

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this sixth day of June in the year of our Lord one 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 will and Testament by <sup>the said</sup> James Wardlaw in presence of us ~~Wills~~ in his presence and in presence of each other have hereunto set our hands as witnesses

Charles H. Allen  
 Geo. Livingston  
 J. Cobb

James Wardlaw Seal

Codicil

I bequeath to my Grand daughter Hannah Bonhauer a negro girl between eight & fourteen years of age to be selected by my Executors. Any advancements made to either of my children since the date of the preceding Will I desire to be taken into the estimate in making the division between my children

Signed sealed published & declared as for a codicil to his preceding Will by the said James Wardlaw this 24th Sept. 1841 in presence of us who in his presence subscribed our names Thus

John White  
 John Livingston

James Wardlaw Seal

26th April 1842 known by Geo. Livingston and qualified David Lewis Wardlaw and Robert Henry Wardlaw Executors the 27th day of April 1842. David Lisle O. A. D.

Last Will and Testament of Stephen Ross Esq

State of South Carolina  
 Abbeville District

Know all men by these presents

that I Stephen Ross of the State and District aforesaid

do make and ordain this my last will and Testament revoking all others I give and bequeath to beloved wife Elisabeth 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 possession of my wife to be equally divided among the above named three children

Secondly I herein appoint and ordain my wife Elisabeth Ross Sole Executrix of this my last will: given under my hand and seal this 18th day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty one and in the sixty sixth year of American Independence

Witnessed by us  
 Peter McKellan  
 Jas. C. Ray  
 John P. Banatt

13th Sept 1841 known by Jas. C. Ray and qualified Elisabeth Ross Executrix  
 David Lisle O. A. D.

Stephen Ross Seal

Last will and  
Testament of  
Adam Wideman sen  
Seco

South Carolina } In the name of God amen  
Abbeville District } I Adam Wideman sen  
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 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 desire that after my decease all my just debts and funeral  
expences be paid out of the money 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 amongst my several children that is to say John Wideman  
Samuel Wideman Joshua Wideman Adam Wideman and Uel Wideman  
together with the children of my three dec'd children Henry Wideman  
Rachel Millis Elizabeth Mann I give to the children of my dec'd  
children only one child's part to be equally divided amongst them  
and I give it to them their heirs Executors Administrators and assigns  
forever
- 4th And lastly I do constitute and appoint my two sons John Wideman  
and Adam Wideman Executors of this my last will and Testament  
by me heretofore made in testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand  
and affixed my seal this 21th day of June 1840

Signed sealed and declared } Adam Wideman sen (Sd)  
as the last will and testament }  
of the within named Adam }  
Wideman sen in presence of us } 7th Oct. 1840 Inome by William Harris  
Robert M. <sup>mark</sup> Tobiasland } and qualified John Wideman & Adam Wideman  
William Harris } Executors same day David Lesly C. A. D.  
John Kennedy

Last Will and Testament  
of Peter Handly sen

In the name of God Amen  
I Peter Handly 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 in manner following that is to say I give and bequeath  
to John Rouman small of my Estate consisting of three Negroes a Negro woman  
named Betty and Betty's child William Robert & hogs horses and cattle plantation  
tools and all of my present crop after paying all of my debts and lastly  
do constitute and appoint the John Rouman Executor of this my last will &  
Testament by me heretofore named in testimony whereof I have hereunto set  
my hand & affixed my seal this the twenty seventh day of September one  
thousand eight hundred and forty two and in the sixty seventh year year  
of the Independence of the United States of America



Signed sealed published and declared as and for the last will and Testament of the above named Peter Scandy, in the presence of us

Test Samuel Surin  
Test James Smith Esq  
William E Caldwell

<sup>his</sup>  
Peter Scandy  
mark

10<sup>th</sup> Nov 1842 proven by Mrs G. Caldwell and  
Qualified John Rowans Executor same day  
David Ledy O. A. D.

Last Will and Testament of Christiana Roberson Dec'd

South Carolina }  
Abbeville District } I Christiana Roberson  
being weak in body but sound in mind  
and knowing the uncertainty of life, and the certainty of death  
do make and ordain this my last will and Testament

- 1<sup>st</sup> I give and bequeath unto my son William the tract of Land whereon I now live with all the stock of Cattle for ever as his right, and also the Culbard and household furniture in all to my said son William
- 2<sup>d</sup> I give and bequeath unto my Granddaughter Rosanna Caroline Roberson my bed and furniture and my chest and all my wearing apparel
- 3<sup>d</sup> I give and bequeath unto my said son William all my kitchen furniture and every thing that is mine in the house and out of doors he is to be my whole heir with the Exception of the land and furniture and chest & clothing above mentioned I constitute and appoint my son William and my friend John B. Hale to Execute this my last will and Testament In witness whereof I have set my mark this twentieth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty two

In presence of  
And<sup>rs</sup> Wm  
James Richardson  
A Houston

<sup>her</sup>  
Christiana Roberson  
mark

7 Nov. 1842 proven by Andrew Weal and  
William Roberson being duly qualified as  
Executor same day

David Ledy O. A. D.

Last Will and Testament of James Frazier Dec'd

South Carolina }  
Abbeville District } In the name of God Amen  
I James Frazier of Baden County  
do make and ordain this my  
last will and Testament revoking all former wills

by me made

Item 1<sup>st</sup> 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, Betty, Josephine, Elliott, Mary, Lucretia, Lemy, Emily Russell, and Maria or so many of them as may be necessary for the payment of my debts and no more

Item 2<sup>d</sup> I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Charity in lieu and bar of her dower in my real estate for her 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 daughter Eliza, together with the future increase of the aforesaid slaves with full power to my said wife Charity to bequeath the aforesaid property to whomsoever of my children by my marriage with her, or to her Grandchildren

by such marriage ~~with~~ for 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 on which I now live; this third part I intend <sup>to improve</sup> 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 &c. and one third of the plantation tools consisting of waggons carts, ploughs &c. The stock and other things above enumerated to be divided and set apart to my said wife, by the valuation of three disinterested persons to be chosen by my Executor 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 <sup>the house</sup> 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 5. 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, Miram, barolin, and Lulia Ellen children of Violet, and Henry and Washington children of Clara; also the negro fellow Anthony; to be divided to my children or grand children as aforesaid

Item 4th 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 Sam 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 in the surviving child or children; I give also to each of my ~~grand~~ grand children the sum of ten dollars:

Item 3th I give and bequeath to my daughter Lucretia S. ~~Devlin~~ and son in law Robert Devlin the following slaves to wit Frank, Sally and her children, Lewis, John, Nancy, Elyza Emily, Sam, and Oliver, with the future increase of the said female slaves; the same now being in the possession of my said son in law; I also give to my son in law R. Devlin Harriet and her children, Martha and Josephine

Item 6th 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 <sup>acres</sup> more or less, subject however to the life estate of my wife as aforesaid, also the following slaves, Hampton Rachel and children, Dick, Mills, Ludsay, Tinsly, Flora and Sam. and the future increase of the said females, 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 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 have living at



the time of his death: and further that the said trustees with the consent of the said James W. Hrazier may change and substitute other trustees with the same power and duties of the said Robert Devlin and John F. Livingston, 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. Hrazier 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 kinds, plantation tools, implements of Husbandry, household 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 easiest 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 Benjamin to his Mother, and should he survive her then to my son James W. Hrazier and Robert Devlin and Lucretia Devlin

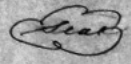
Item 9th I give and bequeath to my Grand daughter Martha B. Hrazier one negro girl named Merion with her future increase to her and to such children as she may have living at the time of her death; and should my said grand daughter die leaving no children then to such persons or person as she may by will appoint. I also give to my said grand daughter M. B. Hrazier a horse worth one hundred dollars a saddle and bridle to be chosen out of my property by my executor. I also give and bequeath to her four sisters viz Mary, Rebecca, Charity and Annabella the sum of ten dollars each

Item 10th I give and bequeath to Robert Devlin and John F. Livingston one Negro girl named Sarah in trust to and for the use of Edwin H. Hrazier the eldest son of Anne Comer, free from the debts, contracts, and obligations of the said Edwin H. Hrazier; with power to the said trustees with the consent of the said Edwin H. Hrazier to substitute and appoint other trustees and with power to the said Edwin H. Hrazier to dispose of the said Negro woman Sarah and her increase by will, and at the death of the said Edwin H. Hrazier the trust to be discharged. I also give the said Edwin H. Hrazier one horse 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 Gallulah H. Hrazier

Lastly I appoint Thomas Thomsen the executor of this my last 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 claim being my last will and testament on this twentieth day of August Anno 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 and testament of James Hrazier in presence of

James Hrazier 

5th Sept. 1842. Proven by John C. Ford and qualified Thomas Thomsen Executor the same day

David Esly C. A. D.

A. H. Spruce  
John C. Ford  
Sam W. Cochran

Codicil attached to the  
Last will and Testament  
of James Hrazier

State of  
South Carolina  
Abbeville District

I James Hrazier 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 Robert Devlin and John F Livingston and their heirs,  
in trust for James W Hrazier: To permit the said James W Hrazier to receive the rents  
issues and profits of the said tract of land (subject however to the provision aforesaid)  
free from the debts, contracts, and assignments voluntary or otherwise of the said  
James W Hrazier

In 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

James Hrazier

Seal

as a codicil to his will in presence of

Lewis Smith

Lucretia Tutton

Martha A. McLelland

Last will and Testament  
of Agnes Crawford and

The State of  
South Carolina  
being sick weak in body, but of sound mind and memory

In the name of God amen I Agnes  
Crawford of the District of Abbeville Widow  
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 negro woman Lete together with my stock of Hogs, cattle and horses, and  
furniture and kitchen furniture of what nature <sup>or kind</sup> soever to belong to them equally  
and jointly and their assigns for ever

2. And whereas my daughter Margaret Harris, Isabella Allen, Elizabeth Crawford  
and son William S. 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 Louis Executors of this my will, and allow them to  
pay all my just debts, from 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 and seal this 18th day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand  
eight hundred thirty eight

Signed, sealed, declared and published by the above  
named Agnes Crawford as and for her last will and testament  
in the presence us who at her request, and in her presence have  
subscribed our names as witnesses thereto

Agnes Crawford

John Speer  
Saml Metrophey  
Elizabeth Hutcheson

23 March 1842 sworn by John Speer  
and qualified as Administrator  
and Stephen Louis as Executor with the will annexed  
and Executor the same day David Lesly C. A. D.



The Last and Testament  
of James Balkoun de'ca

In the Name of God Amen

I James Balkoun of the District and State aforesaid 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

1<sup>st</sup> 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 here ~~after~~ 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 advise  
them to consult the Wishes and views of my dear Wife Sarah as to what parts  
or portions thereof shall be sold or disposed of

2<sup>nd</sup> 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  
thereof 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  
parts or portions of my Estate, real or personal, or both, as she may choose and  
deem right and just, but with <sup>express</sup> this limitation, that when she shall give so, she  
shall at the same time give equally to each of the others, with the exception  
of my daughter Sarah as aforesaid -

3<sup>rd</sup> At the death of my said dear Wife Sarah, I will, order and direct, that  
all my Estate, real and personal, which is by this 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  
preceding clause,

shall be divided between and amongst my four Children James M. John A.  
William S. 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  
paid off, I give devise and bequeath the same to my friends Thomas Dasher  
and Joseph Dixon, and my sons James M. and John A. and at the death of either  
of my said two sons then to my son William S. 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 Survivors or 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 -

4<sup>th</sup> I order, will, and direct, that the sum of nine hundred Dollars which I  
have up to this day advanced to my son William S. more than to either  
of my other sons, and the sum 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 and 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 Sally are only loaned and not given to

my son William H, and before division of my said Estate shall be made amongst my said four children as directed in the third clause of this 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 equal to the value of the portion of my Estate which 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 Dimeson 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 of my said so deceased son, or to the survivors or survivor of them; which two several amounts, or portions of my Estate to their value I give, devise and bequeath to them the said Thomas Parker, Joseph Dimeson 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 of my said so deceased son, or to the survivors or survivor of them upon the same special trust and confidence to be received and applied by them or the survivors or survivor of them to and for the use, benefit and behoof 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 behoof, to such child or children, his, her, or their Executors and Administrators and heirs forever, free from the said trust; but should she leave no such child or children, I then give, devise and bequeath her said share of my Estate to such of her Brothers or Brothers his, 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 them off as nearly as may be into four equal parts or lots, and if my said children cannot agree in the choice of lots or parts, then I direct them to draw for their respective lots; the deficiency 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 James Calhoun have hereunto set my hand and seal this 21<sup>st</sup> 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 presence of us, who, at his request and in his presence have subscribed our names as witnesses thereto

James Calhoun (Signature)

James Huggart  
Charles T. Washell  
W. M. Thomas

14th Feb 1814

31 Feb 1814 proven by Charles T. Washell and James Huggart and qualified William H. Calhoun as executor on the 14 Feb 1814

Feb 1814

David Lesly  
C. A. D.

