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Last Will & Testament of Sarah Cunningham Nees

State of South Carolina } The last Will and Testament of
Abbeville District } Sarah Cunningham of the State
and District of aforesaid } witnesseth that she is of sound mind
and disposing memory and has thought proper to make
the following arrangement and distribution of her estate (viz.)

1st It is my Will and desire that Jane Johnson have
a bed a sheet, a bed quilt and a pair of pillow slips

2nd I do give and bequeath to Elizabeth Owen, one bed
and bedstead two sheets two pair of pillow slips and one
bed quilt and choice of my Counterpane

3rd I do give and bequeath to Rachael Simpson one bed
and bedstead two sheets and two pair of pillow slips

4th It is my Will and desire that the balance of my bed
clothes shall be equally divided between Elizabeth Owen
and Rachael Simpson as they may think proper

5th It is my Will and desire that all the balance of my
Estate both real and personal be sold at the direction
of my Executors and be distributed as follows (viz.)

6th I do give and bequeath to W^r Ed. Simpson Twelve Hundred
dollars

7th It is my Will and desire that all the balance of my
Estate after paying my just debts be equally divided
between the children of Elizabeth Owen

8th And last I do hereby constitute and appoint my
friend W^r Ed. Simpson and my friend Thomas Payne
Executors of this my last Will and Testament

Given under my hand and seal this 16th day
January A. D. One thousand Eight Hundred & fifty one

Signed sealed
published and
declared in the
presence of
Nathan Ingram
T. R. Tuckett
Sol. W. Pinson

Sarah Cunningham
MRS R

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Last Will & Testament of Sarah Cunningham McC?

State of South Carolina } Personally came Joel W.
 Abbeville District } Tinsion one of the subscribing
 witnesses to the within paper, and being sworn on the
 Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, makes oath that
 he was personally present and did see Sarah Cunningham
 sign seal, publish pronounce, and declare the within
 paper to be her last will and Testament, and that the
 Testatrix was of sound and disposing mind memory
 and understanding to the best of his knowledge and belief,
 that Nathan Ingram & J. R. Tucker together with himself
 and in the presence of the Testatrix and in the presence of
 each other, did sign their names as witnesses to the due
 Execution thereof. Joel W. Tinsion
 Sworn before me this
 15th day May 1859.

F. W. Silleck, C. S. J.

State of South Carolina } Having Examined Joel W.
 Abbeville District } Tinsion one of the subscribing
 witnesses to the within paper, and being satisfied that it is
 the true last will and Testament of Sarah Cunningham
 McC? } Ordered that it be admitted to probate in
 Common form

F. W. Silleck
 C. S. J.

State of South Carolina } Personally came Edwin
 Abbeville District } Simpson Esq. named in the
 within will and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of
 Almighty God, upon oath says that the within paper
 is the true last will of the said Sarah Cunningham and
 that he will well and truly execute the same, by paying
 first the debts and then the legacies therein contained
 so far as the goods and chattels will extend, and the law
 charge him that he will make and return unto the office
 of the Ordinary of the said District, a true Inventory
 and Appraisement of the Estate of the said deceased within
 the time prescribed by Law. E. G. Simpson
 Sworn to before me }
 15th day May 1859.

F. W. Silleck
 C. S. J.

South Carolina } I certify that the two foregoing papers contain a full true &
 Abbeville District } correct copy of the last will & Testament of Sarah Cunningham
 McC? from the originals which is on file in my office

F. W. Silleck, C. S. J.

Last Will & Testament of John Graham, Neeracode,

South Carolina } In the name of God Amen,
Abbeville District } I John
Graham being of sound and disposing mind and memory
but weak in body, and bearing in mind the uncertainty
of life and being desirous to dispose of all such worldly
Estate as it has pleased God to bless me with, do make
and order this my last Will in the following manner

First I Comend my soul to God, and desire that I be
decently buried, after my decease I desire that all
my just debts be paid, as well as my funeral Expenses
then I desire that my beloved wife Mary shall have
a good Cow and a bed and furniture and the balance
of my personal Estate, to be sold to the highest bidder
and out of the Proceeds my wife is to get the third
and the remaining two thirds I will and bequeath to
be Equally divided among all my lawful heirs

I also do will and bequeath to my son William the
tract of land that I now live on, This I do in order
that he takes care of me and my wife Mary during
our life
of this my last Will and Testament
by me heretofore made

In testamony whereof I have hereunto
set my Hand and affixed my Seal, this the twenty
ninth day of March in the year of our Lord One
thousand Eight Hundred and fifty one

Signed and sealed as my last Will and
Testament in the presence of
Test. William Graham Junr } John Graham
William Graham Junr. }
Enoch Carter.

State of South Carolina } Personally Came William Graham
Abbeville District } Junr. one of the subscribing
Witnesses to the within Paper, and being sworn in the
Holy Evangelists of Almighty God swears to the that he
was personally present, and did see John Graham sign
and publish, pronounce and declare the within Paper to
be his last Will and Testament, and that the Testator was
of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding
to the best of his knowledge and belief, that William
Graham Junr. & Enoch Carter together with himself, and in the
presence of the Testator and in the presence of each other,
did sign their names as Witnesses to the due execution thereof
before me this 7 day of June 1851. F. N. Gillett B. } William Graham Junr.
Clerk

Last Will & Testament of John Graham M^r Court^r

State of South Carolina } Having Examined William
 Abbeville District } Graham Sen. one of the subscribing
 witnesses to the within paper; and being satisfied that it is
 the true last Will and Testament of John Graham
 Ordains that it be admitted to probate, in
 Common Form. F. W. Sells
D. A. C.
 Examined Compared. E. W. Sells
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Last Will & Testament of George Bigby M^r

State of South Carolina } In the name of God Amen
 Abbeville District } I George Bigby of State
 and District aforesaid 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
 and Testament in form and manner following
 1st 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

2nd I will that all my just debts be paid out of my
 Estate

3rd The balance of my Estate both real & personal I wish
 to be appraised and I will that my dear wife Mary
 Ann Bigby receive a child's part at the appraisement
 the remainder to be sold and equally divided among
 my several children or their lawful heirs. Namely
 Emily E. Robinson George M. Bigby John W. Bigby
 Mary Ann Fletcher Bigby Martha C. Bigby James
 A. Bigby Thomas S. Bigby William A. Bigby Alexia
 E. Bigby. The property that I have given off to Emily
 E. Robinson, Geo. M. Bigby and John W. Bigby I will
 to be appraised and the balance of my children to be made
 equal to that appraisement before they come in for a
 distributive share

4th I do appoint my two Sons George M. Bigby &
 John W. Bigby and Col. James Robinson my Executors
 to the within Will Now having settled my business
 according to my desire I do make Ordain & constitute
 this to be my last Will and Testament In witness
 whereof I do hereunto set my hand and seal this 21st
 twenty second day of May in the year of the Lord.

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Last Will & Testament of George Bigby Nov. Cont.

the Thousand Eight Hundred and fifty one
Signed sealed and acknowledged

In presence of
John Wilson
David Moore
W. W. Morely

George ^{his} Bigby ^(S)
Mark

State of South Carolina } Personally came David Moore &
Abbeville District } W. W. Morely Two of the subscribing
witnesses to the within paper, and being sworn on the Holy
Evangelists of Almighty God make oath that they was
personally present, and did see George Bigby sign seal
publish pronounce and declare the within paper to be his
last Will and Testament, and that the Testator was of
sound and disposing mind, Memory and understanding to
the best of their knowledge and belief, That John Wilson
together with themselves and in the presence of the Testator
and in the presence of each other did sign their names
as witnesses to the due Execution thereof
Done before me this 21st day
June 1857. } David Moore
W. W. Morely
F. W. Sellers C. S. J.

State of South Carolina } Having Examined David Moore
Abbeville District } & W. W. Morely Two of the
subscribing witnesses to the within paper, and being satisfied
that it is the true last Will and Testament of George
Bigby. Ordered that it be admitted to probate in Common
form } F. W. Sellers
C. S. J.

State of South Carolina } Personally came George W
Abbeville District } Bigby Executor named in the
within will and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists
of Almighty God upon oath says that the within paper
is the true last Will of the said George Bigby and that
he will well and truly Execute the same, by hanging
first the debts and then the legacies therein contained
so far as the good and Chattle will extend and the
law charge this that he will make and return into
the office of the Ordinary of the said District a true
Inventory and Appraisement of the Estate of the
said deceased, within the time prescribed by Law
Sworn to before me } G. W. Bigby
this Twenty first June 1857 }
F. W. Sellers C. S. J. (Continued)

Last Will & Testament of George Pigby M^o: Col^o

State of South Carolina } Personally came John M.
 Abbeville District } Pigby James Robinson Esq^r.
 named in the within will and being sworn on the
 Holy Evangelists of Almighty God upon oaths says
 that the within Will paper is the true last Will of
 the said George Pigby and that they will well and
 truly Execute the same, by paying first the debts and
 then the legacies therein contained so far as the
 goods and chattels will extend, and the law charge
 thereon that they will make and return into the office
 of the Ordinary, of the said District a true Inventory
 and Appraisement of the Estate of the said deceased
 within the time prescribed by Law
 Sworn to before me
 1st September 1857.
 F. W. Silliman }
 C. A. G. } Examined & Compared.
 John M. Pigby
 Jas Robinson

