my Son Thomas, Rily I give and bequeath, a Note on Birt Rily for Two hundred Dollars

6th To My Daghter Maryann Rily I give and bequeath, Girl Nance and her children John and Eliza Together with her future increase to be here ~~her~~ heirs and assigns Forever, Also My young Gray Mare Two Cows and Calves

7th Furthermore I desire that my wife keep all my Stock of Cattle Cows and Hogs also Two horses - Also what provision may be on hand at my decease

8 I do hereby nominate and appoint my Sons, Henry Rily, Thomas Ri- ly and Birt Rily Executors of this my last will and Testament

Witness my hand and seal this 1 of May 1853

signed seald acknowledged & published in the presence of Thomas Jones, Robert Jones, Mary Jones, Thoas Riley (LS)

WILL OF [131-3816]
DAVID LESLY

The State of South Carolina

I David Lesly of the Village of Abbeville in the District of Abbeville & state aforesaid being low & weak in body but of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding do make and ordain this my last willa and testament.

1 I will that all my just debts be paid.

2 I give & bequeathe to my sister in law Mrs Margaret M^CWhorter wife of W^m M^CWhorter five hundred dollars.

3. I give & bequeathe unto Louisa Jane M^CWhorter daughter of W^m M^CWhorter two thousand dollars (\$2,000.-) and one of my two little negro girls Lucy or Nancy, my wife to determine which of the two girls she is to take.

4 I give & bequeathe unto my sister -in law Eliza Kyle one thousand dollars and Little Rachael a negro girl about nine years old.

5 I ^{give} & bequeathe to my niece Anna Louisa Norris wife of J.W. Norris five hundred dollars.

6. I give & bequeathe unto my niece Virginia Lesly five hundred dollars

7. I give & bequeathe unto my two nephews John W Lesly & Thomas Lesly ~~each~~ five hundred Dollars to be divided equally between them.

8. I give devise and bequeathe unto my wife Louisa all the rest and residue of my estate both real and personal of every nature and kind whatsoever to dispose of as she pleases, to her and her heirs, and assigns forever any portion thereof to be sold by my Executors to pay debts or Legacies.

9. I appoint my wife Louisa, and my friends William M^CWhorter & John W. Lesly Executors of this my will and I hereby revoke all former wills be ~~me~~ made and do publish and declare this to be my last will and testament. this 3 Feby 1854.

Signed Sealed & published in our presence
 Who have signed our names as witnesses hereto
 in presence of the testator & in presence of
 each other and at the request of D. Lesly
 this 3 Feby 1854

David Lesly
 (L.S.)

William M Haddon

James, S. Cothran

Thos, C. Perrin

WILL OF [131-3793]
JANE DONALD

In the Name of God Amen

I Jane Donald (Widow) of the District of Abbeville and State of South Carolina being of Sound mind memory and understanding but Some what advanced in age and Calling to mind the uncertinty of life and being desirous to dispose of Such worldly property as it hath pleased God to bestow upon me do make and Ordain this my last will and Testament in manner and form following

1st I will and bequeath all my Just Debts to be paid
2nd I Will and bequath my Negro man Antony and his wife Dicy to have the priviledge of Choseing whom they desire to live with and Serve and that they may be Appraised by three men Chosen by my Ex-ecutor and their Value to be divided among the following of my hei-ers that is Rachel Teague deceased Heirs of her Body the Heirs of James Atkins deceased John Adams Abram Liles David Atkins Francis Atkins Joseph Atkins Thomas Atkins and Teresa Lipford And the Re-
my
mainder of/property I allow it to be Sold Except the Household Furniture I Will and bequeath to my Two Daughters Jane Lites and T
Teresa Lipford the Remainder after my deceased to be Sold as Soon as Convient and after all my Just Debts and Funeral Expences are paid I allow it to be equally divided among the aforesaid heirs Share and share alike I leave my Son Joseph Atkins my Executor

