

Last Will & Testament of John Campbell Deceased.

South Carolina
Abbeville District

In the name of God ame! I John Campbell of Abbeville District being
of sound disposing mind memory and understanding but
calling to mino that it is appointed in the Providence of God
for all men once to die: do make and ordain this my last will and
testament hereby revoking all former wills by me made —
First. I commend my soul to God who gave it and desire that my
Executor per in after named wife have my body decently buried
Second. I wish all my just debts to be paid by my Executor out of the
money and proceeds of notes, demands, and accounts which I may die
possessed of —

Third. After my Executor has collected what money may be due me, I wish
him to pay all my just debts and all the expenses of the Estate and
whatever sum may remain in his hands I wish him to hold for
the support of my dearly beloved wife Nancy in the same manner
as the remainder of my property, being my real and personal Estate
is herein after bequeathed, devised and distributed of —

Fourth. I devise and bequeath all my property both real and personal to
my dearly beloved wife Nancy, during her natural life or widowhood as a compen-
sation to her for her kindness and affection to me, and also for raising my nine children
Fifth. If my widow should marry again, then I desire my Executor to sell my
whole Estate, and to divide the proceeds together with whatever sum may
be in his hands of ten dollars paying my debts equally between my wife and
children — my wife Nancy having a child's part —

Sixth. If my wife Nancy should never marry again — then I wish as hitherto
expressed that she should have the use and enjoyment of my whole Estate both
real and personal for the purpose of maintaining herself and raising her family
during her natural life but at her death I wish my whole Estate to be
sold by my Executors and the proceeds of sale, as well as all monies which
may remain in his hands belonging to my Estate, to be equally divided betw-
een all my children, and the child or children of any deceased child the child
or children of any deceased child representing the parent and taking among
them "per Stirpes", the share which he or she would have been entitled to —

Seventh. I do hereby nominate constitute and appoint my brother friend and
trustee Hugh Brown Joseph H. Bell the sole and only Executor of this my last
will and testament —

Given under my hand and seal this 9th day of January anno domini 1853
Signed sealed + delivered

in presence of
Edm and J. Holloman
James Young
P. N. Bell

John X Campbell
Mar 18



Last Will & Testament of John Campbell, Dec^d.

State of South Carolina
Abbeville District

Personally came P. N. Reed 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 John
Campbell sign, seal, publish, pronounced, 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 Edmund P. Holloman &
James Young together with himself, and in the presence of each other, did sign their
names as witnesses to the due execution thereof
Sworn to before me this { 2^d day of July 1859
Frederick W. Seelby O.A.D.

P. N. Reed

State of South Carolina (Having examined
Abbeville District { P. N. Reed one of the
subscribing witnesses to the
within paper, and being satisfied that it is the true last will
and testament of John Campbell; Ordered, that it be admitted to
probate in common form Frederick W. Seelby
2^d day 1859 O.A.D.

State of South Carolina (Personally came Joseph F. Reed
Abbeville District { Not 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 John Campbell and that the will
was freely and truly executed to the same by paying first the debts and
then the legacies therein contained, so far as the goods and
chattels were extend, and the law charges you that your will make
and return into the office of the Ordinary of the said District
at and inventory and Appraisement of the Estates of the said
deceased, within the time prescribed by law. Sol. F. Reed
Sworn to before me 2^d day Feb 1859
Frederick W. Seelby O.A.D.

South Carolina (I, Frederick W. Seelby Ordinary
Abbeville District { of the District aforesaid do hereby
certify that the foregoing pages contain a true and
correct copy of the last will & testament of John Campbell
dec^d. from the original which is on file in my office
Given under my hand at
F. W. Seelby
O.A.D.

Last Will & Testament of Martha Houston. Dec.

In the name of god amen

I Martha Houston being in feeble
and weak state of health and calling to mind the mortality of my
body and knowing that it is appointed for all once to die. do make
and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following
Item 1st To my daughter Mary D. Fleming I give and bequeath
during her natural lifetime my plantation that I now live on
containing Sixty eight acres lying on the head branchy of Penney's
Creek water of little river joining lands belonging to Dr. H. Bell
John Carnile and others.