Last Will & Testament of Thomas Wier M^o: Col^o

In view of the uncertainty of life, and the certainty of death, together with my feeble state of health and being possessed of a sound and disposing mind, I am admonished to settle and dispose of my worldly affairs
 It is my will and pleasure that my wife Mary Wier shall retain and be allowed to keep possession of all my Estate both real and personal during her life, and that the proceeds arising therefrom (if any) over and above plantation and family expenses shall by my Executors be put out at interest during my wife's lifetime
 It is my will and pleasure that my Executors keep an overseer on my plantation to manage and control the affairs of the farm
 It is also my will and pleasure that after the death of my wife that all of my Estate shall be sold and Equally divided share and share alike between my children as some of my children have been more advanced than others it is will that they render in a return of the amount so that at the final division of my Estate they shall all be equal
 It is my will that my son John at the final division of my Estate get four hundred dollars more than either of the other children and if he choiced to remain with his mother on the farm during her life

Last Will & Testament of Thomas Wier. *Wic^o Continued*

He shall be at liberty to do so without Expence
It is my Will and Pleasure and I do hereby Constitute and
appoint Henry Rooser and William N. Blake my
Executors to Execute and Carry out my Will as above
Expressed

It is also my Will and Pleasure that my son John^o
divided when ascertained at the final division of my Estate
Remain in the hands of my Executors for his benefit and
was to be paid out to him as he wants and necessities may
Require

It is my Will that if any of the negroes should should
become unmanageable and refractory that my Executors
Either flog them out or sell them as may be thought best
It is also my Will that my two Negroes Mary and
Louis be kept on the plantation during my wifes life
and at her death to be provided for

I have given to my daughter Elizabeth a Negro Child
Called Lucy and it is my Will that she retains as her
own property and be considered as an advance in her
division of two hundred dollars.

I do hereby acknowledge the above to be my last Will
and Testament. Signed and acknowledged this tenth
day of February One thousand Eight hundred and
fifty in presence of
J. I. Sharp
Joshua Turner
William Buckham
Wm R

State of South Carolina } Personally came J. I. Sharp one
Ably with witness } of the subscribing witnesses to the
written Paper and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of
Almighty God, make oath that he was personally present
and did see Thomas Wier sign seal, publish pronounce
and declare the written Paper to be his last Will and Testament
and that the Testator was of sound and disposing mind
Memory and understanding to the best of his knowledge and
belief. That Joshua Turner & William Buckham
together with himself and in the presence of the Testator
and in the presence of each other did sign their names
as witnesses to the said Execution thereof
I do hereby certify
J^r July 1857 } J. I. Sharp
F. W. Lelock }
C. S. C.

Last Will & Testament of Thomas Wier M^r: Cou^t:

State of South Carolina } Having Examined J. J. Sharpe
 Abbeville District } One of the subscribing witnesses
 to the within paper and being satisfied that it is the
 true last Will and Testament of Thomas Wier
 Ordered that it be admitted to
 to probate in Common form
 F. W. Silcock
 C. A. C.

State of South Carolina } Personally came Harry F. Gozer
 Abbeville District } & Wm. N. Blake Executors named
 in the within Will and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists
 of Almighty God upon oath say that the within paper
 is the true last Will of the said Thomas Wier and that
 we will well and truly execute the same, by paying first
 the debts and then the legacies therein contained, so far
 as the goods and chattels will extend, and the law charge
 them that they will make and return into the office
 of the Ordinary of the said District a true Inventory
 and appraisement of the Estate of the said deceased
 within the time prescribed by Law.
 Sworn to before me
 this 5th July 1857.
 F. W. Silcock } Harry F. Gozer
 } Wm. N. Blake

State of South Carolina } I Certify that the foregoing
 Abbeville District } two & half pages contain
 a full true and correct Copy of the last Will & Testament
 of Thomas Wier M^r: from the original which is on
 file in my office
 F. W. Silcock, C. A. C.

Last Will & Testament of Elizabeth Wilson Decedent.

State of South Carolina } I, Elizabeth Wilson being of sound
 & disposing mind do make & appoint this my last Will
 and Testament
 I give to my beloved daughter, Elizabeth
 Reed Wife of Samuel Reed a negro Boy named about
 nine or ten years of age, to her and her heirs Executors
 Administrators and assigns forever
 I give to my three daughters Susanna Hester Matilda
 Fashie Branch & Elizabeth Reed the negro Girl Linda
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Last Will & Testament of Elizabeth Wilson Mrs. Continued

in the following manner, that is to say, the said Girl Vida is to be sold by my Executor together with her increase if any and one half of the price to be given to Semina Hutton and the remaining half of the proceeds to be divided equally between Matilda Branch and Elizabeth Reed. The increase of said Girl if any she should have to pass in the same manner as the Girl herself. My bed bed cloths & house hold furniture I give to Elizabeth Reed

I appoint Samuel Reed the Executor of this my last Will & Testament.

Signed & acknowledged as and for my last Will & Testament
In the presence of
Allen T. Miller
J. M. Cochran
A. W. Reid
Elizabeth Wilson
Mrs. R

State of South Carolina } Personally came Allen T. Miller
Abbeville District } one of the subscribing Witnesses
to the within Paper, and being sworn on the Holy
Evangelists of Almighty God that he
was personally present and did see Elizabeth Wilson
sign seal publish pronounce and declare the within
Paper to be her last Will and Testament and that the
Testatrix was of sound and disposing mind memory
and understanding to the best of his knowledge and belief
that J. M. Cochran & A. W. Reid together with himself
and in the presence of the Testatrix and in the presence
of each other did sign their names as Witnesses to the
said Execution thereof
Sworn before me this
24th July 1857
Allen T. Miller
F. W. Little
C. S. C.

State of South Carolina } Having Examined Allen
Abbeville District } T. Miller one of the subscribing
Witnesses to the within Paper, and being satisfied
that it is the true last Will and Testament of
Elizabeth Wilson Mrs.
Ordered that it be admitted
to Probate in Common form
F. W. Little
C. S. C.

Last Will & Testament of Elizabeth Wilson Wic^d Court²

State of South Carolina } Personally came Samuel Reid
Abbeville District } Exor^r named in the within Will
and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty
God upon oath & c. that the within paper is the true
last Will of the said Elizabeth Wilson and that he
will well and truly Execute the same, by paying first
the debts and then the Legacies therein contained, so
far as the good and Chatsels will Extend, and the
Law charge him that he will make and return into
the office of the ordinary of the said District a true
Inventory and appraisement of the Estate of the said
deceased within the time prescribed by Law.

Sworn to Before me } Samuel Reid
24th July 1857.

J. W. Hill. M.
C. A. C.

State of South Carolina } I Certify that the foregoing two
Abbeville District } Pages contain a full true
and correct Copy of the last will & Testament of
of Elizabeth Wilson Wic^d from the original which is on
file in my office
O. W. Sells
C. A. C.

Last Will & Testament of Michael Speed Wic^d

South Carolina } In the name of God Amen
Abbeville District } I Michael Speed of the
State and District afore written being a god and
uppon of body but of sound and disposing mind
and memory. Thanks be to God for the same do make
Constitute and ordain this my last Will and Testament
in manner and form following

First I will my Soul to God who gave it to me
and that my body be buried in a lawful decent
manner

Second } I will that all my just debts be paid as
soon as possible after my death.

Third } I will unto my beloved Wife Eleanor
Speed all of my Estate both real and personal
Consisting of my Plantation or Tract of Land
containing Five Hundred and Eleven acres
more or less, the following negroes Jilly
, continued,

Last Will & Testament of Michael Speed Sr^d Cont^d

Mose, May, Sarah, Filly, Rachad, Heeter, Charlotte
Amanda, Hagg, Annie, Ellick, Selvy, Dizzy & Ann
and their future increase, all my stock of Horses, Hogs,
Cattle & Sheep, my Wagon & Harness, Plantation Tools,
House hold & Kitchen Furniture, my Silver watch, what
Provisions may be on hand at the time of my death
the growing Crop if there should be one, all the
Money Bonds & Notes that I may be possessed of at
my death all of the said Property I will devise and
bequeath unto my Wife Eleanor Speed during her
life after her death I want the following disposition
made of it

Unto my Son William E. Speed I will my Negro
Man Billy, my Silver watch and One thousand
Dollars in Cash

Unto my Son E. K. J. Speed I will my Negro
Man Mary

Unto my Son Samuel M. Speed I will my Negro
Man Mose, and my Negro Girl Ann and her
increase, my Saddle & Bridle, all my Plantations
or tract of land, containing (541) Five hundred
& Eleven acres more or less, all the stock of
Horses, Hogs, Cattle, and Sheep, Wagon and
Harness, Plantation Tools, House hold & Kitchen
Furniture, what Provisions may be on hand
at the death of his Mother, and the growing Crop
if there is one.

The balance of my Negroes not herein willed I
want divided into Three lots as near equal in
value as possible and my Three Sons William
E. E. K. J. and Samuel M. Speed, draw lots for
1. 2. & 3. Choices which Negroes I hereby Will
unto them

Unto my daughter Leah Paschal I will One
Hundred Dollars.


Unto my daughter Sarah A. Spear I will One
Hundred Dollars

Last Will & Testament of Michael Speed ^{Junr} Cont^d

Unto My daughter Mary A. Moor I will
One Hundred Dollars.