Last Will and Testament of  
William P. Paul dec'd

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 Testament in manner following that is to say  
1<sup>st</sup> I desire after my decease that my horses cows waggon Hogs plantation tools and crop of all description Household hold and Kitchen furniture with the exception of my beds and bed cloaths & because to be immediately sold at publick auction by my acting executor herein after named and out of the proceeds thereof I desire that my just debts and funeral expences be paid

2<sup>nd</sup> I bequeath to my wife Agnes Elvira Paul five Dollars to her Executors and assigns for ever

3<sup>rd</sup> I bequeath to my daughter Sarah Frances five Dollars to her Executors and assigns for ever

4<sup>th</sup> I bequeath to my daughter Agnes Amanda five Dollars to her Executors and assigns for ever

5<sup>th</sup> I bequeath to my daughter Elvira Law five Dollars to her Executors and assigns for ever

6<sup>th</sup> I bequeath to my daughter Mary Lydia One Negro Woman name Peggy One negro man Jim One Negro girl name Jane One Negro boy Jane and their increase should there be any All my beds and bedcloathing & 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 willed to my daughter Mary Lydia should be sold by my acting executor or executors and the Amount thereof to be equally divided between the heirs of my brother George Paul and Jane Hill that is now dead and my sister Mary Devlin that is now living that each one of them ~~shall have~~ shall have an equal portion

7<sup>th</sup> 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 hired at the discretion of my Executor till they make the Amount that is taking of my debts and should the Amount that I have left to be sold over pay my debts I desire that my daughter should have it

8 I constitute and appoint as Executors to this my last Will and Testament James S. Millson Merchant at Abbeville Village James S. Devlin & James S. Hill In testimony whereof 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 two

signed published and declared as his last Will and Testament by the testator William P. Paul in the presence of us who in the name of the testator and each other have subscribed our names her unto as Witnesses

Edwards  
David Atkins  
Charles H. Wilson

Wm P. Paul  
27 Feb 1843 Proven by Charles H. Wilson  
and Qualified Saul S. Hill as Executor  
the Same Day

David Lesly  
D. A. D.

Last Will and Testament  
of William Bradshaw dec'd

South Carolina  
Abbeville District

In the name of God Amen I William Bradshaw of  
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 personal 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 issue the said Estate both personal &  
real shall be equally divided between my Grand children William and  
Elizabeth Pearson, Caroline Bradshaw the only child of Ed Bradshaw  
and Lucinda John Pearson the supposed illegitimate daughter of  
of John Bradshaw dec'd and Sarah Pearson the said children  
to hold and to keep for their separate and individual use, and lastly  
I appoint my son Henry Bradshaw and Dr J. Yarbrough my lawful  
Executors of this my last Will and Testament

Signed sealed and delivered in the presence of  
Jacob Hill Wm. Bradshaw  
Samuel Hill

Dec 12. 1843. James Hill

6 Feb 1843 Proven by Jacob Hill and  
Qualified Littleton Yarbrough 11th Feb 1843,  
as executor David Lesly  
D. A. D.

Last Will and Testament  
of Elijah Lyon dec'd

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 praise be God for the same and knowing that it is  
appointed unto all men once to die, do make this my last Will and  
Testament in manner and form following

To my wife Phebe Lyon I give and bequeath to during her natural life  
after paying my just debt 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 Maryann N. Lyon and the lawful heirs of her  
body one Negro Woman Eliza And to my Grand Son Nathaniel  
N. Lyon and the lawful heirs of his body one Negro Girl named



Martha. She said Mary Ann N. Lyon Dr Nathaniel N Lyon dying without lawful heirs of their body the 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 Phoebe Lyon I give and bequeath to my Grand son James N Lyon A Negro girl named Rachel and her increase and to my wife's Grand son Franklin M. Norwood a Negro boy named Ellis

At the death of my wife Phoebe Lyon I give and bequeath to my son Elisha Lyon Five dollars

at the death of wife Phoebe 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

I do nominate and appoint my step son John Norwood Executor of this my last Will and testament In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & 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 I. Hancock  
Lewis Rich

Elijah N Lyon *(Signature)*  
mark

Proven by Lewis Rich on the 23rd Jan. 1843  
and Qualified John Norwood as Executor  
The same day David Lesly  
C. C. T.

Last Will and Testament of  
William N. Lyon Dec'd


The State of South Carolina  
In the name of God Amen!

I William N. Lyon 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 to be my last Will and Testament;

- 1 My will and 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 Weins Land, thence north along the line between my Land and Land formerly owned by George Bowie, to the next corner, thence in a straight direction with the line aforesaid to the Old ditch near the Slough, thence along the Ditch to the creek; and as I consider it very desirable that my son William should remain with his Mother I give devise and 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 give and devise as a home for my wife Rebecca having 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 to be reserved as a home for my two daughters so long as they shall remain single, but if they Marry so long as either should remain single the same to be reserved as home

- For such ~~single~~ <sup>own</sup>. and at the death or marriage of my wife and the death or marriage of my said daughter then I give devise and bequeath the said tract of land lying east of the line aforesaid to my son William his heirs and assigns for ever, he paying to each of my other children one hundred and fifty dollars
- 3 I give and bequeath to my wife Rebecca my negroes Glasgow and Minna for ever.
- 4 I give and bequeath to my daughter Margaret <sup>my negroes</sup> Moriah Sice and Albert for ever.
- 5 I give and bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth my negroes, Frances John and Luther for ever.
- 6 I give and bequeath to my son William my negroes Pleasant and Sawney for ever.
- 7 I give and bequeath to my son Samuel two hundred and fifty dollars to be paid to him about the last of this year by my Executors out of my Estate
- 8 I give devise and bequeath to my sons James and Alexander my Share or Interest in a tract of Land situate in Henry County in Tennessee, which is known as the McFarle Land to them & their heirs for ever.
- 9 I will that my books be equally divided betwix my wife and my Children: manuscript Sermons I will and devise to be burnt
- 10 I give and bequeath to my wife for and during her Widowhood or life time all my house hold & kitchen furniture - and at her death or marriage to my son William & my two daughters
- 11 I give and bequeath to my wife and my son William all my horses, hogs, cattle and stock of every kind, plantation tools, Wagon & gears, for and during the Widowhood or life time of my said wife, and after her death or marriage my son William to have absolutely one half thereof and the other half to my two daughters aforesaid.
- 12 The balance of my negroes I give and bequeath to my wife for and during her life or widowhood and at the happenness 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 and all other provisions I will and devise to go to the support of the family without account.
- 14 It is my will and devise that my carriage should be taken and kept by my wife and daughter 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 1813

In presence of John Mier  
James H. Gilbert  
John J. Barnette

Wm. H. Barr 



South Carolina }  
Abbeville District }

Last Will and Testament of  
Nancy Atkin dec'd

In the name of God Amen,  
I Nancy Atkin of the District and State aforesaid.

being diseased and weak in body, but, of sound mind  
memory and understanding - do hereby make this my Last will and Testament  
in manner and form following - viz I bequeath unto my son Joseph Atkin,  
all the money I have received as my dividend of the real and personal estate of  
my son George Atkin; also, all the interest and claims of any kind whatsoever I  
may have or do possess to any of the Household, & Mitchell now in the possession  
of my son Joseph Atkin. And I do further give and bequeath unto my son  
Joseph Atkin, all the right, title, interest, and claims, which I may have had, or  
do now, or may hereafter possess in or to the following named Negroes - viz  
Winny and her three children, Milly, Henry and Martha - to Ussure, Moses,  
Aaron, Sealy, John, and Caroline. -

I do hereby nominate, constitute, and appoint my son Joseph Atkin my  
sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament, and in Witness whereof I  
do here sign, seal, publish and pronounce this to be my Last Will and  
Testament this twentyfifth day of November in the year of our Lord 1848.

Signed, sealed, published,  
and pronounced in presence of

Nancy Atkin 

Samuel Marshall  
Mary A. M. Gordon  
Susan C. Barnett

Last Will and Testament of  
Samuel Robinson dec'd

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

I Samuel Robinson of the above State and District,  
taking into consideration the uncertainty of this mortal life and being at  
this time of sound mind and memory (blessed be God for the same) do make  
this my Last will and Testament in the manner and form following viz,

Item 1<sup>st</sup> I will and bequeath the whole of my property which may be remaining at the  
time of my decease unto my beloved Wife to be enjoyed by her during her  
Natural life and at her death I order and direct,

2<sup>nd</sup> That all of the remaining property to be sold and the sale to be publick,  
and the proceeds of the same to be equally divided amongst my children but  
I hereby direct order and allow the two beds bedsteads and clothing which my  
daughters Jane and Eliza at this time calls theirs, to them as well as the loom  
and Tackling to Jane, my daughter - These items of beds, and the loom I will  
and bequeath to Jane and Eliza over and above an equal share of the  
residue of my property I hereby nominate and appoint David Robinson  
William Hill, and my son David Robinson Executors of this my Last will and  
Testament in Witness whereof I have subscribed hereunto my hand and seal  
this 17<sup>th</sup> day of July one thousand Eight hundred and forty one  
Signed, sealed, published and declared  
in the presence of us, who have hereunto  
subscribed our names in the presence of the Testator

Archibald McCord  
I. J. Gilman  
William Hill

Samuel Robinson Seal

22 March 1843 proven by I. J. Gilman  
and qualified William Hill and David Robinson  
as Executors 11 April 1843

David Lesley  
C. A. D.

Last Will and Testament of  
Robert H. Hay dead

State of South Carolina Abbeville District  
In the name of God Amen I Robert H. Hay of the

District and State aforesaid being weak in body but sound  
in mind and memory do this twenty fifth of November in the year of our Lord  
one thousand eight hundred and forty one make and Ordain this my last  
Will and Testament and hereby revoking all others In the first place I  
commend my soul to God Throough the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ  
and my body I commit to the earth to be buried decently by my friends  
and as touching such of worldly Estate that it hath pleased God to  
blep me with I give and bequeath the same in the manner and form  
following after all my Just debts and Funerel Charges are paid I then  
give and bequeath to my Grand son George Washington Kichey the  
son of my daughter Emily One thousand Dollars to be paid to him  
when he arrives to the age of twenty one year old also one negro girl  
name Dice with her increas I give and bequeath to my daughter  
Elizabeth Caroline, one negro girl name Ellen, to be in her possession at her  
Marriage or when she arrives at the age of twenty one I give and bequeath  
to my daughter Isabella Lestacia, one negro girl name Rebecca, to be  
in her possession at her Marriage or when she arrives to the age of twenty  
one year old, I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Eby all that  
tract of which I now live on containing one hundred and seventy Aers  
together with the interest of nine

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thousand dollars in bank stock on Charleston and Cincinnati rail road  
I give and bequeath to my beloved wife, a negro woman name Molly, and  
children Bill and Martha, also a negro man named Ned and negro woman  
name Grace also for my beloved wife to have four choice head of horses twelve  
head of choice cattle together with all the House hold furnitures Should my  
beloved wife ever have any more children I wish them to an Equal part  
with the rest of her children I wish my beloved wife to have my Waggon  
and Harness together with as many hogs and sheep as she thinks  
proper with the interest of all my bonds and note to remain in her  
possession during her life time or widow hood I give and bequeath to my  
four sons George H. Hay, John B. Hay, James H. Hay, Charles W. Hay,  
all my Land Estate to be equally divided betwixce them for the Land  
to be appraised so that each of my sons to have equal either in Land  
or money I desire that my children shall be sent to School and have  
good English education I wish as my boys come of age that their  
Land shall be run of to them and be in their possession also



For my two daughters to have in money ~~the same~~ <sup>the same</sup> ~~them~~ equal so that all my children shall have an equal share I desire and wish als at the death of my wife or marriage for all the property together with the tract of Land which I left her to be sold and equally divided between all my children I have care and all her children to be sold also a negro boy named Brunson and I do hereby nominate my son George and my wife Elby and my

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Friend Samuel Donald Executor of this my Last will and Testament signed sealed and acknowledged in the presence of us November 25<sup>th</sup> 1841

George Bigby  
George M. Bigby  
James W. Tracy

Robert H. Tracy *(L.S.)*

At April 1843 proven by George M. Bigby  
And Qualified Isabella Tracy and Samuel Donald  
as Executors & Executor the same day

David Lisle  
C. A. D.

Last Will & Testament  
of  
Miles Hardy dec'd.

In the name of God. Amen!

I Miles Hardy of the District of Abbeville and State of South Carolina being weak and sick in body but of sound and disposing mind and memory do

make and ordain this my last last will and Testament in manner and form following


- 1 I direct that my Executors hereafter to be named shall pay my just debts that I may be owing and collect whatever debts are owing me and place this fund at Interest taking proper security for its repayment
- 2 To my wife Elizabeth I give the use and benefit of all my Real and personal property during her life or widowhood under such restrictions as are hereafter named I allow her from the proceeds of the plantation to clothe and educate our children and pay all such expenses as may appertain to the support of the family or plantation and whatever surplus fund may remain to be put at interest under the direction of my Executors
- 3 On our childrens marrying or becoming of age I allow a valuation to be made of the personal property (except Household and plantation utensils) and for them to receive a proportionate share at valuation of the childrens part of the personal estate so that on a final settlement my children may all receive the same amount of property and be made as nearly equal as may be
- 4 In the event of my wife's marrying her control or management of my estate will cease and I then give her either her third or dower of the same as she may prefer, my Executors taking the necessary measures to secure the remaining part of my Estate for my children.

Lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my wife Eliza Executor and my brother John Hardy, and brother-in-law John C. Speer Executors of this my last will and Testament, and allow them to carry this my will and Testament into effect without the intervention of either Court of Law or Equity, and I further direct them that whenever it may become

necessary to sell any part of my estate, to do so either at publick or private sale, as to them shall seem best, and on such terms as they think the interest of my estate may require

And I also appoint my brother John Hardy and brotherinlaw John C Speer Guardians of my children, and request them in the event of the death of their mother, during their minority that they take measures to have them properly educated, and attend to such other matters, as they conceive will be most for their interest

Signed, Sealed, Published & declared as and for the last will and testament of Miles Hardy, at whose Request we have signed our names as witnesses thereto this 31<sup>th</sup> day of May A.D. 1843

Miles Hardy 

John W Connor  
James M Lattimer  
Nathaniel Newwood

By David Lesly Ordinary

State of So Carolina

Abbeville District

Personally came James M Lattimer, one of the subscribing witnesses to the foregoing instrument of writing, who made oath that he saw Miles Hardy sign seal, publish pronounce and declare the same to be his last will & Testament.

That Testator was then of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding to the best of this deponents knowledge & belief, and that John W Connor & Nathaniel Newwood, together with himself at the request of the Testator signed their names in presence of each other as witnesses thereto sworn to before me

James M Lattimer

17<sup>th</sup> July 1843 - David Lesly O.A.C.

State of South Carolina  
Abbeville District

By David Lesly Ordinary

We do solemnly swear that this writing contains the true last will of the within named Miles Hardy dec<sup>d</sup>. so far as we know or believe, & that we will well and truly execute the same by paying first the debts & then the Legacies contained in the said will as far as his goods & chattels will thereunto extend & the Law charge us, & that we will make a true and perfect inventory of all such goods and chattels

so help us God

Before me 17<sup>th</sup> July 1843

Qualified by

D Lesly O.A.C.

Eliza C Hardy

John C Speer

John Hardy



Last Will and Testament  
of Thomas M'Call dec'd

In the Name of God Amen!  
I Thomas M'Call of Abbeville District  
and State of South Carolina 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 es-  
tate as it hath pleased God to bless me with do make and ordain this  
my last will in manner following (that is to say) I desire that my iron  
Blacksmith tools and all such effects as my Executor herein after  
mentioned shall see proper to sell that shall not be mentioned in this my  
last will be commodiously sold after my decease and out of the money arising  
therefrom all my just debts and funeral Expenses be paid. after payment  
of my debts and funeral Expenses I give to my beloved Wife Jane M'  
Call all my estate both real and personal except such effects as shall  
hereafter be otherwise disposed of for and during her natural life and after  
her decease to sell all both real and personal and pay all my debts and  
Expenses against the said Estate and then the balance to be divid amongst  
my several heirs in manner following. I give to my son Stephen M'Call  
the one fourth of all my Estate after my debts ar paid as aforesaid to  
him and his heirs as aforesaid and to my Grandson Thomas R. M'Call  
my shot Gun I give to my son Thomas M'Call the one fourth of my Estate  
aforesaid to him and his heirs forever I give to my Daughter Jane the one  
fourth part of my real Estate as aforesaid also one cow and calf to her &  
her heirs forever I also give to my two Grand daughters heirs of my daugh-  
ter Molly Lagon dec'd & Rebecca Lagon & Mary Lagon the one fourth  
of my Estate as aforesaid also one loom one Spool Wheel one spinning  
Wheel one pot and one chest all in their possession except the one fourth  
of my Estate to be sold as above stated to them and their heirs forever and I  
give the same to them their heirs Executors administrators and assigns forever  
and lastly I do constitute and appoint my said Thomas M'Call Executor  
of this my last will and testament by me heretofore made.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this  
the eighth day of April one thousand Eight Hundred and forty three

Signed sealed published and declared  
as and for the last will and testament of  
the named Thomas M'Call in the presence  
of us — David M Wardlaw

Thomas M'Call

J. J. Cannon  
here  
Wm. Anderson  
witness

South Carolina  
Abbeville District  
By David Lesly Ordinary

Personally came David M Wardlaw & made oath that he was one of the  
subscribing witnesses to the foregoing testament of writing where being sworn  
saith that he saw Thomas M'Call. sign seal publish pronounce and declare  
the same to be his last will and testament that testator was then of sound  
and disposing mind memory and understanding to the best of the deponents  
knowledge and belief & that Wm Anderson and George J Cannon together

with himself at the request of the Testator signed their names in presence of each other as witnesses thereto

David M. Wardlaw

Sworn to before me

14<sup>th</sup> July 1843 David Lesly, O.A.C.

State of South Carolina

Abbeville District

By David Lesly, Ordinary

I do solemnly swear that this writing contains the true last will & testament of the within named Thomas McDill dec'd. so far as I know or believe & that I will well and truly execute the same by paying first the legacies contained in the said will as far as his goods and chattels will thereto extend & the law charge me & that I will make a true & perfect inventory of all such goods and chattels. So help me God!

14<sup>th</sup> July 1843

Thomas McDill

D. Lesly O.A.C.

Last Will and Testament  
of Rosa Moore

State of South Carolina  
Abbeville District

I Rosa Moore. 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) First I give and bequeath unto my oldest daughter Mary Roland one Bed and furniture at valuation as so much of my Estate I give and bequeath unto my next oldest daughter Nancy Arnold and her bodily heirs one bed and furniture at valuation as so much of my Estate to be counted in her part. I give and bequeath unto my next oldest daughter Jane Savenport and her bodily heirs one bed and furniture at valuation as so much of my Estate to be counted in her part. I give and bequeath unto my young est daughter Caroline Grayham one bed and furniture at valuation as so much of my Estate to be counted in her part. I also give and bequeath unto Caroline Grayham one cow. I give and bequeath unto my Grand-daughter Jane Holloway one Bed. to be kept by Caroline Grayham until she leaves or marries I give and bequeath unto my son Joseph Moore - one Collar - as his part of my Estate. also I desire that all my personal property of what nature or quality soever it may be - be immediately sold after my decease and out of the monies arising thereupon, all my just debts be paid and the balance be equally divided amongst the following children Meliaud A Moore Jane Savenport and her bodily heirs, Nancy Arnold and her bodily heirs Mary Roland, Caroline Grayham and John Moore after deducting out one Hundred & fifty Dollars which amount he has previously received and the heirs of my Daughter Rosa Ann Holloway namely, Jane Holloway Joseph M. Holloway and John S. Holloway to be paid over to them by my Executor when the come of age or marry. And lastly I do constitute and appoint my son Meliaud A Moore Executor of this my last will and testament by me heretofore made. In testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand



and affixed my seal this 12<sup>th</sup> day of March one thousand eight hundred and thirty nine

Sign, sealed published and declared as and for the last will and testament of the above named Rosa Moore. In the presence of us  
David W. McCants  
William Graham Senr.  
Samuel Graham

his  
Rosa X Moore  
mark

The above will and Testament proven on the oath of David W. McCants.  
24<sup>th</sup> August 1843

Last Will and Testament of James Lockheart

State of South Carolina Abbeville District

In the name of God Amen!

I James Lockheart of Abbeville District and State of South Carolina being weak in body but of perfect mind and memory, thanks be to God calling unto mind the mortality of my body, and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die, do make and ordain this my last will and Testament. That is to say principally and first of all, I give and recommend my Soul into the hands of Almighty God that gave it and my Body I recommend to the Earth to be buried in decent Christian burial at the discretion of my Executors, and trusting in the merits of my Redeemer for the remission of all my sins, And as touching such worldly matters & Estates wherein it has pleased God to bless me in this life with I give and dispose of the same in the following manner and form

- Item 1<sup>st</sup> I will that all my Just debts be paid & my funeral expenses be paid also
- Item 2 I will and bequeath unto my beloved son Joel Lockheart four Negroes To wit. One Negro Boy Hardy. One Negro Girl Lucy. One Negro Boy George one Negro Boy Lewis, and I will and bequeath that my son Joel Lockhart pay to John Green Clay as trustee for his Mother Polly Clay Four Hundred Dollars to be paid in annual instalments of Fifty Dollars until the whole is paid
- Item third I will to my beloved son Joel Lockheart as Trustee for my Daughter Nancy Ashworth one tract of land lying in Elbert county in the State of Georgia and the same whereon she now resides the same to remain in the hands of said Trustee or his Executors or Administrators until my said Daughters death & at her death, the said tract of Land to be sold, and the proceeds arising therefrom to be equally divided among the lawful heirs of my said Daughters body, share and share alike
- \* I give to my son in law, Simon Selby Five Dollars
- Item fourth I will to my son in law, Neal Ashworth five Dollars

Fourth

And I do hereby constitute and appoint my beloved son Joel Lockhart my Executor to this my last Will & Testament, also William Prepley my trusty friend my other Executor.

In witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this second day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & forty three

his  
James X Lockheart  
mark

signed sealed and acknowledged in the presence of (the will being first read to the Testator before signing.)

Van A Lawhorn  
Chauncey A Bowie  
William A Propley

Witness

The foregoing will was proven on the oath of William Propley. 8th July 1843

Last Will and Testament of George Pettigrew

In the Name of God Amen!

I George Pettigrew of Abbeville District South Carolina being weak in Body but of

perfect mind and memory thanks be to God calling unto mind the mortality of my Body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do make and ordain this my last will and testament that is to say Principally and first of all I give and recommend my soul unto the hand of Almighty God that gave it and my Body I recommend to the Earth to be buried in decent Christian burial at the discretion of my Executors nothing doubting but at the general resurrection I shall receive it again By the mighty power of God And as touching such worldly estates where unto it has pleased God to bless me in this life I give and dispose of the same in the following manner and form

I do first of all desire and direct that all my just debts and funeral expenses be paid out of my Estate I do bequeath to my daughter Sarah Oliver Six Hundred Dollars which she has already received and a negro Girl named Polly appraised to Eight hundred dollars. I do give to my Daughter Margaret Robinson three Hundred Dollars which she has already received and also a negro woman named easton and child named dilla ann appraised to eight Hundred and fifty Dollars. I desire that this negro woman and her increase after the death of my daughter Margaret Robinson to fall to the offspring of the decease of said Margaret my daughter her and her increase with the exception of her daughter Mary Emily who I desire to have at that time fully Ann entire I give to my son John Eben Pettigrew three hundred and fifteen Dollars which he has already received and also a negro man named Isaac appraised to one thousand Dollars. I give to my son Robert H. Pettigrew the Tract of Land where on he now lives at seven hundred and thirty six dollars and also a negro boy named Elijah appraised to four Hundred Dollars I give to my daughter Ross ann Brownlee a negro Girl named Milla at three Hundred and fifty dollars which she has already received also two Boys named Edmund and Joe appraised to seven hundred and fifty dollars I give to my Grandchildren Mary J Paskel and Sarah J Paskel A negro woman name Sharlot and my will is that the increase of the said Sharlot is to go to the said Mary J. Paskel and Sarah J. Paskel Shear and Shear alike and should one of the said children die the other to be the sole heir and at the death of their Grandmother my will is that the said children is to have their mother Part and it to be left in the hands of John Brownlee till



they become of age or marry. I give to my son George P. Pettigrew  
 two negro Boys. Sam and Alexander appraised to eight hundred  
 dollars also all my Real Estate or tract of Land where I now reside  
 at the death of my wife I desire and direct that all my personal  
 Estate that is left of the support of my consent to be sold and the  
 proceeds of the same to be equally divide Between all my children  
 except Perry he is to have no part as I think the Land is a good  
 portion I appoint my son Robert Pettigrew and my son in law John  
 Brownlee to be my lawful Executors of this my last will and testamen

Sign Seal in the presants of us In testimony whereof I have hereunto  
 set my hand and seal this first day of March in the year of our Lord  
 One thousand Eight hundred & thirty nine sign seal and published  
 by the said Georg Pettigrew as his last will and testament in the  
 presants of each other have here unto set our names as subscribers  
 witness

Witness  
 Joel Lockhart  
 John Robson  
 J of Baskin

George Pettigrew

Codicil

I have to my daughter Jane Paskel One Negro woman appraised to eight  
 hundred dollars and after the death of my wife Mary Pettigrew I will  
 and begeth that my Grand children Mary & Paskel and J Paskel have  
 their mother part to be left in the hands of John Brownlee as trustee  
 after the death of the granother or come of age and if one of the children  
 should die the other to be the soal her I will to my son Robert Petti-  
 grew one negro boy by name Lewis in the place of one that died  
 I give to my beloved son Perry Pettigrew one Negr by the name of Jack  
 also two hundred and fifty acres of Land taken off of the upper end of the  
 track my will is that Jeff an Allen and siller to be sold at twelve  
 month credit and the cotton crop to settle the debts and four mules  
 and my riging has to be left on the plad and one waggon to be sold I will  
 to my beloved wife Eleven negroes by name Ben. fanny Cole Sarah yellow  
 Harriet and black Harriet Reuler Willy Augustus and Peggy and also  
 my will is what cattle my wife can spare to be sold. my will is at the  
 death of my wife all the property that she may die possessed of to be sold  
 and equally divide among all my children an the grandchildren  
 Mary J Paskel and J Paskel share and shuan alike equally.