Item 2^d The tract of land above mentioned and bequeathed
to my daughter Mary D. Fleming for and during her natural
lifetime and at the time of her decease I give and bequeath
the same to my grand son Hugh D. Fleming and his heirs forever
Signed Sealed Published and delivered by the said Martha Houston
to be her last will and testament in our presence who in the presence
of the testator and in the presence of each other signed and
Subscribed the same as witnesses this the 10th day of April in the
Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty nine

Samuel W. Walker
Robert Clarkness
John J. Carnile

Martha Houston
Mar 18

State of South Carolina
Abbeville District

Personally came John J. Carnile
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 Martha Houston sign said publickly upon me and
declare the within paper to be her last Will and testament
and that the testatrix was of sound and disposing memory and
understanding to the best of his knowledge and belief that
Samuel W. Walker Robert Clarkness to gether 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

Sworn to before me.
the 6th February 1852
Frederick W. Sela Jr
O.C.D.

John J. Carnile

Last Will & Testament of Martha Houston

State of South Carolina
Abbeville District

Having examined John
Houston one of the subscribing
Witnesses to the within Paper, and being satisfied that it is
the true last Will and Testament of Martha Houston.
Ordered that it be admitted to Probate in Common Court
6th February 1853

Fredrick W. Selle A.C.
C. A. D.

South Carolina
Abbeville District

I Fredrick W. Selle A.C. Ordinary
of the District aforesaid do hereby
certify that the foregoing paper contain a true and correct
copy of the last Will and Testament of Martha Houston deed
from the original which is on file in my office F. W. Selle A.C.

Last Will & Testament of William Shirley, Esq.

South Carolina Abbeville District

In the name of God, Amen.

I William Shirley of the State and District aforesaid being
weak in body but of sound and disposing mind and memory,
and calling to mind the uncertainty of this life and being
desirous to dispose of whatever worldly Estate I may possess
do make this as my last Will and Testament in manner
and form following, viz. I will and bequeath to my beloved
Mother Nancy Shirley my negro woman Maria and her
increase if any to belong to her during her lifetime and at
her death I will that the negro with whatever increase shall
be sold and the proceeds of the sale be equally divided among
my Brothers or their heirs the money and Notes belonging
to me I will that so much of it as is necessary be applied to the
payment of all my just debts and the balance be equally
divided between all my brothers and sisters and I do hereby
constitute and appoint my brother Benjamin Shirley
my Executor to execute this my last Will and Testament
in testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand seal
declaring this to be my last will and Testament this
10th December 1851

In presence of
J. R. Wilson
Benj X McLain
James H. Headson

William Shirley



Last Will & Testament of William Shirley

State of South Carolina
Abbeville District

Personally came James H. Haddow
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 William Shirley
sign seal, publish, pronounced, 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 J. R. Wilson and Benj M. Sain 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.

Swear to before

James H. Haddow

me, this 13th day

February 1852 Frederick W. Selleck C. A. D.

State of South Carolina
Abbeville District

Having examined James H. Haddow

one of the Subscribing Witnesses to the
within Paper, and being satisfied that it is the true Last Will and
Testament of William Shirley; Ordered that it be admitted to Probate
in form and form

Frederick W. Selleck C. A. D.

13th Feb 1852

State of South Carolina
Abbeville District

Personally came Benjamin Shirley
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 William Shirley 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 are extant, 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.

Swear to before me 13 February 1852

Frederick W. Selleck C. A. D.

Benjamin Shirley

South Carolina

I Frederick W. Selleck, Ordinary of the
Abbeville District of District aforesaid, do hereby certify that
the foregoing paper contains a true copy
of the Last Will & Testament of William Shirley and
from the original which is on file in my office,

F. W. Selleck
C. A. D.

Last Will & Testament of W^m Means, Sec^d

South Carolina. (In the name of God amen,
 Abbeville District of I William Means, of said State and District
 being of sound & disposing mind & memory: and
 mindful of the certainty of death, & of its near approach to me
 in all human probability, do make & ordain, this to be my last
 will and Testament.