If there should be any more money or estate
after the death of my wife, I will that it be
equally divided between my son William G.
Eg Kirk J. and Samuel H. Speed. and lastly I do
hereby appoint my wife Eleanor Speed Executrix
and my son William G. Eg Kirk J. and Samuel
H. Speed Executors of the my Last Will & Testament
Signed sealed and acknowledged by Michael Speed
at his last Will and Testament in the presence
of us the third day of February in the year of
our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty
seven

In presence of }
O. Taggart }
Samuel Hill }
John Corran }

M. Speed 

State of South Carolina } Personally came John
Abbeville District } Corran one of the subscribing
Witnesses to the within paper, and being sworn on the
Holy Evangelists of Almighty God. That he
that he was personally present, and did see M.
Speed sign seal, publish, pronounce and declare the
within paper to be his last Will and Testament
and that the Testator was of sound and disposing
mind memory and understanding to the best of his
knowledge and belief. That O. Taggart & Samuel
Hill together with himself and in the presence
of the Testator, and in the presence of each other
did sign their names as witnesses to the said Executrix
thereof.

Sworn Before me }
the 24th July 1857 }
F. W. Silliman }
D. S. C. }

John Corran

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Last Will & Testament of Michael Speed Nec^o Const^o

State of South Carolina } Having Examined John Conran
 Abbeville District } one of the Subscribing Witnesses
 to the within Paper, and being satisfied that it is the
 true last Will and Testament of M. Speed
 Ordered that it be admitted to
 Probate in Common form

F. W. Sillcock
 O. A. C.

State of South Carolina } Personally came William G.
 Abbeville District } Speed one of Exec^{rs} named
 in the within Will and being sworn on the Holy Evangel
 ists of Almighty God, upon oath to say that the within
 Paper is the true last Will of the said M. Speed
 and that he will well and truly Execute the same by
 paying first the debts and then the legacies therein
 contained so far as the goods and Chattels will extend
 and the said Charge him that he will make and return
 into the office of the Ordinary of the said District
 a true Inventory and appraisement of the Estate
 of the said deceased within the time prescribed by
 Law

Sworn to before me
 24 July 1857

W. G. Speed

F. W. Sillcock
 O. A. C.

State of South Carolina } I Certify that the foregoing two pages
 Abbeville District } set a half contain a full true & correct
 Copy of the last Will & Testament of Michael Speed Nec^o
 from the Original which is on file in my office.

F. W. Sillcock
 O. A. C.

Last Will & Testament of John Robertson Esq^r

State of South Carolina
In the name of God Amen
I John Robertson being weak in body but of sound
Mind disposing memory & understanding do make
the my last Will & Testament in manner following

1st I will my body to the ground from whence
it came and my soul to God who gave it

2^d I will that all my just debts. Funeral Expenses
be paid

3^d I will devise and bequeath to my nephew William
Robertson my interest in bounty Land when it is
located or sold which I hope to get for my
military services, and after my just debts is
paid. Give the 1st William Robertson to have the
Balance whatever it may be absolutely forever

4th I nominate constitute and appoint William
Robertson my Executor to execute the my last
Will & Testament by me made

Witness my hand & seal June 27th 1857

Signed Sealed published
I declared in presence
of us

John Robertson (Seal)
Mark

M. P. Mackay }
Jat M. Blain }
D. F. Mosely }

State of South Carolina } Personally came Laurey
Abbotte Notary } M. Blain one of the subscribing
Witnesses to the within paper, and being sworn on the
Holy Evangelists of Almighty God make oath that
he was personally present and did see John
Robertson Esq^r sign seal, publish pronounce, and declare
the within paper to be his last Will & Testament and
that the Testator was of sound & disposing mind memory
and understanding to the best of his knowledge and belief
that M. P. Mackay & D. F. Mosely together with himself
and in the presence of the Testator and in the presence of
each other did sign their names as witnesses to the due
Execution thereof
Jat M. Blain

Sworn before me this 1st September 1857
F. W. Lillard, C. A. &c

Last Will & Testament of John Robertson Esq. Cou. P.

State of South Carolina } Having Examined James M. Blair
 Abbeville District } one of the Subscribing Witnesses to
 the within Paper, and being satisfied that it is the true
 last Will and Testament of John Robertson, ordered
 that it be admitted to probate in Common Form
 F. W. Sellers
 Oct. 11.

State of South Carolina } Personally came William Robertson Esq.
 Abbeville District } named in the within Will and being
 sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God upon
 oath says that the within Paper is the true last Will
 of the said Jno. Robertson Esq. and that he will well
 and truly execute the same by paying first the debts
 and then the Legacies therein contained so far as the
 Goods and Chattels will extend and the Law Charge
 thereon that he will make and return into the Office of the
 Ordinary of the said District a true Inventory and Apprais-
 ement of the Estate of the said deceased within the time
 prescribed by Law
 Sworn to Before me
 1st September 1854
 William Robertson
 F. W. Sellers
 C. S. C.

State of South Carolina } I Certify that the foregoing
 Abbeville District } Page & a half contain a full
 true & correct Copy of the last Will & Testament of
 of John Robertson Esq. from the original which
 is on file in my office
 F. W. Sellers
 C. S. C.

Last Will & Testament of Louisa Maynie Wic²

The State of South Carolina } I Louisa Maynie wife of
 Patrick C. Maynie, being now weak in body but of
 sound and disposing Mind Memory and understanding
 do make my last Will and Testament in pursuance
 of the Power reserved to me in and by a Marriage
 Settlement made & entered into before my Marriage
 with the said Patrick C. Maynie, which is duly
 recorded according to Law and bearing date the Eighteenth
 day of December in the Year of our Lord one thousand
 & one hundred

Last Will & Testament of Louisa Haynie W^{id} Cou^{nt}

Eight hundred and forty eight. Whereas certain rights & property by the said marriage settlement was retained & conferred upon the said Patrick C. Haynie & whereas I have understood that William Robertes the trustee and the said Patrick C. Haynie are in treaty in relation to the said rights and property, whereby it is expected that for a consideration to be paid to the said Patrick C. Haynie he will relinquish assign and let over to the said Trustee to be held as the other property all the rights under the said marriage settlement all the property which belonged to me before the marriage now in the possession of either myself my children or trustee, and all the rights reserved to him in the choice of five slaves after my death now in the case of said compromise being effected and transfer made, I will and devise and so order & direct that whatever sum of money may be paid in consideration thereof shall be raised out of the said trust estate and that the said Trustee shall and may be sole or otherwise raise the amount of money necessary for that purpose, and whatever rights may be surrendered and given up by the said Trustee on said account I will and direct shall be ratified & confirmed and regarded as done by my written order and directions

I I devise and bequeath that whatever may be necessary to discharge me from liability to my children on account of my Guardianship for them be paid by the said Trustee out of the Trust fund now in his hand

I I devise & bequeath unto my two youngest children to wit William A. Pratt and Sarah E. Pratt all the interest & estate both real and personal arising to me in any manner whatever from the estate of my father Andrew Robertes & my brother Andrew Robertes whether included in the trust created by the marriage settlement or not to be equally divided between them

4th The balance of the estate held in trust as aforesaid both real and personal and every other interest whatever which I have whether included in the said marriage settlement or not & every interest which may hereafter come to me, I give and bequeath

Last Will & Testament of Louisa Haynie Wm. Co. Pa.

unto my four children to wit James S. Pratt Matilda
Aphelia Pratt William A. Pratt and Sarah S. Pratt
to be equally divided between them share and share alike

of All the Property and Estate and interest which I have
given to my children I give to them for and during their
natural life respectively, and at the death of any of
my said children the share that I have given to him or
her I give to her or her issue respectively and in case
any of my said children should die without issue at
the time of the death then I give the share given to him
or her so dying to her or her surviving brother and sisters
to be equally divided between them

I desire my Executors to have my body entombed in the
same manner as that of my brother and sisters and the
Expenses paid out of my Estate held in trust as aforesaid

If in case a suit or suits should be prosecuted against
my Estate by any person, I do hereby authorize my Executors
to engage good Counsel to defend the same & to pay
all Expenses first out of such portion of my Estate as is
not included in the marriage Settlement if there be any
such and if not then out of any part of the estate

I do hereby appoint my brother William Robertson
Executor of this my last will and testament
I hereby revoke all wills by me heretofore made
and do publish & declare this to be my last will and
Testament
Witness my hand & seal this
26th June 1854. In presence
of W. P. Martin }
J. F. Morely }
Jas W. Blain }

Louisa Haynie

State of South Carolina } Personally came James W. Blain
Abbeville District } one of the Subscribing Witnesses
to the within paper and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists
of Almighty God. Mostly oath that he was personally present
and did see Louisa Haynie Wm. Co. sign seal publish pronounce
and declare the within paper to be her last will and Testament
and that the Testatrix was of sound and disposing mind &
memory and understanding to the best of his knowledge and
belief that W. P. Martin & J. F. Morely together with himself and
in the presence of the Testatrix and in the presence
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of each other did sign their names as witnesses
 to the due Execution thereof
 Sworn before me this } Sat. W. Blair
 1st September 1857 }
 F. W. Selleck }
 C. S. J. }

State of South Carolina } Having Examined James
 Abbot the Testator } W. Blair one of the
 Subscribing Witnesses to the within paper, and being }
 satisfied that it is the true last Will and Testament }
 of Louisa Maynie Wm^d }
 Ordered that it be admitted to }
 Probate in Common Form } F. W. Selleck
 C. S. J.