Sign seal in the presants of us In testimony whereof I have hereunto set  
 my hand and seal this twenty seventh day of June in the year of our  
 Lord One thousand eighth hundred and forty three sign seal and published  
 by the said George Pettigrew as his last will and testament in the  
 presants of each other have hereunto set our names as subscribers  
 witness

Witness  
 Joel Lockhart  
 J of Baskin  
 John W Brown

George Pettigrew

The foregoing Will and Testament, and also the Codicil attached, was proven by the oaths of Joel Lockhart and F. G. Baskin (two of the subscribing witnesses.) And John Brownlee & F. G. Baskins, were qualified as Executors on the Ninth day of August 1843.

Last Will & Testament of John Stewart dec'd

In the name of God amen!

I John Stewart Sr of S Carolina. Abberles 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 of all such worldly estate as it hath pleased God to bless me with, do make and ordain this my last in manner following, that is to say. I give to my son Charles 1 Negro girl Caroline 1 Boy Joe and 1 girl Eveline I give to my son James 1 Boy Sydney and 1 Girl Susan I give to my son John 1 Boy Sam and 1 girl Nan Also his note of hand for Six Hundred Dollars which will be found among my papers. I give to my son Mark 1 Negro Boy Ben & 1 Thompson and 1 Girl Louisa - I give to son Redman 1 Negro Boy George and Eight Hundred Dollars in cash which is all I intend giving him I give to my son Benton 1 Negro Boy Wiley and 1 Girl Eliza Also the Plantation on which I reside after my decease I give to my daughter Ciciana and her heirs 1 Negro woman Kit and 4 children, Mariah Lindsey Ginny and John and 1 Boy Thornton I give to son Shepherd 1 Negro Boy Jack and 1 Princ'd. The property named to Charles, James Mark, Benton Ciciana and Shepherd is now in their possession, which property I wish to be valued by disinterested persons to be kept at valuation, and also the personal property hereafter named to be valued and drawn for by the said Charles, James Mark, Benton Ciciana and Shepherd or their representatives, making the division as equal among the herein named Legates as possible, the slaves whose names are here inserted to be divided into lots, valued and drawn for as before mentioned.

Witnesse  
Saml. Ginny, Pris Sil, Het Cary, John, Linda, Solomon  
Jack, John Wilson, Bill, Ben, Mariah.

I the said John Stewart Sr do hereby constitute my three sons Mark Benton & Shepherd my lawful Executors In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal

Signed sealed Published and declared as for the last will and testament of the above named John Stewart Sr in the presence of us

John Stewart

Asaron Lomas  
Jesse Lomas  
Samuel Lomas

The above will and testament of John Stewart dec'd was proven by the oath of Asaron Lomas a subscribing witness, on 10<sup>th</sup> Aug 1843 and also B. G. Stewart & F. G. Stewart, was qualified Executors on same day (1843) 10<sup>th</sup> August 1843. David Selby C. S. D.



MunICIPATIVE Will  
of Mrs Sarah Fooshee

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Personally came J. W. H. Johnson  
D. P. Calhoun and Franklin Branch, before me, who made oaths  
that they heard Mrs Sarah Fooshee make the following testament-  
ary words or municipative will, & publish, pronounce, and declare  
the same to be her will, viz " she the said Mrs Sarah Fooshee in  
the Month of April 1843, in her last illness & in the House and  
on the Bed on which she died said " she wished her grand-daugh-  
ter (having only one Sarah Tabitha Ann Carter) to have a Negro Girl  
named Caroline - and each of her sons to have a bed and furniture  
each & the balance of her property to be sold and equally divided  
amongst all her children" That Testatrix was then of sound and  
disposing mind memory & understanding to the best of these Deponents  
knowledge & belief, and these Deponents were all personally present  
and bid by the Testatrix to bear witness that such was her Will

Given under my hand & seal of Office this 26<sup>th</sup> day of Augt  
A. D. One Thousand Eight Hundred & Forty-three, and sworn to same  
day -

David Lesly

O. A. D

J. D. P. Calhoun.

J. W. H. Johnson

Franklin Branch

Last will & Testament  
of John H. Armstrong dec:

South Carolina.

Abbeville District

In the name of God, Amen:

I John H. Armstrong of the State and District  
Aforesaid being of sound mind and disposing mind and memory,  
Calling to mind the uncertainty of life and being desirous to dispose of all  
such worldly affects as it has pleased God to bless me with do make and or-  
-rain this my last will in manner following.

(First)

I desire after my decease that my Executor hereafter shall sell at  
Publick outcry all my whole Estate both Personal and real of what ever  
nature and kind they may be and out of the proceeds thereof with  
what money and debt that are due to me I wish my just debts and  
General expenses Paid

2<sup>nd</sup>

It is then my wish that the remainan of my Estate whatever it may  
be, to be Equally divided between my wife Sarah my sister in law Nancy  
Kennedy who has lived with me since the death of my first wife and  
my five Children should my wife Sarah live to have the Child she is  
now with I wish it to share with the balance of my Children if my  
sister in law Nancy Kennedy should die before there is a division of my Estate  
it is my wish that the portion I have left her be Equally divided between  
my wife Sarah and my Children And it is also my wish that my wife  
Sarah shall have before there is any division of my Estate fifty Dollars in  
place of A. H. H. I also constitute sayd appoint my wife Sarah Armstrong  
Testamentary Guardian of my daughter Nancy H. Armstrong and should my  
wife Sarah live to have the Child she is now with I also appoint her  
Testamentary Guardian of it And it is further my desire that when the

-Settlement of my Estate shall take place between the Executor herein after named and my wife & Children that my wife shall give bond and securities to the ordinary of the district for the amount due her Child or Children which she becomes the guardian off the balance of my Children I leave to choose for themselves.

And lastly I constitute and Appoint Samuel L. Hill Exor. of this my last will and Testament by me heretofore made in Testimony whereof I have herunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 17th day of January 1843.

John H. Armstrong

signed, sealed, published and declared  
as for the last will and Testament  
of the above named John H. Armstrong  
in the presence of us-

Andrew S. Kennedy  
Hugh Armstrong  
Robert Deolin.

South Carolina

Abbeville District

Personally came Hugh Armstrong  
one of the subscribing witnesses to the foregoing instrument of writing  
& make oath that he saw John H. Armstrong sign, seal, publish, pronounce  
& declare the same to be his last will & Testament and that Testator  
was then of sound, disposing mind, memory and understanding to  
the best of deponent's belief & that he together with Andrew S. Kennedy  
& Robert Deolin at the request of the Testator signed their names as  
witnesses thereto

Sworn to before me }  
26<sup>th</sup> September 1843. }

Hugh Armstrong

D. Lely  
D. A. S.

South Carolina }  
Abbeville District } By David Lely Ordinary.

I Samuel L. Hill do swear that the writing contains the true  
last Will & Testament of John H. Armstrong dec'd. so far as I know or  
believe and that I will well and truly execute the same by  
paying first the debts & then the Legacy contained in said  
will so far as the law charges & his goods extend & return a true  
inventory of all said goods & chattels when required or as the  
Law direct

Samuel L. Hill

Sworn to before me  
26 September 1843.

David Lely  
D. A. S.



Last Will & Testament  
of Archibald Bigbee

State of South Carolina  
Abbeville District

In the name of God Amen.

I Archibald Bigbee of State and District afore-  
said Being of sound disposing mind and memory and Calling to  
mind the certainty of death do make and ordain this to be my last  
will & Testament in form and manner following.

1<sup>st</sup> I commit my soul to God who gave it and my body to the earth  
from whence it came. Thanks to God for enabling me to do so.

2<sup>nd</sup> I will that all my just debts be paid out of my Estate.

3<sup>rd</sup> The Balance of my Estate Both Real & Personal I wish to be equally  
divided amongst my several Children or their lawful Heirs Namely  
Catharine Spruill or her lawful Heirs George Bigbee, Thomas Bigbee -  
John Bigbee, Susannah Robinson, Margaret Spruill, Milly Ann Bigbee  
Archibald S. Bigbee or his lawful Heirs & Benjamin M. Bigbee.

And if my Negro Property could be so arranged in Chales or lots so as to be  
near Equally Divided amongst my seven surviving Children for them to  
take the property at its Valuations it is my will for them to do so, and  
if my Children cannot make such a Division amongst themselves  
of the Negroes I will that they should be sold and also all the  
Real Estate which I have in this State and Georgia and the proceeds  
arising therefrom I will to be Equally divided amongst my above  
named Children or their Legal Representatives. And I do appoint my two Sons  
George Bigbee and Benjamin M. Bigbee my Executors to the within or above  
will and for Geo. Bigbee to receive the several Legatee's Parts and to pay over  
the same to them severally and for Benj. M. Bigbee to receive his own  
equal distribution into his hands. Now having settled my Business  
according to my desire do make ordain & constitute this to be my  
Last Will & Testament & revoking all others. In witness whereof I  
do hereunto set my hand and seal this Ninth day August A. D. one  
thousand Eight Hundred and Forty three

Signed, sealed and acknowledged } Archibald Bigbee (Seal)  
in presence of }  
Samuel Robinson }  
Edward Robinson }  
George Mattison }  
South Carolina }  
Abbeville District } Personally

Came before me Samuel Robinson one of the subscribing witnesses to  
the foregoing Instrument of Writing & made oath that he saw  
Archibald Bigbee sign, seal, publish & pronounce & declare the same to be  
his Last Will & Testament - that Testator was then of sound & disposing  
Mind, Memory & Understanding to the best of this deponents Knowledge  
& belief & that Edward Robinson & George Mattison together with this  
deponent did sign their names as witnesses thereto in the presence  
of & at the request of the Testator & in presence of each other.

Sworn to before me  
this 16 Oct. 1843

David Selby  
D. A. D.

Samuel Robinson.

South Carolina }  
 Abbeville District } Personally came George Bisbee one of the  
 named Executors in the foregoing will & made oath that the  
 foregoing Instrument of Writing contains the true last will  
 & Testament of Archibald Bisbee dec'd. so far as I throw a believe  
 and that I will well & truly execute the same by paying  
 first the debts & then the Legacies contained in the said will so  
 far forth as the Law Charges & directs & the said goods & Chattels  
 will therunto extend; and return a true & correct inventory & ap-  
 praisement thereof when therunto required. as the law directs  
 So help me God.

Sworn to before me and qualified } George Bisbee  
 Before me 16 Oct. 1843. }  
 David Cady }  
 P. A. D. }

Last Will & Testament  
 of John Glasgow

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

I John Glasgow of the State and District  
 aforesaid being of sound and disposing mind and memory, but weak  
 in body and knowing that all men have once to die and being desirous  
 to dispose of all such worldly estate as it has been my good fortune to be  
 possessed of, do make and ordain this my last will and Testament in  
 manner following that is to say;

After the payment of my just debts and funeral expenses, I will  
 and bequeath to my beloved wife Eliza Ann Glasgow all the remain-  
 -er of my Estate both Real and Personal to be hers and her heirs  
 forever, except one hundred and sixty six acres of land lying on  
 the bowl branch upon which James McColliester now lives  
 which said land I will to my sister Jane McColliester during the  
 term of her natural life and at her death to go to my wife  
 said wife Eliza Ann Glasgow.

and lastly I do constitute and appoint my said wife executrix  
 and my friend Richard A. Martin executor of this my last  
 Will & Testament. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my  
 hand and seal this second day of December in the year of  
 our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty two

Signed and sealed

John Glasgow *J. G.*

in presence of

Robert McCoub

George Cochran

W. A. Smith

25<sup>th</sup> Oct. 1843. I decline qualifying & consent that R. A. Martin qualify singly  
 in the matter of John Glasgow Last Will & Testament of Eliza Ann Glasgow.  
 Having examined Robert McCoub one of the subscribing witnesses to the  
 last will of John Glasgow dec'd. and being satisfied with the proof  
 that the paper hereto attached is the last will & Testament of the dec'd.  
 It is therefore ordered that the same be admitted to probate in common form.



25<sup>th</sup> Oct. 1845.

Davia Lesly  
O. A. D.

South Carolina }  
Abbeville District } 3

By Davia Lesly Ordinary.

Personally came Robert McCoub before me one of the subscribing witnesses to the attached instrument of writing who made oath that he saw John Glasgow sign, seal, publish, pronounce, & declare the same to be his last will & Testament - that Testator was then of sound and disposing mind, memory & understanding to the best of this deponents knowledge & belief & that George Cochran & W. A. Smith together with himself at the request of the Testator signed their names in presence of each other as witnesses thereto.

Given under my hand and seal of office this 25 Oct. 1845  
Sworn to before me Sunday } Robert Coult  
Davia Lesly }  
O. A. D.