I commit my soul to God who gave it, trusting in the righteousness
 of His Son, for all the benefits which believers shall receive from
 Christ, at their death, & at the resurrection.

As to the worldly Estate, with which God has blessed me. I dispose
 of in the manner following. To wit,

1st I will bequeath unto Margaret T. now wife of Jas McVile, my
 daughter, Three hundred & twenty five dollars, it being about the moiety
 of what I got by her deceased mother, from the Estate of John McVile
 dest^d to her & her heirs forever.

2^d I will bequeath unto my daughter Jane to now wife of Jas
 Wilson of Mississippi, two hundred & twenty five dollars (having
 given them, already one hundred dollars) being the other moiety
 of the Estate rec^d by her dead mother, as above, to her & her heirs
 forever.

3rd It is my will and desire, that my homestead Plantation whereon
 I now live, on the Abbeville & Pendleton road, remain for a home
 for my beloved wife & minor children, during her natural life
 or widowhood: and so long as any of my children, by her, shall
 remain single & live with her in peace & friendship.

Item 4th It is my will and desire, I do hereby give to each of my
 five daughters, by my last marriage, a saddle worth ten dollars,
 a cow & half, their choice & one bed & bedding to each of them -
 their mother to choose for those who are minors.

5th I will bequeath, to my son John, a horse & saddle of the value
 of fifty dollars.

6th It is my will, that one hundred dollars worth of Provisions be
 & the same is hereby given, at my death, for the use of my beloved
 wife & her then living children.

7th To my beloved wife, I will bequeath & desire, one third of all the
 rest & residue of my Estate, not otherwise disposed of, to her during
 her natural life or widowhood - and in case of her marriage, then,
 only a child's part thereof to her, her heirs, and assigns forever.

8th It is my will, that after my death, my Executors, hereinafter named, do
 proceed to sell my Gilmer Plantation, (& they are hereby empowered so to
 sell & make titles for the same) Together with all the balance &
 residue of my Estate personal not heretofore bequeathed or disposed
 of together with any notes, moneys, or other choses in action, and
 the proceeds of such sale to be equally divided between my
 beloved wife and all my children, by both marriages - share &
 have a like

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Last Will & Testament of W^m Means "Deced."

to them & each of them & their heirs forever: and it is understood, this share of my wife, is the share mentioned in the 7th clause, or item above, or that she receive absolutely but a child's part, & conditionally the third as in 1st clause.

9th when the Jonah time arrives, it is also my will, that the Home place in third (3rd) clause be also sold, & the proceeds of said sale, to be equally divided between my beloved wife, & all my children by both marriage, share & share alike, as in the 8th clause, above.

Lastly I do hereby nominate, constitute & appoint my beloved wife James Means and James McGill my Executors, to this my last will & testament.

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this tenth day of February A.D. one thousand eight hundred & fifty two 1852

Signed sealed & pronounced & declared
as for my last will in the presence of

William Means 

David Peely
W. S. Cochran
Samuel Reid

State of South Carolina
Abbeville District

Personally came David Peely 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 William Means 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 W. S. Cochran & Samuel Reid 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 3rd May 1852

Frederick W. Selleck

David Peely

State of South Carolina

Abbeville District

Having examined David Peely one of the
subscribing witnesses to the within paper, and
being satisfied that it is the true last will and Testament of William Means
I order, that it be admitted to probate in common form.
3rd May 1852

Frederick W. Selleck
C. A. J.

Last Will & Testament of the Estate of W^m Means

State of South Carolina (Personally came James McGinnis
Abbeville District) James Means named in the within
will and being Sealed over the

Holy Evangelists of Almighty God upon oath says that the
within Name is the true last Will of the said William Means and
that they will will 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 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.

Swear to before me
3rd day May 1859
Frederick W. Selleck
O. A. D.

James McGinnis
James W. Means

South Carolina ()
Abbeville District () I F. W. Selleck Ordinary of the District
aforesaid, do here by certify that the fore
going 2 pages & above, contain a full, true, & correct copy of the
last will & Testament of William Means deceased, from the
original which is on file in my office, F. W. Selleck
O. C. D.