Signed Sealed and Declared for the Last Will and Testament of the within named Jane Donald in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight Hundred and fifty Three this 20- 14th of September 1853

Singed in the presance of us
Lewis Smith
Bart^w Jordan
Thomas Jordan



her
Jane X Donald (LS)
mark

WILL OF [131-3794]
THOMAS M DUNCAN

State of South Carolina } In the name of God Amen. I, Thomas M Dun-
 Abbeville District } can of the State and District aforesaid
 being in a languishing state of Body, but of Sound mind and dispo-
 sing memory do make and ordain This my last Will and Testament. And
 first I give and recommend my Soul to God who gave it, and my Body
 to be burried in a christian like manner. And as touching Such
 worldly estate with which it hath pleased God to bless me in this
 Life I give demise bequeath and dispose of the Same in the follow-
 ing manner and form

First I give and bequeath unto my Sister Nancy Ann Hemminger all my
 Lands comprised in Two Tracts One called the Dillashaw Tract con-
 taining One Hundred and Ten Acres more or less and the other call-
 ed the Gibert Tract the Tract on which I now live containing One
 Hundred Acres more or less and my three Negroes namely Harry, Bec-
 ky, and her child Eliza with their increase. All the above named
 Land and Negroes to be here during her natural Life, but after her
 death I will all the above named Two Tracts of Land and the Three
 above named Negroes with their increase to the Children of my Niece
 Eleanor Jannet Duncan McGrath

Second I will that my Executors hereinafter mentioned sell as
 much of my stock of Horses Cattle and Hogs as will pay my debts and
 after my debts are paid I will and bequeath unto my Sister Nancy
 Ann Hemminger all the remainder of my estate not hereabove dispos-
 ed of

Lastly, I do hereby ordain and appoint my Two Friends Jacob B Britt
 and James C Willard Executors of This my last will and Testament
 revoking and disallowing all former Wills and Testaments made by
 me and do declare This to be my last Will and Testament. In wit-
 ness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this Seventh
 day of February in the year of our Lord Eighteen Hundred and For-
 ty nine

Signed Published Pronounced and declared by the said Thomas M Dun-
 can as his last Will and Testament in the presence of us who in
 his presence and in the presence of each other have hereunto sub-
 scribed our names as witnesses

Ja^s, H. Britt }
 John M David }
 Mary. A. Hayes }

Tho^s M. Duncan (LS)
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WILL OF [135-3855]
C. C. A. SMITH

State of South Carolina }
Abbeville District }

I Charles A. Smith of the District and State afore-
said, being of sound Mind; but weak in body, and feeling that my end
is near at hand, do ordain and make this my last will and testament.

1st It is my will and desire that my Exeexecutor hereinafter named,
do sell all my real and personal estate for the purpose of paying
off all my just debts, -

2^d. It is my will and desire that the said Executor in case I
should die before my present crop is made and gathered should take
charge of my plantation, negroes, and all other personalty and cul-
tivate and attend to my said crop, gather, the same and sell the same
in such a manner as he may deem proper, and apply the same to the
payment of my just debts -

3^d. It is my will and desire, that my said Executor is hereby em-
powered, to revoke such contracts, in relation to my said farm, and
he is hereby authorized to pay himself out of the proceeds of said
crop, for all expensens he may incur, and for his trouble in about
the same, .

4th. It is my will and desire that the residue of my estate, be giv-
en to my Wife Mary during the term of her natural life, for the
support of herself and Children, and at her death, to go to my Child-
ren, share and share alike -

I do hereby constitute and appoint my brother Peter Smith
Executer of this my last will and testament

In witness where of I have hereunto set my hand and seal,
this the 7th day of June 1853.