State of South Carolina } Personally came William
 Abbot the Testator } Robertson Esq. named
 in the within Will and being sworn on the Holy }
 Evangelist of Almighty God upon oath to say that }
 the within paper is the true last Will of the said }
 Louisa Maynie Wm^d and that he will well and }
 truly execute the same by paying first the debts and }
 then the legacies therein contained so far as the goods }
 and chattels will extend and the law charges him that }
 he will make and return into the office of the Orphan }
 of the said District a true Inventory and Appraisement }
 of the Estate of the said deceased within the time }
 prescribed by law }
 Sworn to before me } William Robertson
 this 1st September 1857 }
 F. W. Selleck }
 C. S. J. }

State of South Carolina } I Certify that the
 Abbot the Testator } foregoing three pages
 contain a full true & correct Copy of the last }
 Will & Testament of Louisa Maynie Wm^d }
 the Original which is on file in my office }
 F. W. Selleck C. S. J.

Last Will & Testament of Nancy Robinson Dec.

State of South Carolina
Abbeville District

In the name of god
I Nancy Robinson

of the state and District aforesaid being of sound
and disposing mind and memory but weak in
body and calling to mind the uncertainty of life
and being desirous to dispose of all such worldly
Estate as it has pleased god to bless me with
do make and ordain this my last will in the
manner following-

1st I will and bequeath to my Brother in Law
William Robinson the tract of land on which
I now live, bounded north by John Brown west
by James Shanks land South by Alex^r. Mc Gastins
land East by Isaac Kennedy and John
Frankenters Land,

2nd I will and desire that my Executors herein
after named sell at Publick outcry on twelve
months credit to the highest bidder, all my horse
hags and Kitchen Furniture Plantation tools, horses
hags and hove and traps and with the money
pay all my just debts, the balance of the money
of said sale to be fifty dollars paid to Gathum
Brown who lives with me at this time provided
she continues to live with me during my
lifetime and is kind to me after that, is paid
the balance of the money, to be Equally divided
between John Frankenter (Thomas) G. M. Bayle
and Alexander P. Robinson,

3rd I will and bequeath to Isaac Kennedy
In Trust for the Honorable Henry Clay of the
State of Kentucky my slaves viz Man at
Charles Peter Jacob Mary William

4th I will and desire that my Executors herein
after named give the above named slaves, the
said slaves always having the Privilege
of choosing their own Employers,

5th I will and desire that the above named
slaves shall not go to the Heirs of the said
Henry Clay but to himself,
and I desire my Executors to apply the money
arising from the hire of the above named
slaves in any way the said Executor may
wish

and I will and desire that my Executor shall

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to the said Henry Clay or his Successor in office the above named Slaves
 16th I will and desire that my Friend Isaac Kennedy - and Shesly, constitute and appoint, the said Isaac Kennedy of the State and District aforesaid Executor of this my last will and testament and I do here by revoke and declare void all the wills which I have signed prior to this, In testament where off I have here unto set and affixed my hand and seal this tenth day of May In the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty one,
 In conclusion if any of my nephews or nees shall obtain a decree from any court in this State to set aside the above will or any part thereof I will their share to be a their Brown

In presence of
 us
 Test: Ely Harby
 William Huntley
 Mary Wee

Nancy ^{per} Robinson
 mark

State of South Carolina Personally came
 Attest District Isaac Kennedy named
 in the within will and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God upon oath says that the within paper is the true last Will of the said Nancy Robinson Wee? and that he will well and truly execute the same, by paying first the debts and then the legacies therein contained, so far as the goods and chattels will extend, and the said charge him that he will make and return into the office of the Ordinary, of said District, a true Inventory and Appraisalment of the Estate of the said deceased within the time prescribed by law.

Sworn to before me
 this 16 October 1851

Isaac Kennedy

F. W. Seale
 C. A. W.

Last Will & Testament of Nancy Robinson Dec^r

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South Carolina
 Abbeville District } I the Court of Ordinary
 the paper purporting to be
 the last will and Testament of Nancy Robinson
 deceased, being presented in this Court for probate
 and being required to be proved in solemn form
 of Law - the parties in interest having been cited
 to appear, and the subscribing witnesses to the same
 having been examined as the Law directs - and having
 being satisfied upon all matters touching the legal
 validity and formal execution of the same as a will
 I pronounce for the validity of the paper propo-
 unded for probate as the last will & Testament
 of Nancy Robinson deceased, and admit the
 same to probate in solemn form of Law 16 Oct
 1851

F. W. Sellick
 Oct, 1851

State of South Carolina } I certify that
 Abbeville District } the foregoing two
 pages and a half contain a full true &
 correct copy of the last Will & Testament
 of Nancy Robinson deceased, from the original
 which is on file in my office F. W. Sellick
 Oct 1851

Last Will & Testament of James F. Watson
Dec^r

The last Will and Testament of
 James F. Watson of the District of Abbeville
 and State of South Carolina.
 I James F. Watson, considering the uncertai-
 nity of this mortal life and being of sound
 mind and memory, Thanks to Almighty God
 for the same, do make and declare this
 my last will and Testament in manner
 - copied follows -

Last Will & Testament of James F. Watson
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and your following.

First I resign my soul into the hands of Almighty God, trusting 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 executor, herein after named, and that my executor, herein after named, have placed over the graves of wife and self, when deceased, and should any of my children, herein after named, deceased before arriving to the age of twenty one years, over the grave or graves of the child or children thus dying, and defray the expense out of my estate.

Also I will and desire that my executors herein after named shall annually pay to the Treasurers of the Baptist Church of Christ at Mount Moriah in the District of Abbeville for the support of the Pastor of said church, ^{* twenty five} and Ten Dollars annually to the deacon of said church to be applied to benevolent purposes as said church may direct until my youngest surviving child shall arrive at the age of twenty one years.

I also will that all of my just debts should be paid, and the remainder of my worldly estate I give and devise as follows: viz,

To my wife Margaret Watson I give and bequeath my my dwelling house and seven hundred acres of land selected from the home tract, as she may wish, so as not to materially injure the sale of said home tract, also a negro man named Charles, and Sally, his wife, and Wane, Isaac and Francis (children of Charles and Sally) Isaac and Fanny (his wife) and her children; Wane, and Hegiah, his wife, and their children; and Wiley, and Cassian and Washington (her son) and her future increase; and Alvia, and Phep, and Junius, and Mary and her children, and Jim; also all the household and kitchen furniture and carriage, and carriage harness carried forward

* In ten lines before signed

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and horses, one juicy waggon and harness, one good road waggon and harness for six mules, one oxcart and yoke of oxen, and eight choice mules, and few Milch cows and their calves, of her choice, and forty head of Stock hogs; one set of blacksmith tools, and plantation tools, of every kind as many as shall be necessary for the use of her hands in the cultivation of her lands; also a sufficiency of provisions of every description to support my wife Margaret Watson and family and Stock twelve calendar months, and an equal portion of all money, bonds, notes, and accounts on hand at the time of my decease after my just debts shall have been paid out of the same; and should my wife Margaret Watson marry after my decease then the one half of the above named property to revert back to my children herein after named at her decease, to be equally divided between them according to its valuation by five disinterested men.

I also will and bequeath to my son William Edward Watson, in consideration of his affliction, over and above his distributive share, as herein after mentioned one mulatto boy named Jim.

I also will and desire my children George M. Duffie Watson, James Franklin Watson, Thomas Anthony Watson, and Dorothy Jane Watson, each of them who may not have received from me previous to my decease one gold watch, one horse, saddle and bridle of three hundred dollars value, have purchased for them by my executors herein after named out of my estate, and given to them, one gold watch, one horse, saddle and bridle of the above named value, to my sons as they shall respectively attain eighteen years of age, and to my daughter when she shall become sixteen years of age.

I also will and direct that my executors herein after named be allowed carried forward

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twelve calendar months after my decease to close my mercantile business, and that my dwelling house, storehouse and lots in the village of Greenwood Abbeville District remain unsold twelve calendar months after my decease for the above named purpose, and then sold to my friend and partner G. F. Waller of said State and District on one, two and three years credit. Provided the said G. F. Waller shall be willing to purchase the same at the valuation of five disinterested persons, but if the said G. F. Waller shall refuse to purchase said dwelling house storehouse and lots at valuation price. Then my executors here in after named to have the said dwelling house storehouse and lots to be publicly sold on one, two and three years credit to the highest bidder and the proceeds of the sale to be divided among my children as here in after mentioned. The said G. F. Waller to make and secure the payment

I also will and desire that my children William Edward Watson, George M. Bluffie Watson, James Franklin Watson, Thomas Anthony Watson, and Dorothy Jane Watson, receive as my gift and bequest all my real and personal estate, together with all moneys, notes and accounts that I have on hand at my decease after the payment of my just debts, and not otherwise bequeathed, to be equally divided between them, share and share alike, by five disinterested freeholders, my sons as they shall respectively become twenty one years of age to receive each their distributive share, and my daughter Dorothy Jane Watson at the time of her marriage or when she arrives at one and twenty years of age to receive her distributive share.

I also will and desire that each of my children whose education may not be completed at the time of my decease be carried forward

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receive a good education, and the amount of fifteen
or incurred thereby be deducted from his or her
distributive share of my estate.