Last Will & Testament of John Keller, "Dec^d"

State of South Carolina ()
Abbeville District ()

In the name of God Amen

I John Keller of the State and District aforesaid being weak
and frail in body, but of sound and disposing mind & being aduertised
by my present affliction that my life is shotted and also being desirous
to make some disposition of my worldly effects do make and ordain
this my last Will & Testament -

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

Then I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Elizabeth Keller all
my real Estate, also George, Judy, Hettie, Rev. Jack, Frances, Cadigia,
Wade, Monroe, also all my household Kitchen furniture. Three good mules
one Buggy, harness, one waggon and harness. Five cows & calves, such plantation
tool, as she may need for farming and one year provision for her family
and stock, to have and to hold during her natural life

(Signed John)

Last Will & Testament of John Keller, Deceased.

Item 3rd It is my will and desire that my youngest son John F. Keller should receive Thirty five hundred Dollars with interest from the first of January 1850 (of my estate) of money or property which ever he may make choice of also one good horse saddle and bridle, one good horse instead of from two two choice cows and calves.

Item 4th It is my will and desire that the balance of my personal property be sold, and my just debts be paid first, then each of my children to be made equal in what I have given to them heretofore, referred to my book which will show what each of them have received, after they receive the sum that will make them all equal then the balance they will share and share alike. It is also my will that my two sons Dr J. C. Keller and J. F. Keller should have all my goods to be equally divided between them Except my family Bible that is to belong to my beloved wife Elizabeth Keller.

Item 5th After the death of my beloved wife, it is my desire that the property bequeathed to her, and not other wise disposed of, should be sold and the proceeds be divided among my children share and share alike.

Item 6th It is my will and desire that if my son J. F. Keller wishes to keep my slaves and plantation after the death of his mother he should have it at valuation otherwise it is to be sold with all the property that she may have at her death and equally divided among my children.

Item 7th It is my will and desire my two sons-in-law Philip Conner and James C. George should act as the executors of this my last will and testament and to receive half the law fees for their services. Signed, Sealed, Published, and Delivered & acknowledged to be my last will and testament this 20th day of May one thousand eight hundred and fifty two.

In presence of

John Keller

A. H. Morton

J. W. W. Marshall

John C. Conner

State of South Carolina
Abbeville District

Personally came A. H. Morton

One of the subscribing witnesses to the within paper, and being sworn on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God, make oath that he was personally present and did see John Keller 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 J. W. W. Marshall & John C. Conner to get the rest 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 28th May 1852

Frederick W. Seelye

A. H. Norton

Last Will & Testament of John Keller, "Dec^r"

State of South Carolina (

Abbeville District

I Having examined A. H.

Norton one of the subscribers

witnesses to the within paper, and being satisfied that it is the
true last Will and Testament of John Keller; ordered that it be
admitted to Probate in common form.

28th May 1852 /

Frederick W. Selleck

C. A. S.

State of South Carolina (

Abbeville District

I Personalty and fixtures to Charles

Philip Brown Evans 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 John Keller Dec^r 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 chattles will extend
and the law charges 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

28th May 1852

Frederick W. Selleck

C. A. S.

James C. Harber

Philip Brown

Brand & Compt^r

J. W. Selleck

Last Will & Testament of William Morrison, "Dec^r"

South Carolina (

Abbeville District

In the name of God Amn.

William Morrison of the District and
State aforesaid, do constitute and ordain this to be my last will
and Testament, to wit,

1st I desire all my just debts to be paid. I^d I will and bequeath
to my wife Nancy, one negro woman Hammah, to her, during her
natural life, and at her death, I will the said Hammah and her
increase, if any, to be sold & the proceeds of the sale to be equally
divided between my three sons, James, Andrew, & John Shown and
share alike.