Signed Sealed and exucuted
in the presence of us, and
we in the presence of the
testator

William H Smith
his
Ezekel X Asbel
mark
Lemuel W Allen

Charles A. Smith (LS)

DAVID TEDARDS

The last will and Testament of David Tedards of Abbeville Dist SoCa

-----I David Tedards considering the uncertainty of this mortal life and being of sound mind and memory do make & publish this my last will & Testament in manner and form following -----

First I give & bequeath unto my beloved Wife all my Estate both real & personal during her natural life & That one of my beloved sons either Felix or Wiley will remain with her so long as She Should live - The oldest has preference & in case of refusal The second, which is Wiley will take control of his mothers business --

2ndly --- After the death of my Wife, Sahah - Then my Estate both personal & real be sold on 12 Months time - Then equally divided between my Three Sons, Felix, Wiley and Freeman Tedards -----

3rdly --- All my Just debts to be paid As Soon after my discease, as They can be, at least out of The proceeds of the first crop, if not on hand -----

& Lastly, I hereby appoint my Sone Felix & Wiley Teddars my exe - cutors of this my last will & Testament, hereby revoking all former wills - made by me ----- In witness whereof I have hereunto

Set my hand and Seal The 17th day of January in The Year of Our Lord one Thousang Eight hundred and fifty Three

Signed in presence
of -----

his
David X Tedards (LS)
mark

- Thomas Ross
- Willis, B. Gason
- Thomas Malry Ross

WILL OF [126-3852]
SOPHIAH SMITH

State of Southcarolina } In the name of god.
Abbeville District } Amen ,

I Sophiah Smith being in a low State of health but of a sound and disposing mind and knowing that it is apointed once for all men to die do make this my last will and testament in the following manner (Viz) first i resign my body too the dust from whence it came and my Spirit to god who gave it

2nd) I will and bequath to my daughter Rebeca and my daughter sophiah and my son Daniel the tract of land on which i now live and also my Stock of cattle and hogs and the balance of my property

In.witness where of i have set my hand & Seal this October the 21st day in the year of our lord one thousand eight hundred and fiftythree and in the seventyeighth year of the independence of the united States of America

Witness
Joshua Ashley
John T.Hadddon
David Russell

her
Sophia X Smith (Seal)
mark

MARGARET RICHEY

South carolina)
Abbeville District) In the name of God amen I Margaret Richey of
the District and State aforesaid being of sound and disposing mind,
memory and understanding, do constitute and ordain this to be my
last Will and Testament

Item 1st I will bequeath & devise unto my Niece Margaret R, Dunn the
Plantation whereon I now live also my old place while she lives at
her Decease to be sold & divided between my brothers & sisters. al-
so two negro boys Harry & Aaron while she lives at her Decease Har-
ry to go to my Nephew W^m Dunn & Aaron to my nephew Robert Dunn. I
also bequeath to Margaret R, Dunn two negro girls Mary & Hannah al-
so her choice of one horse & gear two sette of plows, the clock &
cupboard with one half of the contents, also one half of the house-
hold & Kitchen furniture, the Dairy & contents, my Books, Loom & app-
eratus one Large Spinning wheel, sythe & cradle, the Waggon & harness,
also two Cows & calves one sow & pigs, three Sheep all the Poultry,
as many of the boxes & barrels as she may need, also my saddle to
her & her heirs forever Also provision for one year

Item the 2nd I will bequeath and devise unto Jane W Dunn daughter
of my nepew James Dunn Decd, one negro girl---- Lucey ann also one
half of the Household and Kitchen furniture also one Cow & Calf
three sheep also one half of my Books to her & her heirs forever

Item 3rd I will & bequeath that all the balance & residue of my
effects be sold and equally divided between my Brothers & Sisters
Viz the heirs of Joseph richey Decd, Alley Dunn, James Richey, the
heirs of John Richey Decd, the heirs of Robert Richey Decd, Nancey
Haggan, Ann Sharp & Mary Hawthorne

Item 4th I do hereby constitue & appoint Robert & Andrew Dunn Exe-
cutors to this my last will and Testament

In testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and seal this 16th
day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred &
fiftey three