South Carolina }  
Abbeville District } 3

I do solemnly swear that the paper hereto attached or writing contains the true last will of the within named John Glasgow dec. as far as I know or believe and that I will well and truly execute the same by paying first the debts & then the legacies contained in the said will as far as his goods & chattels will therunto extend, and that I will charge me & that I will make a true & perfect inventory of all such goods & chattels to help me God.

Richard S. Martin

Sworn to before me }  
25 Oct. 1845 }  
David Lesly }  
O. A. D.

Last Will & Testament  
of Martha McCormic

The State of South Carolina }  
Abbeville District } 3

In the name of God. Amen:

I Martha McCormic being diseased and weak in body, but of sound mind, memory and understanding do make this my last will and Testament in manner and form following. viz. First my will is that after my decease, that my body shall receive decent Christian burial, and that my executor shall pay all my just debts.

Second: My will and desire is and I do hereby give and bequeath unto my beloved son Isaac McCormick, all my interest and estate in the land, or plantation on which I now live, and also, all my right, title and claims to the following named negroes and their future increase, to wit: Annis, Caroline, Sarah & Daw -

And I do also give and bequeath unto my said son Isaac McCormick all my house-hold and kitchen furniture and all other goods and chattels, I do now possess or may hereafter own or possess to have and to hold the same in his own right for ever.

I do hereby nominate, constitute and appoint my said son

Isaiah McCormick take my sole executor to this my last will & testament; which I do now publish and pronounce to be my last will - hereby revoking all former wills by me made. In witness whereof I do here by set my hand and seal this 18<sup>th</sup> day of July in the year of our Lord 1843.

signed and sealed  
in presence of  
James Marshall  
Charles Sproull  
John H. Martin

Martha <sup>her</sup> McCormick.  
mist

In the matter of Martha McCormick  
Last will & Testament

In the Court of Ordinary 24 Oct. 1843.

Having examined Charles Sproull one of the subscribing witnesses to the last will of Martha McCormick decd. And being satisfied with the proof that the paper is the last will & testament of the deceased. It is therefore ordered that the same be admitted to probate in Common Form.  
David Lely Gray, A. D.

South Carolina }  
Abbeville District } By David Lely Gray.

Personally came Charles Sproull before me one of the subscribing witnesses to this instrument of writing who made oath that he saw Martha McCormick sign, seal, publish, pronounce and declare the same to be her last will and testament. And that Testatrix was then of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding to the best of this Deponent's knowledge & belief and that Samuel Marshall and John H. Martin together with himself at the request of the Testatrix signed their names in the presence of each other as witnesses thereto  
Charles Sproull

Sworn to before me  
this 24<sup>th</sup> Oct. 1843.  
David Lely  
A. D.

South Carolina }  
Abbeville District } I do solemnly swear that this paper or writing contains the true last will of the within named Martha McCormick decd. so far as I know or believe and that I will well and truly execute the same by paying first the debts and then the legacies contained in the said will, as far as her goods and chattels will thereunto extend & the Law Charge me. & that I will make a true & perfect inventory of all such goods and chattels  
So help me God.  
Isaiah McCormick

Sworn to before me }  
24<sup>th</sup> Oct. 1843. }  
David Lely }  
A. D. }



Last Will & Testament  
of George Loumax dec'd.

State of South Carolina }  
Abbeville District Court }

In the name of God. Amen.

I George Loumax of said State and District ~~of~~ <sup>residing</sup> west of body  
but of sound and disposing mind and memory and calling to mind  
the uncertainty of life do make and ordain this my last  
Will & Testament:

1<sup>st</sup> I desire that my just debts and funeral expenses be paid; for  
which purpose I have set apart a portion of my personal and  
real estate as below described:

2<sup>d</sup> To my beloved wife Barbara K. Loumax, I give devise and bequeath the follow-  
ing property, Big Tom. John. Abbeville Betty old line: one hundred &  
fifty acres of land to include the dwelling house and buildings and  
the lines shall be run to include that quantity of land from my  
tract as the my said wife may direct or wish; also three beds, bedstead  
and furniture. The household and kitchen furniture & three hundred  
dollars in cash: The above provision for my wife to be in full of her  
claim upon my estate and to be in line and bar of her dower  
The said property given to her and heirs for ever.

3<sup>d</sup> I give and bequeath to my son John W. Loumax a horse, saddle and  
Bridle worth one hundred dollars, a bed and furniture; a negro  
man named Harry and a negro girl named Lucinda and as  
the said property is now in the possession of my said son John W.  
Loumax, I give, bequeath and confirm him in his said possession.

4<sup>th</sup> To my daughter Matilda Douglas the wife of Thomas J. Douglas  
I have already given in cash the sum of six hundred and fifty  
dollars, and a horse saddle and Bridle worth one hundred dollars  
and I confirm hereby the said advancement; And I give and be-  
queath to my sons William A. Loumax and James N. Loumax a  
negro woman Fanny and her increase in future, in trust and  
for the use of my said daughter Matilda and ~~to~~ <sup>the</sup> said woman  
Fanny to remain in the hands and possession of my said daughter  
Matilda free from the present or future debts or contracts of her said  
husband Thomas J. Douglas; and after the death of my said  
daughter Matilda the trust to be discharged and the said woman  
Fanny and her increase, if any, to be the property of such children  
as my said daughter Matilda may leave living at the time of her  
death.

5<sup>th</sup> I have already advanced to my son George W. Loumax a horse, saddle  
and Bridle worth one hundred dollars and a negro man Gato and  
I hereby confirm these advancements: I further give and bequeath  
to my said son George W. Loumax a negro boy named Soliver and  
a bed, bedstead and furniture.

6<sup>th</sup> I have already advanced to my son James N. Loumax a horse, saddle  
and Bridle worth one hundred dollars and a negro woman Mary  
and I hereby confirm these advancements to my said son; I  
further give to my said son James N. Loumax a negro boy named Wells  
and a bed, bedstead and furniture.

1<sup>st</sup>

I have already advanced and given to my son William A. Lomas a negro girl named Jane and a negro boy Henry and I give and confirm hereby the said gift and advancements. I further give and bequeath to my said son William A. Lomas a horse, saddle and bridle worth one hundred Dollars. a bedstead and furniture.

8<sup>th</sup>

It is my will and desire, that all the realty and balance of my real and personal estate, consisting of Land not selected by my wife as aforesaid, negroes, stock of all kinds be sold by my Executor for the payment of my debts. And whatever may remain after the payment of my debts, I wish to be equally divided between my children John W. Lomas, Matilda Douglas, George W. Lomas James N. Lomas and William A. Lomas; the part or share however that would be coming to and given to my said daughter Matilda Douglas, I give and bequeath to my son William A. Lomas and James Lomas in trust for the sole use and benefit of my said daughter Matilda free from the debts or contracts present or future of her husband Thomas J. Douglas: with power to said Trustees to expend and lay out the whole of said part, principal and interest at the request of said Matilda Douglas, if she deem it necessary; and if any thing should remain after the death of my said daughter Matilda, the same to be equally distributed amongst such children as she may have living at the time of her death, free and discharged from the said trust.

said Trustees

9<sup>th</sup>

I empower my Executors to sell my real and personal estate as aforesaid The land to be sold and credit of one and two years: the personally on a credit of one year.

10<sup>th</sup>

I appoint my sons George W. Lomas and James N. Lomas and William A. Lomas. Executors of this my last will and Testament.

G. Lomas (L.S.)

Signed sealed and delivered in the presence of the witnesses below named who in the presence of each other & the testator

witnessed the same

Franklin Branch.

George Lomas.

Thos. Thomson.

In the matter of Geo Lomas - Will

In the Court of Ordinary 17<sup>th</sup> Nov 1843

Hearing examined Thomas Thomson one of the subscribing witnesses to this will of Geo. Lomas Sr. decd. & being satisfied with the proof that the paper is the last will & Testament of the decd.

It is ordered that the same be admitted to probate in Common Form. South Carolina. Abbeville District. David Ledy S. A. D.

By D. Ledy Ordg. Personally came Thos Thomson before me one of the subscribing witnesses to this instrument of writing, who made oath that he saw Geo. Lomas sign, seal, publish, pronounce & declare the same to be his last will & Testament, and that testator was then of sound & disposing mind, memory & understanding, to the best of this deponents



Knowledge & belief and that Franklin Branch & Geo. Lomax together with himself at the request of the testator signed their names in presence of each other as witnesses thereto - Tho<sup>s</sup> Thornlow

Sworn to before me 17<sup>th</sup> Nov. 1843

\* Branch interlined before signing } David Seely

O. A. D.

South Carolina - Abbeville District. We do solemnly swear that this paper or writing contains the true last will of the within named George Lomax or dec<sup>d</sup> as far as we know or believe and that we will well and truly execute the same by paying first the debts & then the legacies contained in the said will as far as his goods & chattels will therunto extend & the law charge us, and that we will make a true & perfect inventory of all said goods & chattels, as help us God.

G. W. Lomax

Sworn to before me 17<sup>th</sup> Nov. 1843.

Wm A. Lomax

David Seely

J. N. Lomax

O. A. D.

Last Will & Testament of Thomas Hawthorn dec<sup>d</sup>

South Carolina - Abbeville District.

In the name of God. Amen.

I Thomas Hawthorn being of sound mind but weak of body and considering the uncertainty of this mortal life do make this my last will and Testament in manner and form following, that is to say - First - I resign my soul to God who gave it, hoping for a remission of my sins in the mediation of his son Jesus Christ - My worldly affairs I will and devise of in the following manner - first - My will is that my executors herein after named shall pay all my just and lawful debts in order to which it will be necessary for my Executor to sell all my personal estate except my household furniture.

Item 5<sup>th</sup>

My plantation or tract of land on which I now live containing three hundred acres more or less I give to my wife Mary Hawthorn, together with all of my household furniture of whatever kind - for her own proper use during her natural life time or widowhood - at her decease to be equally divided between all my children hereinafter named - in the event of my said wife intermarrying she shall receive an equal share with my children of my plantation and household furniture - My son John who is now settled on a part of my plantation, shall pay for the support and maintainance of my said wife a reasonable rent to be awarded by the appraisers selected for the appraising of my personal property - or other competent persons, and provided also if any of my other children should settle on my said plantation, that the expiration of four years after such settlement they sh<sup>d</sup>. the said a reasonable rent to be exact in the same manner - the same provided for my son John - that is - they shall have the same benefit of any improvement that they make for this - but

term of four year after which time they shall pay rent as herein before provided -

Item - I give to my son John M one sorrel horse named - Fine also one bed & furniture - which he - horse and furniture he has already received together with our seventh part of my personal estate -

Item - I give to my daughter Elizabeth Caroline one seventh of my personal estate -

Item - I give to my daughter Polly Ann - one seventh of my personal estate -

Item - I give to my son James Robert one seventh of my personal estate & also one gray horse named Charley

Item - I give to my son William Andrew Jackson - one seventh of my personal estate - also one year old colt named Whip -

Item - I give to my daughter Nancy Arline - one seventh of my personal estate & also one side saddle.

Item - I give to my wife Mary in addition to what has already been mentioned one seventh of my personal estate also my will is that my said wife Mary give to my five children Elizabeth Caroline, Polly Ann, James Robert, William Andrew Jackson and Nancy Arline each one bed & furniture and other household furniture equal to what my son John has already received

And lastly - I do hereby constitute and appoint my sons John M. James Robert and David O. Hawthorn - sole executors of this my last will and testament - hereby revoking all former wills by me made - in testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and seal this 8<sup>th</sup> day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty three;

signed sealed and declared } Thomas Hawthorn *T. D.*

to be my last will in presence of

W. C. Sharp

A. H. Miller

Johnson W. Sharp

In the Court of Ordinary 27 Nov. 1843

Having examined Johnson W. Sharp one of the subscribing witnesses to this

will of Thomas Hawthorn dec'd & being satisfied with the proof that the paper is the last will of said dec'd. It is ordered that the same be admitted to probate in common form. David Lely O. A. D.

South Carolina Abbeville District Personally came

Johnson W. Sharp one of the subscribing witnesses to this instrument of writing who made oath that he saw Thomas Hawthorn sign, seal, publish, pronounce & declare the same to be his last will & testament and that testator was then of sound & disposing mind, memory and understanding to the best of this deponent's knowledge & belief & that A. H. Miller & W. C. Sharp together with himself at the request of the testator signed their names in presence of each other as witnesses thereto.

Sworn to before me 27 Nov 1843.

David Lely O. A. D.

Johnson W. Sharp.



South Carolina } we do solemnly swear that this paper or writing  
 Abbeville District } contains the true last will of the within named  
 Thomas Hathorn decd. so far as we know or believe and that  
 we will well and truly execute the same by paying first the debts  
 & then the legacies contained in the said will as far his goods & chattels  
 will therunto extend & the law charge us & that we will make a true  
 & perfect inventory of all said goods & chattels. So help us God.

D. O. Hathorn  
 John M. Hathorn  
 James R. Hathorn

Done to before me 21<sup>st</sup> Nov. 1843.  
 David Selby, D. A. D.

Last Will & Testament  
 of Wm A. Moore

State of South Carolina.  
 In the name of God Amen!