I also will and desire that my executors
herein after named shall appportion my negroes
and stock as they in their discretion may deem
necessary for the keeping in repair and cultivation
of my several plantations, and lay out in the
purchase of negroes, for said purposes, all money
after the payment of my just debts, that may
be on hand at the time of my decease, and
which may arise from the sale of crops, above
the needful expenses for the said plantations
and the support and education of my chi-
ldren. The distributive share of my wife
Margaret, Watson, of money, bonds notes and
accounts on hand at the time of my decease
excepted, and that they employ overseers
to superintend said plantations

I also will and desire that my real
and stock be equally divided between my
children before named I have and I have alive

I also will and direct that in the event
of any of my children before named, being married
die without children of their body born in
lawful wedlock, then the one half of their
estate derived from my estate, shall revert
back to my surviving children and their
children, and in the event that any of my
children before named die ^{not having been married then the full estate}
of their body of lawful ^{share of such child to revert to my}
children, and ^{children of such child to revert to my}
the child or children so left die unmarried
or before such child or children become twenty
one years old, then all the property inherited
by such child being a portion of my estate
or derived from my estate to revert back
first to such child's lawful brother or
brother's sister or sister, and should they
have neither brother or sister then the
property inherited by them as above sta-
ted to revert back to my surviving chi-
ldren and their children.

I also will and direct that my
executors herein after named, should they find
more horses mules or other stock than is
carried for and

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necessary for the cultivation of my plantations before named and the support of the negroes there on, all the same. And whenever my executors here in after named shall have purchased as many negroes as may be needed for the keeping in repair and cultivating my several plantations as before mentioned, then all surplus funds to be by them put out at interest for the benefit of my children before named.

Lastly I do hereby establish and appoint my Trusty friends Abert, Waller and James, H. Wideman and my wife Margaret Watson during her widowhood and my son George M. Wuffi Watson, when he shall become twenty one years of age, executors to this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all other wills and Testaments by me made.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the seventeenth day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty and in the seventy fourth year of the Independence of the United States of America.

Signed, Sealed and declared to be my last Will and Testament in the presence of } Jas. F. Watson

W. P. Hill
General Bell
John McNeil

State of South Carolina Personally came Abbeville District William P. Hill one of the subscribing Witnesses to the within paper, and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God makes oath that he was personally present, and did see James F. Watson sign, seal & publish, pronounce, and declare, the within paper to be his last Will and Testament and that the Testator was of sound mind and

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and disposing mind, memory and understanding, to the best of his knowledge and belief that Samuel Bell & John M. Hill together with himself, and in the presence of the Testator, and in the presence of each other, did sign their names as Witnesses to the due execution thereof.

Sworn before me, this 4th day }
November 1851 } William, P. Hill
J. W. Seever }
C. A. W }

State of South Carolina } Having examined
Abbeville District } William P. Hill
one of the subscribing Witnesses to the within }
paper, and being satisfied that it is the true }
last Will and Testament of James F. }
Watson Recd. Ordered, that it be admitted }
to Probate in common form }
4 November 1851 } J. W. Seever
C. A. W }

State of South Carolina } Personally came
Abbeville District } James H. Wideman
Executor named in the within Will, and }
being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almi }
ghty God, upon oath says that the within }
paper is the true last Will of the said }
James F. Watson, and that he will well }
and truly execute the same, by paying }
first the Debts and then the Legacies }
therein contained, so far as the goods }
and chattels will extend, and the law charge }
him that he will make and return into }
the office of the Ordinary of the said Dis }
trict a true Inventory and Appraisement }
of the Estate of the said deceased, within }
the time prescribed by law. }
Sworn to before me this 4th day } James H. Wideman
November 1851 }
J. W. Seever }
C. A. W }

Last Will & Testament of James F. Watson Dec. Court.

South Carolina
Abbeville District

I Margaret Watson
named Executrix &
Albert Waller named Executor in the last
Will & Testament of James F. Watson
Deceased, do hereby relinquish & renounce
all right to qualify and receive Letters
Testamentary on the same

4 November 1855

Margaret Watson
A. Waller

State of South Carolina
Abbeville District

I certify that
the foregoing seven pages contain
a full true & correct copy of the last
Will & Testament of James F. Watson
Deceased from the Original which is on
file in My office.

J. N. Belk

Oct 7

Last Will & Testament of Andrew Riley deceased
State of South Carolina
Abbeville Dist

In the name of God
Amen. I Andrew Riley of the State of South
Carolina & of Abbeville Dist being of sound mind
& disposing memory, but aware of the uncertain
ty of life, do make & ordain this as my last will
& Testament, viz.

Article 1st I will & bequeath unto my beloved
wife Mary Riley the Plantation whereon I now
live with all the farming utensils belonging
to said plantation, & also the household & kitchen
Furniture, also as many horses, hogs, cows & sheep
as she may want to keep. It is further my
will & desire that my beloved wife Mary Riley
should have all the crop on the above plan-
tation at the time of my decease, & also I
will to my wife Mary Negro man bot Balu-
da his wife & three children viz Jack son Alex-
ander & Eliza.

Art 2^d It is my desire that my sons should
live with my wife Mary & that they with
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Last Will & Testament of Andrew Riley deceased

My daughter to be Educated at Green wood in the School under the Presbyterian denomination.

Art 3^d It is my Will & desire that all my other personalty both real & personal be sold & the proceeds thereof after paying out of the same all my debts be equally distributed between my eight children (viz) John Rutledge, Jean Factor, James Kearney, Pitt Russell, Andrew Rice Riley, William Newton, Mary Elizabeth & Martha Jane.

Art 4th I here by appoint my son John Rutledge Executor of this my last will & Testament & charge him with the faithful execution thereof under the control of Cha^s R. Mosely M. W.

Art 5th and in the event of my decease before my son John Rutledge becomes of age it is my will & desire that Mr Charles R. Mosely shall act as my Executor until my son John Rutledge becomes twenty one year of age.

Signed, & witnessed this eighteenth day of July 1848
Andrew Riley
Thomas Riley
David Edwards

Witnessed in the 2^d line in the 3^d article interlined and acknowledged before this this 18th Oct 1848

State of South Carolina
Abbeville District

Personally came Thomas Riley one of the subscribing witnesses to the within paper, and being sworn on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God, in a Re oath that he personally present and did see Andrew Riley sign, seal, publish, pronounce, and declare the within paper to be his last Will and Testament and that the Testator was of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding, to the best of his knowledge and belief that David Edwards together with himself, and in the presence of the Testator came on.

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and in the presence of each other, did sign
 their names as Witnesses to the due execution
 thereof

Sworn before me, this 15th Dec^r 1857, Thos Riley

F. W. Sells

O. A. W

State of South Carolina }
 Abbeville District }

Having examined
 Thomas Riley one of the subscribing Witnesses
 to the within paper, and being satis-
 fied that it is the true last Will & Testa-
 ment of Andrew Riley Ordered, that it
 be admitted to Probate in common form
 15 Dec 1857

F. W. Sells

O. A. W

State of South Carolina }
 Abbeville District }

Personally came John
 Rutledge Riley Executor named in the within
 Will and being sworn on the Holy Evange-
 list of Almighty God, upon oath says
 that the within paper is the true last
 Will of the said Andrew Riley dec^d and that
 he will well and truly execute the same
 by paying first the debts and then the
 legacies therein contained, so far as the good
 and chattels will extend, and the law charge
 hereon that he will make and return unto
 the office of the Ordinary of the said
 District, a true Inventory and Apprais-
 ment of the Estate of the said deceased
 within the time prescribed by law;

Sworn to before me 15th Dec 1857

F. W. Sells

John R Riley

O. A. W

South Carolina } I certify that the foregoing
 Abbeville District } Page 2 half contain a full
 true & correct copy of the last Will & Testament
 of Andrew Riley dec^d from the original which
 is on file in my office, F. W. Sells
 O. A. W

Last Will & Testament of Catharine McCowan

South Carolina Attest Notary Public

In the name of God Amen
I Catharine McCowan being of sound mind, but weak in 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 give it Hoping for a free remission of all my sins in the mediation of his son Jesus Christ

First My Will is that My Executor herein after named shall pay all of my Just and Lawful debts in order to wish it will be necessary for him to sell all of my personal property or Estate

Second My will is that the plantation with I now live on containing one Hundred and eighty two acres more or less The third part of within name tract of Land I am entitled to according to the Law of the State of South Carolina be appropriated to the the payment of my debts and what ever is over paying my lawful debts I wish to be equal divided between my Three Daughters Sarah & Mary & Margaret Ann however in the First Place My will is that my two Sons Robert & Joseph Brown McCowan receive one dollar each as their share of my Estate.

And Last by I do hereby constitute and appoint My son in law Hezekiah Bowie Executor of this my last will and Testament here by revoking all former wills by me in testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and seal this the twenty six the day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & fifty one

Signed in the presence of
John Bowie
R. D. Bowie
John Waggoner
C. McCowan

Last Will & Testament of Catharine McLown deceased

State of South Carolina
Abbeville District

Personally came John Neaggans one of the subscribing Witnesses to the within paper, and being sworn on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God, makes oath that he was personally present, and did see Catharine McLown sign, seal, publish, pronounce, and declare the within paper to be her last Will and Testament - and that the Testatrix was of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding to the best of his knowledge and belief - that John Bowie & R. P. Bowie together with himself, and in the presence of the Testatrix and in the presence of each other did sign their names as Witnesses to the due execution thereof.