2^d I will and devise to my son Andrew, apart of the Field tract
of land, to be laid off to him on the East side of the tract con-
taining one hundred acres and the house whereon I now live
to him & his heirs forever - provided, the said Andrew do continual
to live with me till my death & raise my stock & superintend
my affairs and interest as he has done, here before -

Last Will & Testament of William Morrison, Decr

and if he fail in this proviso, then the said devise of 100 acres of land to be void, and at my death be sold & revert back to my Estate, And I will and devise the remainder of my real Estate, containing two hundred and twenty odd acres to my two Sons James & John, to them and their heirs forever - provided the land be valued by 3 or 5 disinterested men, and that my two Sons James & John do pay to my daughter Katy, or her children in case of her death, such a share of said valuation as to make her an equal legatee - first deducting therefrom the sum of Three hundred dollars advanced to her in money by me, counting Interest - and provided further that in this apportionment into 3 1/2 acres that that John do pay one hundred dollars thereof to my Son James.

Item 5th I leave my waggon & gear, for the use of my plantation, unto the death of my wife & of my own death.

Item 6th I will and bequeath to my Son Andrew for his past services, one negro man Dave to him and his heirs forever - provided as in the 3rd clause of this my will, that he remain to live with me as heretofore & if not that the said boy Dave be sold as the remainder of my property as hereinafter stated.

Item 7th my will and desire is, that at my death, all the rest & residue of my Estate, not heretofore willed - that is - Swamp, Jack, Moore & Willis & all and singular the remainder of my Estate, not otherwise disposed of be sold by my Executors & out of the sale of this remainder, all my just debts to be paid & what is left, to be equally divided among all my children, Shaw and Shaw alike the child or children of a dead child to represent its parent. And I do, for the present, constitute, my Executors, my wife whereof I do hereunto set my hand and seal this twenty ninth October 1849.

Signed Sealed & published

in the presence of

J. J. Martin

Pro F Livingston

Wm. Wren

W^m Morrison 

State of South Carolina (Person ally) came Dr John F Livingston
Abbeville Distict 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 William
Morrison 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 memory and understanding, to the best of his knowledge and
belief - that J. J. Martin and Wren were to get this with himself, and
in the presence of the Testator, and in the presence of each other
and sign their names as witnesses to the due execution thereof
Sworn to before me, this seventh

day of June 1852.

F. M. Sillcock

C. A. S.

John F Livingston

Last Will & Testament of William Means, "Dec'd"

State of South Carolina
Abbeville District

I, W. Means, of the State of South Carolina, in the County of Abbeville, District of Abbeville, being of sound mind and memory, do make and publish my Last Will and Testament, in which I do hereby dispose of all my estate both real and personal, and do further declare that I have no wife living, and that I am desirous that my body may be buried in the cemetery of the Methodist Church in this town, and that my grave may be marked with a simple stone. I do further declare that I have no children living, and that I do hereby appoint my friend, John F. Livingston, of the subscriber's name, to be my Executor, and to execute my will according to law. I do further declare that I have no debts or other liabilities, and that I do hereby release all my creditors from any claim they may have against me. I do further declare that I do hereby give and bequeath to my friend, John F. Livingston, all my personal effects, including my clothes, bedding, and household goods. I do further declare that I do hereby give and bequeath to my friend, John F. Livingston, all my real estate, including my house and land, and that he shall have full power to sell the same and apply the proceeds towards the payment of my debts and expenses. I do further declare that I do hereby give and bequeath to my friend, John F. Livingston, all my personal effects, including my clothes, bedding, and household goods. I do further declare that I do hereby give and bequeath to my friend, John F. Livingston, all my real estate, including my house and land, and that he shall have full power to sell the same and apply the proceeds towards the payment of my debts and expenses.

F. W. Seelbach

Attest,

South Carolina

Abbeville District

I, F. W. Seelbach, Ordinary of the
District aforesaid, do hereby certify that
the foregoing pages contain a true, true, & correct copy of
the Last Will & Testament, of William Means, Dec'd, from
the original which is now file in my office, F. W. Seelbach
O. A.

Last Will & Testament of Joseph Wardlaw, Dec'd

State of South Carolina
Abbeville District

I, Joseph Wardlaw, of the State and District
aforesaid, being of sound mind and memory - but
weak in body. Do hereby make and Ordain this my last Will
and Testament revoking all others.