Signed Sealed & pronounced in the presents of
Joseph Dickson
T.Y. Martin
Isaac C Richey
her
Margaret X Richey (ES)
mark

WILL OF [136-3888]
JOHN ZIMMERMAN

In the name of God, Amen,

I, John Zimmerman of Abbeville District, in State of South Carolina, being of sound and disposing mind, memory, and understanding, but old and infirm in body, and calling to mind that I must soon die, do make & ordain this my last will & Testament to wit

1rst. ----- I will that all my Just debts be paid, and to this end, I authorize my Executor here in after appointed to sell so much of my personal estate as may be necessary for that purpose.

2nd ----- After the payment of all my debts, I will and bequeath to my Son Peter Zimmerman one third of my whole estate, both real & personal; Said legacy to be apportioned by any three or five free holders who my Executor may select to appraise and divide my estate. And to the end that my Son Peter, may enjoy the full benefit of this legacy, I do hereby appoint my Executor Trustee of said portion, to control and manage the same. It is my Will that said bequest be always under the direction and Management of the Trustee (for the use and benefit of my Son) and at no time to be given up to the doner, or made liable for any debts which may have been contracted without the Knowledge and consent / of the Trustee. And in the event ~~of~~ ^{of the} my Son Peter should die, leaving no Children, it is my Will, that one half of this portion be given to his surviving Widow, and the other half remaining to be given to the surviving children of my deceased son Philip Zimmerman.

3rd ----- I give and bequeath to Jackson Roundtree, for his sole use and benefit, one sixth ($\frac{1}{6}$) of my whole estate, that being, one half of the portion which my daughter Mary Roundtree, (now deceased) would have inherited, sharing equally with my other children: said portion to be appraised and allotted, as provided for in my Son Peters bequest. The other half, of this my daughter Marys portion, I give to my son Peter Zimmerman and the surviving children ^{of my deceased son Philip Zimmerman} ren/. And in the event of the death, of either, the Said Jackson Roundtree, or of my Son Peter Zimmerman, leaving no children - it is my will then, that the surviving children of my son Philip Zimmerman inherit all the shares of this my daughter Marys portion.

4th ----- . I will, devise & bequeath the whole ballance of my property, of any discription, both real & personal, to Mary Caroline and Philip La'Fayette the surviving children of my deceased Son Philip Zimmerman, to them and their heirs, forever; Share and * interlined before signed. Share Share alike; to be equally divided betwen them, by three or five freeholders, or by Sale and division of the proceeds, as ~~per~~ my Executor shall think proper for the best interest of the children. And in the event of the death, of either of my grandChildren, Mary Carolina or Philip La'Fayette, before arriving at the age of twenty one years, and leaving no heirs, it is my Will, that the Surviving child, inherit one half of the portion of said deceased child, and that the other half be given to the Widow of my Son Philip Zimmerman, to wit, Frances Elizabeth Zimmerman: and in the event of the death of both of my grand children, leaving no heirs - it is my Will that the said Frances Elizabeth Zimmerman, inherit the portions of Each of my grandChildren respectively.

5th ----- . I do hereby appoint my Executor, Trustee of the Ligacy herein bequathed to my grandChildren, to manage and direct the Same for their benefit, untill they arrive at the age of twenty one years, or my Grand daughter Mary Caroline shall marry

6th ----- . It is my will and desire that the family grave yard be Kept, always neatly paled in, and my Executor is hereby authorized to retain from my estate, before distribution, a sum sufficient for this purpose.

7th ----- . I do hereby revoke and annul all former Wills

8th ----- I do hereby appoint J.W. Hearst Executor of this my last will and Testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this the Second day of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight Hundred and fifty three (1853)

Signed siald and acknowledged as)
 and for his last Will & Testa -) John Zimmerman (Seal)
 ment, in our presence)

John Cothran
Samuel Perrin
 David Walker

WILL OF [131-3799]

JANE HAIRSTON

State of South Carolina }
 Abbeville District }

In the name of God Amen

I Jane Hairston of the State and District aforesaid being frail in body but of sound and disposing mind and being admonished by my present bodily affliction that my life is short and also and being desirous to make some disposition of my worldly effects, do make & ordain this to be my last Will and Testament.