John Neaggans
sworn before me, this 15th December 1851

F. W. Siler
C. A. W.

State of South Carolina
Abbeville District

Having examined John Neaggans one of the subscribing Witnesses to the within paper, and being satisfied that it is the true last Will and Testament of Catharine McLown, Ordered, that it be admitted to Probate in common form

16 Dec 1851

F. W. Siler
C. A. W.

State of South Carolina
Abbeville District

Personally came Hegeriah Bowie son named in the within Will and being sworn on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God, upon oath says that the within paper is the true last Will of the said Catharine McLown and that he will well and truly execute the same, by paying first the debts and then the legacies therein contained, so far as the goods and chattels will extend and the law charge them that he will make and return into the office of the Ordinary of the said District, a true Inventory and Appraisement of the Estate of the said deceased within the time prescribed by law sworn to before me, 16 Dec 1851

F. W. Siler
C. A. W.

Hegeriah Bowie

Last Will & Testament of Catharine McLean


South Carolina: I certify that the foregoing Abbeville District going in pages contain a full true & correct copy of the Last Will & Testament of Catharine McLean herefrom the original, which is on file in my office,
 James K. McLeod
 (Sd)

Last Will & Testament of Thomas Moore deceased

S. C. Abbeville District

In the name of God Amen. I, Thomas Moore being of sound and disposing mind and memory, but weak in body, and bearing in 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 declare this my last will in the following manner. First I commend my soul to God and after my decease that I be decently buried. I desire that all my just debts be paid also my funeral expenses. After paying my debts and funeral expenses, I will and bequeath all my Estate personal and real to my dear daughter Anna Moore (consisting of Cattle Hogs, household & kitchen furniture, and a tract of land on which I now live, during her natural life, and at her death, I will and bequeath the same to my son James Moore, and his heirs forever. As the above named Anna Moore & James Moore have been supporting me in all my old age and my property will only in part recompense them, particularly my daughter Anna Moore who has been faithful in taking care of me for twenty years or more, 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 twenty fourth day of June, in the Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty, signed sealed as the last will and testament of the above Thomas Moore in the presence of

Test { William Graham
 { Chas. Rossmond
 { Enock Carter

Thomas Moore 

Last Will & Testament of Thomas Moore dec'd

State of South Carolina
Abbeville District

Personally came Enoch Carter
one of the subscribing witnesses to
the within paper, and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists
of Almighty God, makes oath that he was personally present,
and did see Thomas Moore, sign, seal, publish, pronounce,
and deliver the within paper to be his last Will and
Testament, and that the Testator was of sound and
disposing mind, memory, and understanding, to the best
of his knowledge and belief, that William Graham
& Thomas Roseman together with himself, and in the
presence of the Testament, and in the presence of each
other, did sign their names as witnesses to the due execution
thereof.

Sworn before me, this fifth
day of January 1852
F. W. Selleck
O. A. H.

Enoch Carter

State of South Carolina
Abbeville District

Having examined Enoch
Carter one of the subscribing witnesses to the within
paper, and being satisfied that it is the true last
Will & Testament of Thomas Moore, dec'd, that it be
admitted to Probate in common form
fifth day of January 1852

F. W. Selleck
O. A. H.

State of South Carolina
Abbeville District

I, F. W. Selleck ordinary
of the District of aforesaid, do hereby certify that the
foregoing two pages contain a full true correct copy
of the last Will & Testament of Thomas Moore dec'd
from the original which is on file in my office

F. W. Selleck
O. A. H.

Last Will & Testament of Christopher W. Mantz dec'd

In the name of God Amen!!!

I Christopher W. Mantz of Abbeenee District in the State of South Carolina, being of sound and disposing mind Memory and understanding but old and weak in body, and calling to mind that I must soon die do make and ordain this instrument as my last will and Testament

Item 1st It is my will and desire, that after my death my body be decently buried.

Item 2nd It is my will and desire, that my Executor after sufficient notice, shall sell to the highest bidder the Tragly Tract of land, lying in Edfield District, adjoining lands of Conway Rogers Joshua Harris and others, containing Two Hundred and forty acres, on a Credit of one and two Years, the payment of the purchase money to be secured before the execution of titles and delivery of possession.

Item 3rd It is my will and desire that all my just debts be paid, and for that purpose I authorize my Executor and Executrix, to use any funds which may be on hand at my death, together with the money arising from the sale of the Tragly Tract of land, if so much should be necessary: and if that should be not sufficient they are hereby authorized to sell of my personal estate, such property as can best be spared from the plantation, enough to raise funds, to satisfy all just demands

Item 4th It is my will and desire, that my plantation be kept up, and that the remainder of my property, after the payment of my just debts, be kept by my beloved wife Mary P. Mantz upon my plantation: to be controlled and governed by her, and for her to enjoy all the benefits and profits arising merely from the use of the same, after fully supporting and supplying all the wants of the plantation during her natural lifetime and her let it be understood, that all future increase will not be regarded as profits, but will remain and be regarded as a part of my Estate. To this foregoing part of this Item I wish my Executor to give his attention, and to render all such assistance in consulting and directing as may be necessary for the interest of all them concerned.

Item 5th It is my will and desire after the death of my beloved wife Mary P. Mantz, that all my personal estate and personal, be sold by my Executor in manner following to wit my personal property on a credit of six, twelve Months, and my real Estate on a credit of one two and three Years, in equal annual installments, the last payment to bear interest one year immediately preceding the time of its falling due.

Last Will & Testament of Christopher W Muntz, ^{Decd.}

all to be secured by note and security and mortgage of the premises if necessary. The money arising from from said Sale of my Estate to be collected by my Executor as soon as possible after it falls due, and to be paid out and disposed of as follows: to wit: Item 6th It is my will and desire that my Executor shall cause the graves of myself and wife to be decently kept up and to erect over each a plain set of Marble Tomb Stones

Item 7th I give and bequeath to my Brother, Andrew Muntz five Dollars, to be paid to him by my Executor

Item 8th I give and bequeath to my Sister Mary Steife, five Dollars, to be paid to her by my Executor

Item 9th To my Nephew Charles W. Gloor, I give and bequeath and hereby direct my Executor to pay to him five Hundred Dollars.

Item 10th To my Nephew David W. Gloor, I give and bequeath and hereby direct my Executor to pay to him five Hundred Dollars

Item 11th To Adaline Cawhau my Niece, I give and bequeath and hereby direct my Executor to pay to her five Hundred Dollars

Item 12th To Wm Leggett Walker (son of Rev David Walker) I give and bequeath, two thousand dollars, which my Executor is hereby directed to pay over to him when he arrives at the age of twenty one years. Previous to that time and during his minority the annual interest to be applied to his benefit in giving him an education.

This is understood when the Executor gets the funds a hand.

Item 13th. To Jonathan Augustus White (son of A. G. Sarah White) I give and bequeath, and hereby direct my Executor to pay over to him, five Hundred Dollars.

Item 14th. To Sarah Savannah White (daughter of A. G. Sarah White) I give and bequeath and hereby direct my Executor to pay over to her three (3) Hundred Dollars

Item 15th To and for the support of Rehobeth Church, I set apart a fund of five Hundred Dollars, to be kept at interest by my Executor, and the interest arising from said fund, to be applied as may be necessary exclusively in repairing and keeping up said Rehobeth Church so long as it may be used as a place of public worship by the Methodist denomination. Should said denomination discontinue the use of said Church, this bequest is then to revert back and become part of my Estate, and will be apportioned pro rata, to those, distributees named and

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under Items 9th 10th 11th 12th 13th & 14th according to each ones respective amounts.


Item 16th It is my will and desire, that my Executor so long as he may have funds in his hands, will contribute to keeping the grave of my Father and Mother inclosed, whatever amount in his judgement may be necessary for that purpose.

Item 17th If upon final settlement of my Estate, it should be found insufficient to satisfy all bequests here in made, it is my will that the deficit shall be equally apportioned among the distributees under Items 9th 10th 11th 12th 13th & 14th in due ratio according to their respective amounts, and if after payment of all bequests, there should remain a balance then in the hands of my Executor, it is my will that said balance be given to Jonathan Augustus White, the legatee named under Item 13th.

Item 18th I do here by appoint J. W. Hearst as Executor and Mary P. Mantz my beloved wife, as Executrix of this my last Will and Testament. I hereby revoke and annul all former Wills made by me.

In testimony whereof, I, Christopher W. Mantz do hereunto set my hand and affix my seal this fifteenth day of November in the Year of our Lords one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one, and in the seventy fifth Year of American Independence.

Signed sealed and acknowledged as and for his last Will and Testament in our presence
John Zimmerman
Hugh Roberson
S. B. Hammond

C. W. Mantz 

State of South Carolina
Abbeville District

Personally came J. B. Hammond one of the

Subscribing Witnesses to the within paper, and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, swears to each that he was personally present, and did see C. W. Mantz sign, seal, publish, pronounce, and declare, the within paper to be his last Will and Testament - and that the Testator was of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding, to the best of his knowledge and belief that John Zimmerman & Hugh Roberson together with himself and in the presence of the Testator, and in the presence of each other, did sign their names as witnesses to the due execution thereof.

J. B. Hammond

Sworn before me this 5 day of January 1852

J. W. Lee Clerk

Last Will Testament of C. W. Mantz, decd.

State of South Carolina
Abbeville District

Having examined
F. W. Sellick one
of the subscribing Witnesses to the within paper, and being
satisfied that it is the true last Will and Testament
of C. W. Mantz, ordered, that it be admitted to Probate
in Common Form
F. W. Sellick
5th January 1852
O. A. D.

State of South Carolina
Abbeville District

Personally came Dr John
W. Hearst Esq named in the
within Will and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of
Almighty God, upon oath says that the within paper
is the true last Will of the said C. W. Mantz and that
you will well and truly execute the same, by paying first
the debts and then the Legacies therein contained, so far as
the goods and chattles will extend, and the law charge
you that you will make and return into the office
of the ordinary, of the said District, a true Inventory and
Appraisement of the Estate of the said deceased, within
the time prescribed by law
Sworn to before me
this 5th day January 1852
J. W. Hearst
F. W. Sellick O. A. D.