I will my body to the Earth to be decently interred and my soul
to God who gave it, hoping for a joyful resurrection, through a
crowned Saviour. It is my will that all my just debts be paid
by my Executors from the Sale of my two Tracts of Land, known as
the Mill and Possee Creek, the cotton on hand, the horses & growing
crop of cotton and all notes due me.

I will to my Son George Wardlaw, one half of all
my lands in Abbeville District (embracing the homestead) not otherwise
dispensed of to be divided by his disinterested men, together with the
following negroes, old Nancy and her children and the children
of her daughter Old Nancy and her children, and the children
of her daughters, also old Angilla, and her children and the
children of her daughters, also Simon and Isaac, and all other
 negroes not otherwise dispensed of in this my last Will, also
ten choice mules, and one mare Elgin and colt, and my half of a
Jack, also all my house hold and kitchen furniture wagons carts,
& all farming utensies, blacksmith tools corn fanner & grain
that may be on the place at the end of the year together with

Last Will & Testament of Joseph Waudaw, "Dec²

Cows hogs & all Stock not otherwise disposed of and any and all balance
of money that may be left of my Estate after all debts & expenses paid.
It is my will that if my Son Hugh W. Waudaw should die leaving
no wife or children then all the property real and personal be divided
between my Daughter Hemanet Whitlock and her children in the Trust
as hereafter named and my Son Benjamin F. Waudaw, or his heirs
I here in appoint Thomas C. Penin Trustee for my Daughter Hemanet
Whitlock & her children in case of the above contingency—
It is my will that in case of the death as above of my Son Hugh W. Waudaw
that my Son Benjamin F. Waudaw be given to Thomas C. Penin as Trustee
for my Daughter Hemanet Whitlock & her children—
I will under Trust to my Daughter Hemanet Whitlock and her children
all my Lands in Florida and all the negroes now in their possession
together with the following negroes, Abraham, Tatty and her children
Dick and his children Jane, Cynthia, Toby, and Riley, also Hemanet and
her children, and little Nancy and her Family or children together with
one half of all my Miles & horses not otherwise disposed of.

I here in appoint my Sons Hugh W. Waudaw, and Thomas
le Penin Esqr. Trustees of all property given to my Daughter Hemanet
Whitlock and her children,

I also will and bequeath to my Son Benjamin F. Waudaw, one half
of all my Lands in Abbeville District to be divided by Five distestered men
my Son Hugh W. Waudaw taking the homes & land into his half, also
I give to my Son Benjamin F. Waudaw, all the negroes now in
his possession together with little Nancy and her Children, also Washington
and his wife Cornelia, and her Children, also the whole of Lillys Family
Children and grand Children, born of Lillys daughter also my Blacksmith
Stephen also the remainder of my Miles & horses not otherwise
disposed of

I here in appoint and Ordain my Sons Hugh, W. Waudaw and
Thomas C. Penin Esq Executors to this my Last Will and Testaments
In witness whereof I have this day Signed my name and affixed my
Seal, signed and sealed this twenty second day of May in the year
of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred and Fifty two

In Presence of

W. G. Templeton

J. R. Elks

James Douglass
Henry Waudaw

Joseph, Waudaw

(Signed Dec 2nd)

Last Will & Testament of Joseph Wardlaw - Second

State of South Carolina (

Abbeville District

Personally came Henry H. Cresswell
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 Joseph
Wardlaw 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 W. P. Templeton, J. R. Ellis, & James Dougall 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.

Soon before me this Seventh
day of June 1852 F. W. Selleck C.A.D

{ Henry H. Cresswell

State of South Carolina (

Abbeville District

Having examined Henry H.
Cresswell one of the Subscribing witnesses
to the within Paper, and being satisfied that it is the true last Will
and Testament of Joseph Wardlaw; Ordered, that it be admitted to
Probate in common form. F. W. Selleck
Seventh June 1852 before me. C.A.D

State of South Carolina (

Abbeville District

Personally came Hugh, Esq. Wardlaw
not 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 Joseph Wardlaw and that he will well and
truly execute the same by paying first the debts and then the
legacies there contained, so far as the good and chattles will
extend, and the law charge him that he will make and return
on to 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 seventh June 1852 F. W. Selleck
C. A. D.