And first I consign my Body to the dust / ^{from} whence it came and my spirit to God who gave it.

Item 2nd I give and bequeath to my beloved nephew James Wesley Johnston, Son of Tolever & Jane Johnston all my Slaves. (Viz) Rebecca, Jane, T. George W. John B. Mary ann. Rhody S. and Edney Frances with all their future increase and none of them to be sold or parted from each other

Item 3rd It is my will and desire that my Real Estate with my stock household and kitchen furniture plantation tools and all my goods and effects (with the exception of my slaves) be sold by my Executor and out of the proceeds my just debts to be paid and my grave to be well furnished as my - Executor may deem proper -

Item 4th It is my will and desire that the ballance or what my remain on hand be divided share and share alike between Tolever Johnston - Tho^s Johnston - Rachel Martin - William Gray son of John Gray dec^d - William Gray son of Ja^s Gray dec^d Mary ann Thompson and Sarah Jane Lomax daughter of John & Elizabeth Lomax

Item 5th It is my will and desire that my friend David Keller Esqr should act as the Executor of this my last will and Testament

Signed sealed, published & declared and acknowledged to be my last will and Testament this 4th day of June one thousand eight hundred and fifty three
 Jane X Hairston (L^e)
 mark

In the presence of
 John W. Lomax
 Garlington Owens
 Elizabeth B Lomax

WILL OF (138-3912)

ELIZABETH HUGHES

In the name of God Amen. I Elizabeth Hughes 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 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 manner following (Viz)

- 1st I Will my body to the ground from whence it Came and my Soul to God who gave it -----
- 2d I will that all my Just debts and funeral expences be paid
- 3d I devise give and bequeath to my Daughter Mary, Ann Hughes Three ^{there} Hundred dollars in Sealed notes of hand with the interest/on which I hold on Nathaniel and Hezekiah Hughes also one feather Bed, Bedstead and furniture also one Roan mare one flax wheel together with all my household furnetur & what ever else I may be posses'd of at my decease, except, the herein after named bequests -----

4th I devise give and bequeath to my Son Edward, J. Hughes One Hundred dollars, also one gray mare which he has received (that is the mare)

5th I devise give and bequeath to my Son Hezekiah Hughes Two Dollars

6th I devise ^{give} and bequeath to my son James Hughes Two dollars

7th I devise give and bequeath to my son Geo. T. Hughes Two dollars

8th I devise give and bequeath to my son Nathaniel Hughes Two dollars

9th I devise give and bequeath to my son Alex^r E. Hughes Two dollars

10th I devise give and bequeath to my Daughter Nancy Reeve Two Dollars

11th I devise give and bequeath to my grand Daughter Polly, Malissy. Hughes one feather Bed, Bedstead, furnetur & one Spinning wheel

12th and lastly I do Constitute and appoint my Son Nathaniel Hughes Executor to this my last Will & Testament Given under my hand & seal this Twelvth day of September A. D. Eighteen hundred & forty Nine - signed sealed ⁱⁿ presence of