I William A. Moore of the District of Abbeville  
 and State aforesaid being at present of sound mind, memory and  
 understanding do make and ordain this to be my last will & testament  
 in manner and form following viz.

- 1<sup>st</sup> I give and bequeath unto my son John Washington Moore  
 one negro man named Henry and one hundred dollars in  
 cash (he having already received the cash)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> I give and bequeath unto my daughter Selitha Ann McCants  
 one negro boy named Lee & fifty dollars in cash - also five hun-  
 dred and fifty dollars which D. W. McCants my son-in-law has received
- 3<sup>rd</sup> I give and bequeath unto my son William Andrew Moore, one  
 negro boy named Augustus, one negro woman Polly & her child  
 Siloa, with her future increase which woman & child he has  
 received -
- 4<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath unto my son ~~Augustus~~ <sup>John</sup> Moore, one  
 negro man Edmund & his wife (big Sally) with her two children  
 Dianah & Adaline, with her future increase -
- 5<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath unto my son Augustus Wesley Moore one  
 negro man Jim & his wife (little Sally) & child Phealy with her  
 future increase -
- 6<sup>th</sup> I give & bequeath unto my son Doctheras Clayton Moore one  
 negro woman Mary and her two children Eliza & Mitchell with  
 her future increase also one boy named Willis -
- 7<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath unto my daughter Jane Elizabeth Moore  
 two negro girls, namely, Amanda & Kinna with their future in-  
 crease
- 8<sup>th</sup> I leave subject to the control of my Executors one negro woman  
 Rachel & her son Stephen, also one hundred and twenty five  
 dollars in cash, which money my Executors will control &  
 take charge of, keeping it at interest unless it becomes necessary  
 for the support of my daughter & her children, then my desire is that  
 it shall be so expended as will answer their necessities, the said  
 negro under the contrall of my Executors to be managed for the use  
 and benefit of my daughter Lucinda Colbert & her children  
 while the children remain single or under age - but

after they arrive to the age of twenty one or marry then in that case my daughter Lucinda Calvert is to have the use and benefit of the said negroes untill her death and after her death to be sold and divided Equally between her childrens -

9<sup>th</sup>

I leave and bequeath to the use of my beloved wife (Lucy Moore) and for the purpose of raising my children untill they marry or become of age - the following property the tract of land where on I now live - all the stock, Corn & provisions sufficient for their support one year - also the household & kitchen furniture - plantation tools &c.

When the youngest child arrives to the age of twenty one or at the death of my wife or in case she should marry in either of those cases - my desire and request is that my Executors will sell of the whole Estate both real & Personal retaining a sufficiency to support my wife decently during her natural life or widowhood and dividing the balance Equally between my children or their heirs - my Executors retaining my daughter Lucinda Calvert's part in their hands for her use as before prescribed -

10<sup>th</sup>

My desire is, that all the negroes which I have herein bequeathed & set apart for my children who are yet minors to be kept together in Common with the rest of my Estate and my Executors is requested to have the children Educated & pay the expenses of the same out of the proceeds of the farm.

11<sup>th</sup>

My request is that the crop of cotton that may be on hand to be sold in market for cash & the proceeds to be divided as before directed

Lastly

I do hereby nominate, constitute and appoint my son John W. Moore & my son-in-law David W. McCants to be my Executors of this my last will & Testament, hereby revoking and annulling all former wills by me made. Ratifying & confirming this and no other to be my last will & Testament witness my hand & seal this the 17<sup>th</sup> day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty three

William A. Moore (Signature)

The word surviving in the latter part of the 9<sup>th</sup> section was rased out before signing with two other words interlined.

Test Joel Smith }  
Williston W. Franklin } In the matter of  
William Graham } William A. Moore's Will

In the Court of Ordy, 15<sup>th</sup> Nov. 1846.

Having examined Joel Smith one of the subscribing witnesses to this last will of William A. Moore decd. and being satisfied with the proof that the paper is the last will & Testament of the deceased. It is therefore ordered that the same be admitted to probate in Common Form David Seely, C. C. D.



South Carolina }  
 Abbeville District } Personally came Joel Smith before me one  
 of the subscribing witnesses to this instrument (attached) of writing  
 who made oath that he saw William A. Moore sign, seal, publish  
 pronounce and declare the same to be his last will & Testament  
 and that testator was then of sound & disposing mind, memory &  
 understanding to the best of this deponent's knowledge & belief and  
 that Williston W. Franklin and William Graham together with  
 himself at the request of the testator signed their names in  
 presence of each other as witnesses thereto.

Sworn to before me }  
 15 November 1843. } Joel Smith  
 David Lely }  
 O. A. D. }

South Carolina }  
 Abbeville District } We do solemnly swear that this paper or writing  
 (attached) contains the true last will of the within named William  
 A. Moore decd. so far as we know or believe and that we will well  
 and truly execute the same by paying first the debts and then the  
 legacies contained in the said will as far as his goods & chattels will  
 therewith extend & the law charge us & that we will make a true &  
 perfect inventory of all such goods & chattels, so help us God.

Sworn to before me }  
 15 Nov. 1843. } John W. Moore  
 David W. McCarty  
 David Lely }  
 O. A. D. }

Last will & Testament  
 of Jno. Foshue decd.

State of South Carolina }  
 Abbeville District }

The last will & Testament  
 of John Foshue of the state and District aforesaid  
 witnesseth that he is of sound mind and disposing memory and  
 has thought proper to make the following distribution and arrange-  
 -ment of his worldly estate viz:

It is my will and desire to give to Charles W. Foshue the Bed, Bedstead and  
 furniture the cow and calf the horse saddle and bridle that I furnished  
 him with in one thousand eight hundred and thirty eight. Also a tract  
 of land known as my old plantation or tract with the Watkins tract en-  
 -bracing a part of the Cunningham tract as the following boundaries  
 lines and landmarks will designate. Viz: Commencing at the stake  
 corner near John N. Samples now Calhoun's running thence to the  
 Cunningham Spring and to corner immediately in said Spring and from  
 thence to the hickory corner embracing all the lines of the two first named  
 tracts. The above named property I estimate the value at fifteen hundred  
 Dollars.

It is my will and desire to give John W. Foshue the Bed Bedstead and  
 furniture the cow and calf the horse saddle and bridle that I fur-

-mistake him with in one thousand eight hundred and thirty eight - I also give him part of the Gunningham tract that I have not heretofore willed commencing at the State Corner running thence to the corner in the Gunningham Spelling from thence to the Hickory corner from thence to the Johnston line and from said line to the Mitchells road and from thence to the above named State Corner. I also give him two Negro girls Adaline and Rachel purchased by me at my sisters Henrietta Richardson's sale, the above named Negroes he has now in possession estimate the value of the above named property at fifteen hundred dollars

3<sup>rd</sup>

It is my will and desire to give to my daughter Louisa Logan the Bed Bedstead and furniture and stand of Curtains the cow and calf the horse saddle and Bridle that I furnished her with in one thousand eight hundred and thirty eight. I also give and bequeath to my daughter Louisa Logan and to her bodily heirs the following slaves with their issue Viz: Charlotte, Judy, Sally, George Gilbert. Estimate the value of the above named property at twenty seven hundred dollars.

4<sup>th</sup>

It is my will and desire to give to Joel Foshee a bed, Bedstead and furniture a cow and calf a horse saddle and Bridle a plantation or tract of Land being a part of the tract I now reside on. Being to the South of the Childers Ferry Road commencing at a State Corner of Griffin Goulings leaving my Gin House a little to the left. On intersecting the Childers Ferry Road making it the line to Capt. Eddins corner then parallel with said line until it intersects Wilsons Creek making the creek the line to the mouth of Little Rocky Creek. up Rocky Creek until it intersects the Goulding corner near the creek from thence to the first named corner the above named tract of Land contains the Hevia and Chatham tract. Estimate the value of the above named property at three thousand dollars.

5<sup>th</sup>

It is my will and desire to give to Robt. Foshee a bed Bedstead and furniture a cow and calf a horse saddle and Bridle and the Ballance of my tract of Land that I now reside on with the improvements not heretofore disposed of. Estimate the value of the above named property at thirty five hundred dollars.

6<sup>th</sup>

It is my will and desire to give to my daughter Martha Jane Foshee and to her bodily heirs a Bed Bedstead and furniture with a stand of Curtains a cow and calf a horse Bridle and Saddle and these slaves Viz: Saryann Maryann and Anthony. Estimate the value of the above named property at fifteen hundred dollars.

7<sup>th</sup>

It is my will and desire that the Ballance of my slaves not disposed of with their increase shall be equally divided between Charles W. John W. Joel. Robert and Martha Jane Foshee the names of the slaves is as follows: Betty Jim Nedy Fanny Charity Simon Elly Abram Rachel Chaney Sandy Phill Willis Wiley Hose Moses Jines Harriet Cindy Edmund Gary Nelson Vincine Nathan Jeffrey Valand



I require and enjoin it on my Executors to select five disinterested and judicious persons who shall value the above named property with their increase and divide the same into lots keeping the respective families as much together as existing circumstances will admit of making five lots and placing the names and valuation on each lot placing the stripes of paper containing each lot in a hat and after shaking them up call the eldest Legatee to draw first, and so on until all is drawn excepting the youngest Legatee which will remain in the hat.

8<sup>th</sup> It is my will and desire that the Balance of my Estate not otherwise willed shall be sold at public outcry on a credit of twelve Months my Executors observing the customary requisites of the Law.


9<sup>th</sup> It is my will and desire that my Executors shall collect money due my Estate on demand and satisfy every legal and just demand against the same -

10<sup>th</sup> After paying my just debts it is my will and desire that the Balance of my Estate not disposed of shall be equally divided between my six Children Charles W. John W. Joel Robert Louisa and Martha Jane - to share and share alike.

11<sup>th</sup> I request my Brother Charles B. Foshue and Brother in law Joel Smith to counsel and advise my Executors in all matters appertaining to establish and execute this my last Will and Testament.

12<sup>th</sup> I require and enjoin it on my Executors to counsel and advise with their uncle Charles B. Foshue and Joel Smith from time to time as circumstances may require for instruction -

13<sup>th</sup> I do constitute and appoint my four sons Charles W. Foshue John W. Foshue Joel Foshue and Robert Foshue Executors of this my last will and Testament by me heretofore made in testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this the eighth day of June Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and forty.

John Foshue 

Signed sealed published and declared as and for the last will and Testament of the above named John Foshue in the presence of us

David Gilliam  
John Sadler  
Nathaniel McCants

In the Court of Ordinary  
19<sup>th</sup> Dec. 1843 -

Hearing examined John Sadler one of the subscribing witnesses to this will of John Foshue decd. & being satisfied with the evidence that the paper is the last will of the decd. It is ordered that the same be admitted to probate in Common Form

So. Ga.  
Abbeville District

Dania Ledy C. A. J.  
By Dania Ledy Ordg.

Personally came John Sadler one of the subscribing witnesses to this instrument of writing, who made oath that he saw John Foshue sign seal publish pronounce & declare the same to be his last will and Testament and that Testator was then of sound

and disposing mind memory and understanding to the best of this Deponents knowledge & belief and that David Gilliam & Nathaniel McCants together with himself at the request of the Testator signed their names in presence of each other as witnesses thereto

Sworn to before me 13 Decr 1843

John Sadler

David Lely O. A. D.

South Carolina

Abbeville District

We do solemnly swear that this paper contains the true last will of the within named John Foster decd. so far as we know or believe and that we will well and truly execute the same by paying first the debts and then the legacies contained in said will as far as his goods & chattels will therunto extend at the Law charge us & that we will make a true and perfect inventory of all said goods & chattels when required. So help us God.

Sworn to before me

13 Decr 1843

David Lely

O. A. D.

John W. Foster

Last Will & Testament of Thomas Parker.

South Carolina Abbeville District

In the name of God Amen!

I wish all my just debts paid as soon as they can conveniently be.

I give, demise and bequeath to my beloved wife Ellen L. Parker, my whole estate both real and personal to her her heirs, executors, administrators and assigns forever.

I leave my whole estate to her because some of my children are so young that I cannot judiciously apportion my estate among them and confidently expect that my beloved wife will give to each of them such a portion as circumstances may seem to render advisable and that she will see and have them properly educated -

I nominate constitute and appoint my beloved wife Ellen L. Parker sole executrix of this my last will and Testament and authorize and empower her to sell and dispose of any part of my estate or the whole thereof if she should see fit, either at public or private sale and upon such terms as she shall see fit, and to make good and sufficient titles to the purchaser or purchasers thereof. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this twenty fourth day of January in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and forty four  
Thomas Parker Seal



Continued  
 Signed, sealed, published  
 and declared by the Testator  
 as for his last will & Testament  
 in whose presence and in presence  
 of each other we have at his request  
 subscribed our names as witnesses thereto  
 J. F. Rice  
 Jas. Taggart  
 A. T. Hamilton

In the matter of Thos. Parker's Will.

In the Court of Ordinary  
 11 April 1844. Having examined J. F. Rice one of the subscribing  
 witnesses to this will of Thomas Parker dec'd & being satisfied with  
 the proof, that the paper is the last will of the dec'd; It is ordered  
 that the same be admitted to probate in Common form.  
 David Selby C. C. J.