South Carolina
Abbeville District

J. Frederick R. W. Sellick Esq
Ordinary for the District aforesaid
do here by Certify that the foregoing pages
contain a full true & correct Copy of the last Will
& Testament of C. W. Mantz, deceased, from
the original, which is on file in my office
F. W. Sellick
O. A. D.

Last Will & Testament of Dr Thos. B. Dendy deceased

In the name of God amen.

I Thomas B. Dendy of the Town & district of Abbeville am advised by the progress of an insidious disease in my person to avoid myself of the present when I am in the enjoyment of a sound & disposing mind to dispose of such worldly estate as in the mercy of God I now have, I therefore do make ordain & constitute this my last will and testament in the manner & form following.

That is to say first. It is my will & desire that my executors here after appointed take possession of all my estate real & personal, except my interest in the late firm of Wardlaw & Dendy, and as early as they think proper promptly or otherwise sell any part or all of the same & from the proceeds of sales pay all my debts.

Secondly It is my will & desire that the business of the late firm of Wardlaw & Dendy be settled up by Dr Wardlaw as early as practical & a return of my interest made by him to my executors.

Thirdly It is my will & desire that the remainder of my Estate be equally divided between my wife Mary Jane Dendy & my children E. C. James A. & Thomas M. Clellan Dendy

Lastly, I do nominate constitute & appoint my wife Mary Jane Dendy, John M. Clellan & Charles Dendy executors of this my last will & testament. Witness my hand & seal this 28th day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & fifty one

Signed sealed published as the last will & Testament of Thomas B. Dendy in the presence

Thomas B. Dendy

of Test John M. Boyde
John Hechler
John T. Cryan

Last Will & Testament of Thomas B. Dendy, deceased,

State of South Carolina
Abbeville DistrictPersonally came John
T. Lyon one of the
Subscribing Witnesses to

the within paper, and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists
of Almighty God, makes oath that he was personally
present, and did see Thomas B. Dendy sign, seal,
publish, pronounce, and declare the within paper to be his
last Will and Testament, and that the Testator was
of sound and disposing mind, memory and understand-
ing, to the best of his knowledge and belief, that
John McBeede & John McChies together with him-
self, and in the presence of the Testator, and in the
presence of each other, did sign their names as witnesses
to the due execution thereof

John T. Lyon

Subscribed before me, this

Sixth day of January, 1852

F. W. Selleck S. A. N.

State of South Carolina
Abbeville DistrictHaving examined
John T. Lyon one of

the subscribing Witnesses to the within paper, and being
satisfied that it is the true last Will and Testament
of Thomas B. Dendy; Ordered, that it be admitted to
Probate in Court as follows

6th Aug 1852

F. W. Selleck S. A. N.

State of South Carolina
Abbeville DistrictPersonally came John
McLellan & Charles
Wendy Executors named in

the within Will and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists
of Almighty God, upon oath says that the within
paper is the true last Will of the said Thomas B. Wendy
and that they will well and truly execute the same, by
paying first the debts and then the legacies therein
contained, so far as the goods and chattels will extend
and the law charge them that they will make and
return into the office of the ordinary of the said District
a true Inventory and appraisement of the Estate

Last Will & Testament of Thomas B. Dundy, Clerk

of the said deceased, within the time prescribed by law
suone before me

sixth day of January 1852
F. W. Seeseck
C. A. D.

John M. Callan
Charles Dundy

South Carolina
Abbeville District

I, Frederick W. Seeseck, Ordinary
of the District aforesaid, do hereby

certify that the foregoing pages contain a full true
Honest Copy of the Last Will & Testament of Thomas
B. Dundy, deceased, from the original which is on
file in my office

Frederick W. Seeseck
O.C.S.

Last Will & Testament of George Marshall, deceased.

The State of South Carolina

In the name of God
amen, I George Marshall of the district of Abbeville
and State aforesaid: being at present sound in mind ^{and} ^{understand}
understanding do make and ordain this to be my last
will and Testament in manner and form following (viz)
1st I give and bequeath unto my daughter Mary Ann
Miss Jordan, four negroes, namely Ben, Beckey, Magary &
Peggy, valued by me at one thousand five hundred dollars and
other property to the amount of five hundred dollars making
up their part already delivered over to them in the Year 1823
to Two Thousand Dollars.

2nd I give and bequeath unto my daughter Isabella Elizabeth
Smith, The following negroes (viz) Mateda, Lavinia, Kelly, William
Andrew, Alfred, Moriah, and Robert, valued by me at the
sum of seventeen hundred & twenty five dollars, and other
property worth five hundred and seventy five dollars making up her part
already delivered over to them in the Year 1824 to Two
Thousand Dollars.

3rd I give and bequeath unto my daughter Nancy Narcissa McDowell
the following negroes (viz) Peggy & her three children, Pric
Miss Dick and animal named Isabella - and other property all
valued by me at the sum of Two Thousand dollars already
delivered over to them in the Year 1838

Last Will & Testament of George Marshall

4th I give and bequeath unto My son Joseph Steen Marshall Two thousand dollars either in Money or Property to be delivered to him at My death or when he arrives at the age of Twenty one Years if taken in Property. It is to be valued by Three disinterested persons
 4th I give and bequeath unto My son Joseph Steen Marshall and his Mother as a home during her life the Tract of land on which I now reside containing Seven hundred & Eighty acres more or less, and it is My request that My son shall live with his Mother and take care of her until her death - after her death for the said Tract of land to belong to My son Joseph Steen Marshall

5th I give and bequeath unto My Daughter Sarah Cannon Marshall Two thousand dollars either in Money or Property to be delivered to her at My death, or at her Marriage, if taken in Property it is to be valued as before prescribed -

6th I give and bequeath unto My Daughter Martha Rebecca Marshall Two thousand Dollars, either in Money or Property to be delivered to her at the age of Eighteen Years, or at her Marriage, if taken in Property to be valued as before prescribed, and it is further My request, that My Executors shall Educate her, and pay the expenses out of My Estate, and to see that she has a good Education

7th I give and bequeath unto My beloved wife Sarah Marshall, the sum of Two thousand Dollars Dollars, either in Money or Property, to be delivered to her at My death, if taken in Property to be valued as before prescribed, for the I give unto her, One bed & My Carriage and a pair of Horses, and provisions for the support of her and her family for one Year

8th My Will and desire is that My Executors shall see, as they think most advantageous, the following Tracts of land (viz) The tract of land known as My Osburny tract containing Two hundred and fifty five acres, more or less - and Two hundred & fifty acres more or less, a part of that tract called the Bunt tract, the line between said tract, and the tract of land before given to My son Joseph Steen Marshall to begin on the line between Myself & Dr Samuel Marshall's tract of land known as the Grimes tract, where said line crosses a stream, The said line to run down the stream to the big Spring, from thence down the Spring branch to Joseph Foster's line - and also Fifty acres of land more or less, being a part of that tract called the Cobb tract lying west of the Road Road, and the proceeds arising from the Sales of said lands together with Three

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Thousand Dollars in money to be equally divided between my five daughters, or the heirs of their body.

9th For that my Will & desire is that all the surplus property, Stock, Crop &c. or any other property that may not have been disposed of, shall be sold as my Executors may think best, and the proceeds equally divided between all my children and wife each to share & share alike.

10th My Will and desire is that all my Negroes that may be left on hand at my death, shall be divided in lots making one lot for each child and for my wife, Valued and appraised by five disinterested persons, My beloved wife Jane, taking choice of the lots then the balance of the lots to be drawn for by my children.


11th My Will and desire is that Two thirds of all the money and property that are herein bequeathed unto my daughter Nancy Marcella McDonald (not Deceased) shall be given by my Executors to her four children viz James Alexander McDonald George Marshall McDonald, Patrick McDonald & Edwin Nicholas McDonald

12th Should either of my daughters named in the foregoing provisions die without issue, my Will is that their portion of the property or assets do return back to my Estate & to be equally divided between my children

lastly I do hereby nominate, constitute and appoint my sons in Law John Jonathan Jordan, Isaac Smith, & Joseph Stearns Marshall to be my Executors of this my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking and annulling all former Wills by me made, ratifying & confirming this & no other to be my last Will and Testament

In witness whereof I have set my hand and seal this 19th day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred and Forty five and in the twenty fifth year of the Independence of the United States of America

Signed sealed published and pronounced in the presence of
John McIntow
Lewis Mathis
M. W. Coleman

Geo. Marshall 

Last Will & Testament of George Marshall

State of South Carolina
Abbeville District

Personally came John
Ninton one of the subscribing
Witnesses to the within paper,
and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God
made oath that he was personally present, and did see George
Marshall sign, seal, publish, pronounce, and declare, the within
paper to be his last Will and Testament - and that the Testator
was of sound and disposing mind, memory, and understand-
ing to the best of his knowledge and belief - that Lewis
Mackis & M. W. Linnam together with himself, and in the
presence of the Testator, and in the presence of each other,
did sign their names as Witnesses to the due execution
thereof

Now before me, this
19th January 1852
F. W. Selleck O. A. S.