T. Y. Martin
Mahala Martin
W. P. Martin

her
Elizabeth X Hughes (Seal)
mark

WILL OF [130-3756]
JOSEPH BROWN

The State of South Carolina }
 Abbeville District. }
 Inn the name of God Amen
 I. Joseph Brown of the State and
 District afore said. being of Sound
 and disposing mind and Memory .but weak in boddy and calling to
 mind the uncertainty of Life and being desirious to dispose of all
 Such worldley estates as it hath pleased God to bless me with do
 make and ordain this my Last will and testament. in the manner foll-
 owing (that is to say) I desire that my boddy bee Buryed in a
 decent and Christian Like manner. at the descretion of my Executors
 heare after mentioned. I consign my boddy to the dust and my Spir-
 it to God who gave it, I desire that all my Just debts and furniel
 expenses bee paid after deasseas, out of Such moneys as may bee on
 hand, and should that bee insuficeent for the above purpose then it
 is my desire that my Exectore heare after mentioned, Shall Sell at
 public Sale allowing reasonable Credit, So much of my Personal estate
 as will bee sufficent for the said purpose, and out of the moneys
 arising therefrom pay and Sattisfy all my Just debts of every dia-
 cription after the payment of my debts as is aforesaid, I give to
 my wife Elizabeth Brown the whole of my estate both real and Per -
 sonal for and during her natural Life, or widohood, and after her
 deseas, or inter marriage I give the same to my Several childre heare
 in after naimed (Viz) Uriah Brown, Macklin Brown John Brown and
 Joyce Brown after-wards Joyce Corley now deseas. Leaving three chil-
 dren which are my Grand children naimly Clemman Corley, James. A. Cor-
 ley . Esikiah Corley I desire / three ^{the} naimed grand children of mine
 receive one Fourth of the whole of my estate to bee equally devidd
 between the Three, I give the same to them and thare heirs forever.
 I give to my grand Daughter. Beattus deason. Daughter of my deare
 Daughtr Dorinda Deason the wife of Joseph Deason the sume of One
 Dollar. also One Dollar to Joseph Deason my son in Law. I give to
 my son in Law Henry Baily and his two children Serana and Elizabeth
 the children of my ~~deseas~~ Daughter Delila Baly one Dollar each to
 bee by my Executors paid to them or thare heirs if demanded. I also
 give to my son in Law Adkin Corly the sume of one Dollar I give
 to my Son John Brow one Negro Woman named Fanny. to him and his
 heirs forever extra of a equal division, and I do hereby constitute

and appoint my Son John Brown and my friend Williams Truwit
Executors of this my Last will and testament, and Lastly I
herby revoke all former Wills or parts of wills in testamony
thereof I have hereunto Set my hand and affixed my Seal this
the Twenty Eighth day November in the year of our Lord one
thousand Eight Hundrd and Fifty)

Willam Harmon

Signed in the presence of.

Berry Dason

his Sr.

Hezekiah F Smith

Josephe x Brown (L.S)
mark

WILL OF (132-3831)
MATTHEW McCLINTON

State of South Carolina }
Abbeville District)

In the name of God, Amen. I Matthew McClinton of the State and District aforesaid being weak in body but of perfect sound mind and memory thank God for his mercies, and Knowing that it is appointed that all Should die In the first place I will my soul unto the hands of the Almighty who gave it and my body to the Earth to be decently buried hoping at the day of Judgment to obtain everlasting life, and as concerning the things that I have been blessed with in this life I give and bequeath as follows

Item first. That all my Just debts be paid

Item Second, it is my will and desire that the plantation whereon I now live be rented out from year to year, and the proceeds of the same be applied to the support of My wife Margaret M^cClinton and should my executors at any time think it more to the Interest of my estate to sell or dispose of my land that they have the power so to do that all my other property at my decease be sold and should the rent of the land and Interest on money arising from sales of my other property and moneys due me not be sufficient to support my wife Margaret M^cClinton her natural life time in that case that they my executors use enough of my estate for a decent support for her

Item Third It is my will and desire that at the death of my wife Margaret M^cClinton. That Twenty five Dollars of my estate be equally divided among the living children of my Brother John McClinton

Item fourth

That all the residue of my estate after paying the above amts as has been already disposed of be held by my executors and the Interest arising from the money being loaned out annually be applied to the Education of poor and orphan Children within the limits of what is now Known as Capt Reagans Beat, and I do hereby constitute make and ordain John Cothran and Tira Jay my only lawfull Executors to this my last Will and Testament and I do hereby utterly disallow revoke and disannull all all and every other