South Carolina  
 Abbeville District  
 Personally called Jno. S. Rice before me one  
 of the subscribing witnesses to this instrument of writing who  
 made oath that he saw Thos. Parker sign, seal, publish, pronounce  
 and declare the same to be his last will & Testament, and that  
 Testator was then of sound and disposing mind, memory &  
 understanding to the best of this deponent's knowledge & belief and  
 that Jas. Taggart and A. T. Hamilton together with himself at  
 the request of the Testator, signed their names as witnesses  
 thereto in presence of each other & of the Testator  
 Jno. S. Rice

Sworn to before me  
 11 April 1844 - D. Selby C. C. J.

South Carolina  
 Abbeville District  
 I do solemnly swear that this  
 paper or writing contains the true  
 last will of Thos. Parker dec'd (within named) so far as  
 I know or believe, and that I will well & truly execute the same  
 by paying first <sup>the</sup> debts & then the Legacies contained in the  
 said will as far as his goods & chattels will thereto extend & the  
 Law charge me & that I will make a true & perfect inventory of all  
 said goods, chattels & credits: so help me God.

Sworn to before me  
 11 April 1844  
 Ellen S. Parker

David Selby C. C. J.

Last Will & Testament of  
 Henry Sharp dec'd

In the name of God Amen!  
 I Henry Sharp of the District  
 of Abbeville and State of South Carolina.  
 Considering the uncertainty of this mortal life and being of sound  
 mind: do make this my last will and Testament in manner and  
 (over)

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- form following. -

First - I resign my soul to God who gave it. hoping for a remission of my sins in the mediation of his son Jesus Christ

My worldly Estate I give and devise as follows (W<sup>th</sup>)  
 Item 1<sup>st</sup> My will is that my Executors hereinafter named do pay all my just ~~and~~ careful debts -

" 2<sup>d</sup> I give and bequeath unto my wife Ealy Sharp the following Negroe Slaves: To wit: Mary and her son Tom, James, Martha Talithy, for her own proper use and benefit during her natural life or widowhood at her decease or intermarriage <sup>of</sup> her Negroe Slaves to be equally divided between all my Children hereinafter named. Who may be then living or to the lawful heirs of any of my Children who may not be living at the decease or intermarriage of my <sup>2<sup>d</sup></sup> Wife: Also I give unto my <sup>2<sup>d</sup></sup> Wife one bed and furniture, also my Captains and Contents; Together with one Horse making her own Selections from the Stock of horses on my farm. Also one plow and stock and one pair of plow gear; also one Cow and calf of her own choosing from the stock on my farm; Also one year's provision to be appraised by the Appraisors selected to appraise my personal Estate -

" 3<sup>rd</sup> I give unto my son Joseph Sharp one Plantation or tract of Land on which he now lives containing one hundred and fourteen Acres; To have and to hold unto the <sup>2<sup>d</sup></sup> Joseph, his heirs and assigns forever. - Also one ninth of my personal Estate after deducting the several items and legacies before and after mentioned -

" 4<sup>th</sup> I give unto my daughter Eleanor wife of George Shirley one ninth of my personal Estate after deducting the several items and legacies before mentioned and hereafter mentioned -

" 5<sup>th</sup> I give unto my son Edward one half of the plantation on which I now live containing three hundred and sixty six Acres to be divided as near equal in value as possible - Reserving however to my aforesaid wife during her natural life time to do with the entire use and benefit of so much of said plantation as may be necessary for her support and maintenance; Also to my son Edward one ninth of my personal estate after deducting the several items and legacies <sup>mentioned before</sup> after mentioned

" 6<sup>th</sup> I give unto my son Henry one half of a plantation or tract of Land containing one hundred and eighty eight Acres - divided as nearly equal in value as possible - Also one ninth of my personal estate after deducting the several items and legacies before and after mentioned.

" 7<sup>th</sup> I give unto my son Thomas the sum of two hundred dollars - together with the one ninth of my personal estate after deducting the several items and legacies before and after mentioned. -



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Item 8<sup>th</sup> I give unto my son Francis one half of a tract of Land on which he now lives, containing one hundred and eighty eight acres divided as nearly equal in value as possible - also one ninth of my personal estate after deducting the several items before and after mentioned -

" 9<sup>th</sup> I give unto my daughter Mary Ann one ninth of my personal estate after deducting the several items and legacies before and after mentioned -

" 10<sup>th</sup> I give unto my daughter Caroline one bed and furniture together with one ninth of my personal estate after deducting the several items and legacies before and after mentioned -

" 11<sup>th</sup> I give unto my Granddaughter Jamina one bed and furniture together with the sum of two hundred dollars to be paid by my Executor (out of the proceeds of my personal estate) unto the said Jamina on her arriving at the age of eighteen years or to her legal Guardian

" 12<sup>th</sup> I give unto my Grandson Trinity one saddle and bridle of the value of Ten dollars together with the sum of two hundred dollars to be paid by my Executor (out of the proceeds of my personal estate) on his arriving at the age of Twenty one <sup>year</sup> or to his legal Guardian -

" 13<sup>th</sup> I give unto my son Bennett one half of my plantation or tract of Land on which I now live containing three hundred and sixty six Acres divided as near as equal in value as possible - Reserving however unto my aforesaid wife during her natural life - time or widowhood the entire use and benefit of so much of said plantation as may be necessary for her support and maintenance

Also I give unto my son Bennett one ninth of my personal Estate after deducting the several items and legacies before mentioned -

Lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my trusty friends A. C. Hawthorn, John Cowan and my son Henry sole Executors of this my last will and Testament hereby revoking all former wills by me made In testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and seal in the year of our Lord one Thousand eight Hundred and forty four - March the thirteenth day

Henry Sharp *H. S.*

Signed, Sealed, and declared to be my last will and testament in the presence of us who are requested to subscribe as witnesses thereto

John Stevenson  
G. H. Browder  
Wm. J. Stevenson

South Carolina  
Abbeville District

In the Court of Ordinary  
3 June 1844. In the matter of  
Henry Sharp's will.

Having examined Capt. Jno. Stevenson one of the subscribing witnesses to this last will of the decd. & being satisfied with the proof that the paper is the last will of the decd.

It is ordered that the same be admitted to probate in Common Form

Dania Ledy A. A. D.

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South Carolina

Abbeville District Personally came Geo Stevenson before me one of the subscribing witnesses to this instrument of Writing who made oath that he saw Henry Sharp sign Seal, publish, pronounce and declare the same to be his last will & Testament and that Testator was then of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding to the best of this Depoent's knowledge & belief and that G. H. Brown and Wm J. Stevenson together with himself at the request of the Testator signed their names as witnesses thereto in presence of each other & of the Testator

Sworn to before me  
3 June 1844

Geo. Stevenson

D. Sedby C. C. J.

South Carolina

Abbeville District We do solemnly swear that this paper (hereto attached) or writing contains the true last will of Henry Sharp dec'd. So far as we know or believe & that we will well and truly execute the same by paying first the debts & then the Legacies contained in the said will as far as his goods & Chattels will thereto extend & the Law charge us & that we will make a true & perfect Inventory of all and singular said goods & Chattels & Credits - So help us God!

Before me  
3 June 1844

A. C. Hawthorn  
Geo. Cowan

Daniel Sedby  
C. C. J.

Last Will & Testament of  
Robert Talbert dec'd

State of South Carolina  
Abbeville District

In the name of God Amen!

I Robt Talbot of the State and District aforesaid being sound in mind & Body as far as age will admit: And knowing it is appointed for all ~~men~~ men once to die - do make and ordain this my last will and Testament - annulling and making void all former wills &c.

Item 1<sup>st</sup>

I give my soul to God who gave it and my body to the earth in hope of a joyful resurrection through the redemption of Jesus Christ -

" 2<sup>nd</sup>

I will all my just debts to be paid out of any monies I may be in possession of - at my Death -

" 3<sup>rd</sup>

I give unto my wife Nancy Talbert all my lands, negroes Stock, farming utensils, Household & Kitchen furniture &c. &c. together with Corn. &c. &c. she during her life -

" 4<sup>th</sup>

At the Death of my wife, I give unto my son Robert Talbert and his lawful Children all my Lands, -



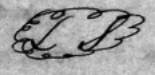
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together with half the Hogs on said Lands -

Item 5<sup>th</sup> After the death of my wife, I will that all my negroes, stocks &c. not otherwise disposed of be equally divided among my Grand Children  
" 6<sup>th</sup> I give unto my Grandson Geo. Robert Talbot One Filly Blaze and in case the said Filly dies before me I give unto said John Robert Talbot one other young Horse or mare to be chosen out of my stock of Horses -

I also herein appoint my son Robert Talbot and John Barratt my Lawfull Executors to fulfill this my last will and Testament in witness whereof I have this day set my Hand and Seal.

June 7<sup>th</sup> 1837

Robert Talbot 

Signed in presence of  
Samuel Rambo  
Serina Barratt  
John P. Barratt.

In the matter of Robert Talbot's Will.

In the Court of Ordinary 23 February 1844 -

Having examined D. Geo. Barratt one of the subscribing witnesses to this will of Robert Talbot dec'd & being satisfied with the proof that the paper is the last will of the dec'd; It is ordered that the same be admitted to probate in Common Form -

David Lesly C. C. D.

South Carolina  
Abbeville District  
Personally came John Barratt before me one of the subscribing witnesses to this Instrument of Writing who made oath that he saw Robert Talbot sign, seal, publish, pronounce & declare the same to be his last will & Testament and that Testator was then of sound & disposing mind memory & understanding to the best of this Deponents Knowledge & belief and that Samuel Rambo & Serina Barratt together with himself at the request of the Testator signed their names as witnesses thereto in presence of each other & of the Testator

Sworn to before me

23 Feby 1844



John P. Barratt

David Lesly C. C. D.

So. Ca. Abbeville District  
I do solemnly swear that this paper or Writing contains the true last will of Robert Talbot dec'd within name as far as I know or believe and that I will well and truly execute the same by paying first the debts & then the Legacies contained in the said will as far as his goods & Chattels will therunto extend & the Law charge me & that I will make a true & perfect Inventory of all said goods & Chattels & Credits: So help me God!

Sworn to before me

23 Feby 1844



Robert H. Talbot

David Lesly C. C. D.

Last will of

John Partlow dec'd

In the name of God Amen

I John Partlow of the District of Abbeville in the State of South Carolina being of sound and disposing mind & memory but calling to mind the uncertainty of life and being desirous to dispose of all such worldly Estate as it hath please God to bless me with do make and ordain this my last will & Testament in the Manner following That is

I have given to each of my sons William & Partlow James & J. Partlow & John A. Partlow in personal property and money to the amount of seven thousand dollars to them and their heirs for ever

I have loaned to my daughter Ophelia Jones with the knowledge and consent of her husband Joshua W. Jones the following property on the following terms and conditions viz Ten negroes names and ages as follows one man Harry 45 years old one man Aggy 40 years old one girl Leusa 19 years old one boy Page 14 years old Ephraim 10 years old Frances 8 years Sally 7 years old Abigail 33 years old Abby 35 years old and Solomon 10 years old the said negroes amounting in value to fifty three hundred dollars also I have loaned to the said Ophelia Jones one hundred dollars in cash which is to be laid out in negroes by said Joshua W. Jones and the negroes so purchased with the said money together with the ten negroes above named and described are to remain in the immediate use and employ of said Ophelia Jones during her natural life and at her death to be given with all their natural increase to the children of said Ophelia Jones when they arrive at the age of twenty one year but for want of such heirs to be returned back and equally divided between my other children

I have loaned to my daughter Emily Cain with the knowledge and consent of her husband Sampson V. Cain the following property on the following terms and conditions viz Eleven negroes names and ages as follows Jim 24 years old Mary 21 years old one child Allen 3 years old one child Washington one year old Harriott 16 years old William 16 years old for 16 years old Belinda 14 years old Jackson 11 years old Betty 8 years old and Adeline 7 years old the said negroes amount in value to fifty two hundred dollars also I have loaned ten hundred dollars in cash which is to be laid out in negroes by the said S. V. Cain and the negroes so purchased with the said money together with the eleven negroes above named and described was to remain in the immediate use and employ of said Emily Cain during her natural life but since her death I now give all the property that I had loaned to said Emily Cain to the only child John William Cain when he arrives at the age of twenty one year and said property is to be kept together and managed by Sampson V. Cain to the best of his ability for the benefit of his child John W. Cain until said child becomes of age as this is all of my estate I now will give the said child but should the said child die before he arrives at the age of twenty one year then all the above named negroes intitled on said child to be returned together with all their natural increase and equally divided amongst my other children

I have loaned to my daughter Elizabeth Ann Partlow the following property on the following terms and conditions viz Ten negroes names and ages as follows one man named Squin 29 years old one woman Eliza 28 years old Amanda 24 years old Elliott 7 years old George 5 years old Savage one year old Peggy 43 years old Ann 23 years



old Mary 11 years old and Charles 4 years old the said ten negroes amounts in value to fifty three ~~thousand~~ dollars Also I have seventeen hundred dollars for the which together with the portion that is one fifth of the proceeds of two tracts of land that will be sold on the first Monday in September next for division.