John Ninton

State of South Carolina
Abbeville District

Having examined John
Ninton one of the subscribing
Witnesses to the within paper and being satisfied that it is
the true last Will and Testament of George Marshall
do hereby order, that it be admitted to Probate in Court on
19th January 1852

F. W. Selleck
O. A. S.

State of South Carolina
Abbeville District

Personally came Jonathan
Jordan Esq. J. Marshall Esq.
named in the within Will and being sworn on the Holy Evan-
gelists of Almighty God, upon oath says that the within
paper is the true last Will of the said George Marshall and
that they will well and truly execute the same by paying
first the debts and then the legacies therein contained,
so far as the goods and chattels will extend and the law
charge them that they will make and return into the
office of the Ordinary, of the said District, a true Inventory
and Appraisement of the Estate of the said deceased,
within the time prescribed by law

Now before me
19th January 1852 F. W. Selleck
O. A. S.

Jonathan Jordan
Jos. S. Marshall

Last Will Testament of George Marshall Decr

South Carolina (Abbeville District)
 I. Frederick W. Telleck Esq. ordinary
 for the District aforesaid, do here by
 Certify that the foregoing pages contain a full true
 & correct copy of the Last Will & Testament of George
 Marshall decd from the original which is now filed
 in my office
 Frederick W. Telleck
 o.c.t.

Last Will & Testament of William Cong Sr

South Carolina (In the name of God Amen,
 Abbeville District)
 I William Cong Sr King of sound
 mind and memory
 But weak in Body and calling to mind the certainty of
 death, and being desirous to dispose of all such worldly
 Estate as it hath pleased God to Bless me with do make
 and ordain this my Last will and Testament in
 manner following (viz)
 1st I will my Body to ground from whence it came, and my
 soul to God who gave it
 2^d I give and bequeath to my Beloved wife Elizabeth Cong, one
 hundred acres of land to be laid off on the North end of
 my tract embracing the dwelling House, also all my Store
 Wood and Kitchen furniture, my Stock of Cattle Hogs Sheep and
 Horses on Camargo plantation Tools two Year provisions and
 one Negro man Edmund during her natural life - and
 at her death I give and bequeath to my two daughters
 (viz) to Elizabeth Fifty acres of the above named Land em-
 bracing the dwelling House above mentioned and one Side
 Roland during her natural life - and to Margaret the other
 Fifty acres of the above named Land her natural life, and at
 their death the Land to be sold and Equally divided Between
 my Lawful heirs, Except my Son Reuben and his heirs
 who is to have no part nor share in it
 3^d I will the Balance of my Land to be sold and
 whatever other property that may remain that is not
 named and all my Just debts paid and the Balance to
 be Equally divided Between my Lawful heirs Except my
 Son Reuben and his heirs to whom I will Ten dollars
 which is all I intend him to have of my Estate
 And lastly I constitute and appoint my Son
 William Cong, and my Friend W. P. Martin Executors to Execute
 this my Last and Testament by me here tofore made. In

Last Will & Testament of William Conger

witness whereof I have hereunto set hand and seal this sixteenth day of November, A. D. one Thousand Eight Hundred and Forty seven

In presence of
Geo Mattison
Jepo Cent
Wm P Martin

Wm Conger

State of South Carolina }
Abbeville District

I personally came Wm P Martin one of the subscribing witnesses to the within paper and being sworn as the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God makes oath that he was personally present and did see William Conger Sr sign, seal, publish, pronounce and declare the within paper to be his last will and Testament, and that the Testator was of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding to the best of his knowledge and belief that George Mattison and Jepo Cent together with himself and in the presence of the Testator, and in the presence of each other, did sign their names as witnesses to the due execution thereof sworn before me

this 23^d January 1852
Frederick W. Seelye
O. A. S.

Wm P. Martin

State of South Carolina }
Abbeville District

Having examined William P. Martin one of the subscribing witnesses to the within paper and being satisfied that it is the true last will and Testament of William Conger Sr, ordered that it be admitted to Probate in common form

this 23^d January 1852

Frederick W Seelye
O. A. S.

Last Will Testament of William Yong Sr Decd

State of South Carolina
Abbeville District

Personally came William
Yong Executor named in the

within view and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of
Almighty God, upon oath says that the within paper
is the true last Will of the said William Yong Sr and
that he will well and truly execute the same by paying
first the Debts and then the Legacies therein contained so
far as the goods and chattles will extend, and the law
Charge Thin that he will make and return into the
office of ordinary, of the said District a true Inventory
and Appraisement of the Estate of the said Decedent
within the time prescribed by law

Sworn to before me
3^d January 1852
Frederick W Seeger
C. C. K.

W Yong Jr

South Carolina
Abbeville District

Frederick W Seeger ordinary
of the District aforesaid, do

hereby certify that the foregoing pages contain a
true and correct copy of the Last Will and
Testament of William Yong Sr Decd from the
original which is on file in my office

Frederick W Seeger
C. C. K.

Last Will Testament of Robert C. Gordon

The State of South Carolina

In the name of God - amen!!!

I Robert C. Gordon of the district of Abbeville and
State aforesaid being weak in body but of sound
and disposing mind & memory, and understanding
and being desirous of disposing of the property & estate
with which God hath blessed me, do make this my last
will and testament hereby revoking all wills by me heretofore
made

1 My will is that all my just debts be paid
2 My will & desire is in so order and direct that my
wife Rebecca be handsomely supported and maintained

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during her natural life, and I charge My Executors
Specially to see that this provision be faithfully
carried out

3 I give and bequeath unto My daughter Rosa Ann,
Wife of James McLeod, for her sole and separate use, not in
any way subject to the control of her husband, for +
during her natural life, & at her death to her children
the sum of one thousand dollars and the entire debt due to
her from the said James McLeod which is now in suit
to be paid to the said Rosa Ann or any person whom
she may choose to act as trustee for her.

4. I give and bequeath to My son Ezekiel Evans
Gordon five hundred dollars.

5 I give and bequeath unto My daughter Rebecca
Eveline - wife of Leroy C. Wilson the entire debt now due
to her from her husband, secured by mortgage on his
land, and the sum of eight hundred dollars to be paid
to her by My Executors, to be for her use during her natural
life and at her death to be divided equally between
her children which she may have at the time of
her death.

6. I give and bequeath to My Grand daughter Jane
Watt Wilson five hundred dollars to be paid for her
schooling as it may be needed, if so much be necessary
but if no much be not needed for schooling then all
not expended in schooling with the interest thereon
to be paid to her when she comes of age or marries.

7. I give devise & bequeath unto My two sons James
& Robert Thomas, all My land & real estate, to them
& their heirs but if either of My said sons should die
without issue living at the time of his death then
I give his part of the land to the survivor and if
the survivor should die without leaving issue at the
time of his death then that I give the same to My other
children subject to the same limitations as is provided
as to the bequests to them respectively.

It is distinctly understood & I so order and direct
that the said lands shall be a home for My wife
and two single daughters for and during their lives
or so long as they may choose to live thereon -

8 I give & bequeath unto My four children in
equal shares, to wit James Gordon (Robert Thomas
Gordon, Mary Watt Gordon and Jane Eliza Gordon
all My Negroes & stock of every kind, plantation tools
the balance of My money on hand, bonds, notes,

Last Will & Testament of Robert C. Gordon

and all the rest and residue of my estate of every description, for and during their natural lives, with remainder to such child or children as either of them should be living at the time of his or her death respectively as to his or her share and if either of my said four children should die without leaving issue living at the time of his or her death, then his or her share to go to the survivors and if the last survivor should die without leaving issue living at the time of his or her death, then I give the estate & property hereby given to them, to my other children herein named share and share alike subject to the same limitations as is provided in the bequests given to them respectively
 I do hereby appoint my two sons James and Robert Thomas Gordon executors of this my last will and Testament

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 18th Jan'y 1859

Signed, sealed, published, and acknowledged in presence of us who have hereunto signed our names as witnesses thereto in the presence of the Testator

Andrew Wynn
 Charles Dendy
 Tho. L. Perin

Robert Gordon 

State of South Carolina
 Abbeville District

Subscribing Witnesses to the within paper, and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, make oath that he was personally present and did see Robert C. Gordon sign, seal, publish, pronounce, and declare the within paper to be his last Will and Testament and that the Testator was of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding to the best of his knowledge and belief that Charles Dendy & Andrew Wynn together with himself, and in the presence of the Testator, and in the presence of each other did sign their names as Witnesses to the due execution thereof

this 28th January 1862

Tho. L. Perin

James N. W. Sell, Jr.
 o. A. D.

Last Will Testament of Robt C Gordon

State of South Carolina
Abbeville District

Having examined Thomas
& C. Friend one of the subscribing
Witnesses to the within paper
and being satisfied that it is the true last Will
and Testament of Robert Gordon decd, Ordered, that
it be admitted to Probate in Common form
28th January 1852

Fredrick W. Selleck
o. A. J.

State of South Carolina
Abbeville District

Personally, came
Robert Thomas Gordon
Evor named in the
within Will and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists
of Almighty God. upon oath says that the
within paper is the true last Will of the said
Robert C. Gordon decd and that he will well
and truly execute the same, by paying first the
debts and then the Legacies therein contained, so
far as the goods and chattels will extend, and the
law charge therein that he will make and return
into the office of ordinary, of the ^{said} District, a true
Inventory and Appraisement of the Estate of the
said decedent, within the time prescribed by law.

Sworn to before me

this 28th January 1852

Fredrick W. Selleck
o. A. J.

Robert T. Gordon

South Carolina
Abbeville District

I Fredrick W. Selleck
Ordinary of the District
aforesaid, do hereby certify that the foregoing
papers contain a full true & correct copy of
the last Will Testament of Robt C. Gordon
decd. from the original which is on file in my
office.

F. W. Selleck
o. A. J.