I will invest in negroes & loan them to said Elizabeth on the said terms and conditions as the ten above named and described ~~negroes~~ which negroes are to remain in the immediate use and employ of said Elizabeth Anne Partlow during her natural life and at her death to be given to her children when they arrive at the age of twenty one years old but for want of such heirs then and in that case all the said negroes with their natural increase is to be returned and equally divided between my other children and should I die before said daughter Elizabeth Marries I desire my Executors to cause her husband to sign an obligation on his part to comply with the conditions above named before he receives her property in his possession.

I have directed that two of my tracts of land viz the Stephens and Wallingville tracts to be sold on the first Monday in September next and the proceeds thereof equally divided between my five children viz William James John Ophelia and Elizabeth and the portion of Ophelia is to be disposed of by her husband for negroes and said negroes to be held by the said Ophelia on the same terms as those I first loaned her as above stated.

I desire immediately after my death that my negro woman Stella may have the privilege of selecting either of my five children as her future owner and be valued by three respectable disinterested persons and the one she selects is to receive her at valuation and so much cash all the rest of my negroes I want put in five lots or parcels of as near equal value as can become at by three respectable and disinterested persons regard being had to place them as nearly in families as they can and those five lots to be divided between my five children last above named the lot of negroes that may fall to each of my daughters Ophelia and Elizabeth are to remain with them the said Ophelia and Elizabeth on the same terms and conditions as they hold all the other property I have loaned them as above explained.

I desire that all my other property both real and personal be sold at such time and in such parcels and terms as my executors may think best of the proceeds after paying all my just debts and funeral expenses be equally divided between my five children last above named viz William James John Ophelia & Elizabeth.

I do hereby nominate constitute and appoint my three sons viz William O Partlow James O Partlow and John A Partlow my Executors to this my last will and testament by me heretofore made in testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 10th day of August Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and thirty nine.

Wm Partlow

signed seal published & declared as for the last will & testament of the above named Wm Partlow in the presence of J. P. White J. H. Dimeson J. H. Smith

Last Will Mrs. Partlow dec'd.

South Carolina

Abbeville District } In the Court of Ordinary

18 June 1844. In the matter of John Partlow's will. Having examined J.S. Henderson and John Scott two of the subscribing witnesses to the will of Mrs. Partlow dec'd of being satisfied with the proof, that the paper is the last will of the dec'd. It is ordered that the same be admitted to probate in common form.

David Lutz O.S.H.

South Carolina

Abbeville District } Personally came Thomas S. Henderson & John Scott two of the subscribing witnesses to the instrument of writing (hereto attached) who made oath that they saw John Partlow sign, seal, publish, pronounce & declare the same to be his last will & Testament, and that Testator was then of sound & disposing mind, memory & understanding to the best of their knowledge & belief, and that L.S. White together with themselves at the request of the Testator, signed his name as witnesses thereto in presence of each other & the Testator.

Sworn to before me 18

June 1844. David Lutz O.S.H.

Thos S Henderson  
John Scott

South Carolina

Abbeville District } I do solemnly swear that this paper (attached) or writing contains the true last will & Testament of John Partlow dec'd so far as I know or believe, & that I will well & truly execute the same by paying first the debts, then the Legacies contained in the said will as far as his goods & chattels will therewith extend, & the Law charge me, & that I will make a true & perfect inventory of all of regular land & goods & chattels & credits - so help me God & the Law.

18 June 1844 David Lutz O.S.H.

William S Partlow

Sworn to & certified  
18 June 1844. David Lutz  
O.S.H.

Last Will and Testament of William Butler dec'd.

South Carolina Abbeville District in the name of god. amen  
I William Butler of the State and district aforesaid being weak in body but of sound and disposing mind and memory and being desirous therefor of disposing of all my worldly Estate that god hath been pleased to bless me with in the following manner that is to say  
1<sup>st</sup> immediately after my decease it is my desire that my Executors her after mentioned shall sell all my Estate both real and personal and the moneys arising from the sales thereof all my just debts and funeral expences first to be paid  
2<sup>d</sup> it is then my desire that the sum of three hundred dollars be paid to my three sons nephews and share alike namely Larkin Williams and Washington  
3<sup>d</sup> I then desire that the sum of five dollars be paid to Thomas Perry



- 4 after the above bequest be fulfilled it is my desire that the balance remain-  
ing be equally divided in three shares among my six children namely  
Larkin Elizabeth Meade Nancy his William Susannah Novell an Washington
- 5. it is then my desire the share given to Nancy his be put at interest in the  
trust be paid annually <sup>to her</sup> and in case she die and leaving no issue it  
shall return into the mass of my estate and be equally divided  
among my surviving children but in case she have living children it  
is my desire ~~to~~ it be paid to her for the benefit of her and the heirs of  
her body
- 6 it is also my desire that the share allotted to Elizabeth Meade that  
my exutors have the management and control to act as trustees  
for her and to lay it out for her to the best advantage for the support  
of her and her children
- 7 it is also my desire that the share given to my daughter Susannah Novell  
shall be subject to the management and control of my Exutors to  
purchase any kind of property best suited to her wants for the ben-  
efit of her and the heirs of her body
- 8 it is also my desire that my son Washington have one fine bed with  
bed and furniture also one Cow and Calve him to take choice of my  
stock

9 and lastly I do hereby nominate and appoint Aaron Lomas and my  
son Wm Butler Exutors of this my last will and testament utterly  
revoking and Disannulling all former wills and testaments made by  
me hereby ratifying and Ordaining this to be my last will and  
testament done this nineteenth day of January in the year of our  
Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty four and in the sixty  
ninth year of the independance of the united States of America

signed sealed published and Acknowledged his  
in the presence of us and we in the Wm X Butler  
presence of us and we in the presence marks  
of the testator

I A Lomas  
John W Lomas  
Jesse Lomas

South Carolina } In the Court of Ordinary  
Abbeville District } 29<sup>th</sup> June 1844

In the matter of William Butlers will  
Having examined John W Lomas one of the subscribing witnesses  
to the foregoing will & being satisfied that it is the last will  
Ordained that it be admitted to probate in forma

I do hereby certify

South Carolina Abbeville District - Personally came John W Lomas  
one of the subscribing witnesses to this writing who made oath  
that he saw William Butler sign seal, publish, pronounce, and declare  
the same to be his last will and testament & that testator was then  
of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding to the best  
of this deponents knowledge and belief and that I A Lomas & Jesse

Lomas together with himself at the request of the Testator signed their names as witnesses thereto in presence of each other and the testator

John W Lomas

Suorn to before me 29<sup>th</sup>

June 1844 David Lesly  
C.A.D.

South Carolina }  
Abbeville District } I do solemnly swear that this paper or writing contains the true last will & Testament of William Butler dec<sup>d</sup>. so far as I know or believe & that I will well and truly execute the same by paying first the debts and then the Legacies contained in said will so far as the goods and chattels & credits will therewith extend and the Law charge me and that I will make a true and perfect inventory of all and singular said goods and chattels and return the same to the ordinarys office.

Suorn to before me

29<sup>th</sup> June 1844 David Lesly  
C.A.D.

William Butler

Last will of Nancy Haslet dec<sup>d</sup>.

In the name of God Amen. I Nancy Haslet Widdow being in a sick & low condition but of sound and disposing mind & memory thank be to God for his mercies, do make and ordain this my last will & Testament in manner & form following, to wit. Item 1<sup>st</sup> I will that all my just debts be paid by my Executor hereafter named out of my Estate.

Item 2<sup>d</sup> To my beloved son William M Haslet I give and bequeath my negro boy Dick to him his heirs and assigns forever.

Item 3<sup>d</sup> To my beloved son John A Haslet I give & bequeath my negro boy Edmond to him his heirs and assigns forever.

Item 4<sup>th</sup> To my beloved daughter Mary Jane Phibe McBride I give and bequeath my negro boy named Dickson to her her heirs and assigns forever.

Item 5<sup>th</sup> To my beloved daughter Sarah A McCalister I give and bequeath the sum of five dollars.

Item 6<sup>th</sup> All my lands or real estate, the remainder of my negroes not before disposed of all my stocks of every kind. household & kitchen furniture, say all the remainder or ballance of my Estate of what nature or kind soever I give the same to my three children William M Haslet John A Haslet & Mary Jane Phibe McBride to be equally divided between them. Their and their alikes and as they are all of age they may divide the same by making sale thereof or other wise by consent or agreement between the parties themselves.

Lastly I appoint my son William M Haslet Executor of this my last will & Testament ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last will & Testament of revoking all former wills by me made. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this twenty third day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & forty two.

Nancy Haslet  
mark

Signed sealed published & declared }  
by



by the said Nancy Hasket as the last will & testament who  
 in our presence subscribed her name to the same  
 & we in her presence & the presence of each other  
 witnessed the due execution thereof same being  
 Sunday Harper  
 Richard Ashley  
 A Hunter

Endorsed on the above.

Will admitted to probate in common form & Proven by the oath of Richard Ashley  
 & Qualified William M Hasket Executor, all on the 15<sup>th</sup> July 1844.  
 In front of me  
 David Lely

The Last will and Testament of Leekroy Watson  
 of the District of Abbeville and State of South Carolina & Leekroy Watson  
 Considering the uncertainty of this mortal life and being of sound  
 mind & of memory (Thanks to Almighty God for the same) do  
 make and declare this my last will and testament in manner  
 and form following First I Resign my soul into the hands of  
 Almighty God Hoping and believing in the Remission of my sins  
 by the merits and mediation of the Lord Jesus Christ and my  
 Body I Commit to the Earth to be buried at the discretion of my  
 Executors hereinafter named and that my Executors hereinafter named  
 have placed over the graves of my deceased wife Child and self  
 when deceased and should any of my Children hereinafter  
 named decease before arriving to the age of one and twenty  
 years over the grave of the Child thus dying tomb<sup>stones</sup> and defray  
 the expense thereof out of my Estate  
 Also I will and desire that one half of the Cost and expense of placing  
 tomb stones over the graves of my deceased parents be paid out of  
 my Estate by my Executors hereinafter named  
 Also I will and desire that my Executors hereinafter named  
 shall annually pay to the deacons of the Baptist Church of Christ  
 at Mount Moriah in the District of Abbeville and for the support  
 of the Pastor of said Church the sum of twenty five Dollars out of  
 my Estate until my youngest surviving Child shall arrive to  
 the age of one and twenty years  
 I also will and desire that all of my just debts should be paid  
 and the remainder of my worldly Estate I give and devise  
 as follows

To my Children James Leonard Watson Francis Mary Watson  
 John Waller Watson Leekroy Watson William Henry Watson Alfred  
 Haynes Watson Charles Edward Watson and Joseph Benjamin Watson  
 I give and bequeath all of my real and personal Estate together  
 with all the money notes and accounts I may have on hand at my  
 decease to be Equally divided between them my sons as they  
 shall respectively be come twenty one years of age to receive each  
 their distributive share and my daughter Francis Mary Watson

At the time of her marriage or when she arrives at one and  
twenty years of age to receive her distributive share  
Also I will and desire that all of my real and personal Estate  
Except my negroes and such part thereof as shall hereinafter  
be particularly bequeathed be sold after my decease and that  
my Executors hereinafter named their annually the negroes  
belonging to my Estate privately as they in their discretion may  
Judge best for the negroes and the interest of my Children  
Also I give and devise to my daughter Frances Mary Watson  
her mother's gold watch one bed mattress bedstead  
and one eighth part of my bed furniture one bureau and  
her mother's likeness to be received by her as part of her distributive  
share at their appraisement and Valuation

Also I give and devise to my son Leet Roy Watson my gold  
watch to be received by him as part of his distributive share at  
its appraisement and Valuation

Also I will and desire that so much of the distributive share  
of my daughter Frances Mary Watson as may be in money  
at the time of her marriage or when she arrives at the age of  
one and twenty years shall be laid out by my Executor or  
Executors hereinafter named in the purchase of negroes and the  
negroes thus purchased with the remaining part of her  
distributive share of the negroes of my Estate and their  
increase be given into the possession of my daughter Frances  
Mary Watson to have and to hold during the term of her natural  
life and after her decease said negroes and their increase to  
be the property of the child or children of her body born in lawful  
wedlock But in the event that my daughter Frances Mary Watson  
should die without surviving child of her body born in lawful  
wedlock then the said negroes and their increase to revert back  
to my surviving children within named to be equally divided  
Among them

Also I will and desire that if either of my within named children  
sons should die without surviving child born in lawful wedlock  
then the distributive share of the son thus dying and the increase  
of the same to revert back to the surviving of my within named  
children to be equally divided between them

Also I will and desire that each of my within named  
children be given a liberal English Education and if any  
of my sons manifest a capacity and desire for receiving  
a Collegiate education that it be given them subjecting  
the same to the judgement and discretion of executors  
hereinafter named

Lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my trusty friend Abner  
Walker my beloved brother J. A. Watson and my son  
James Leonard Watson when he shall become one and twenty  
years of age Executors of this my last will and Testament  
Hereby revoking all former Wills and Testaments by me