{ Hugh, Esq. Wardlaw

South Carolina (

F. W. Selleck Ordinary of the District
Abbeville District of said do herby certify that the foregoing
Pages contain a full true & correct copy of the last Will & Testament
of Joseph Wardlaw Esq. from the original, which is on file in my
office. F. W. Selleck C. A. D.

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Last Will & Testament of E Washington Hampton, Deceased

South Carolina Abbeville

District May 18th 1852

In the fear of God I Washington E Hampton
of the State and district above mentioned do
find that I am growing weak in Body but Strong in Mind I do leave this my
last Will and Testament in Token of the great love I have to Malinda, R.
Hampton my wife I leave her all my Personal Property and the Land wherein I now
Reside to Remain in her hands during her present life or Widow Hood she has
power to sell any of the Property entie all my just debts are paid if Malinda
Should Many I allow her an equal Share with all my children of the Personal
and Real Estate but if she Remains Single entie death I then want what is left of my
Estate to be Equally divided between my three Sons Thos. E. Hampton Will and, H. Hampton
and James J. Hampton also if my wife Malinda has a living child as she is now Pregnant
I design to make it Equal with my three Sons mentioned above - if there Should be any
thing obtained from my Father's Estate I wish it to be applies to the use of the
Family if my said widow can be preserved I leave it for my children Equally unto
her above them - I hereby appoint Wm. J. Miford to act as Executor to this
Will - witness my hand and seal this the Eighteenth day of our Lord eighteen hundred
and fifty two

E. W. Hampton

Signed by
William E. Hampton
John Miford
Wm. J. Miford

State of South Carolina

Abbeville District

Personally came William, S. Hampton
one of the Subscribers Witness to the within paper, and being sworn on the Holy
Evangelists of Almighty God, make oath that he was then personally present, and
did see E Washington Hampton 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 Miford & Wm. J. Miford together with
himself, and in the presence of the Testator, and in the presence of each other,
do sign their names as witnesses to the execution thereof.

Sworn before me, this 24th day
July 1852

G. W. Secc K
G. A. S

William, S. Hampton

Last Will & Testament of E Washington Hampton, deceased.

State of South Carolina
Aberdeen District

Having examined William, of Hampton one of
the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Paper
and being satisfied that it is the true last Will and Testament of E
Washington Hampton deceased "Ordered, that it be admitted to Probate in
common form."

24th day July 1852

F. W. Seelock O. A. D.

State of South Carolina
Aberdeen District

Personally came William of Melford
Executor named in the within Will and
being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, who on oath says
that the within paper is the true last Will of the said E Washington
Hampton deceased 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 you that you
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.

Sworn to before me,
this 24th July 1852

Wm. F. Melford

F. W. Seelock
O. A. D.

South Carolina
Aberdeen District

I, Frederick W. Seelock Ordinary of the
District aforesaid, do hereby certify that the foregoing page hereof
contains a full true & correct copy of the Last Will & Testament of
E. Washington Hampton deceased from the original, which is on
file in my office.

Given under my hand
F. W. Seelock Octd

Last Will & Testament of John Mc Neal, Deceased.

In the name of God Amor. I John Mc Neal of the District of Abbeville & State of South Carolina being of sound mind memory and Considering the uncertainty of this frail & transitory life do therefore make, ordain, Publish, and declare, this to be my last will & Testament, that is to say first after all my lawful debts are paid & discharged, the residue of my Estate Real & personal, I give bequeath & dispose of as follows to my beloved wife & Children the Land and appurtenances Situated thereon lying in Abbeville District South Carolina, now possessed by me, together with four negr Slaves, viz. Betsy, and her two children Henry & Gus and Tempy & together with Two of my best Horses All the Cattle & Hogs, belonging to me.
Likewise I make constitute and appoint My friend S.S. Marshall Executor until My Son Alexander Mc Neal shall become of age and then he to become sole executor thereby revoking all former Wills by me made,

On witness whereof I have hereunto Subscribed my name and affixed my Seal this the first day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred and fifty Two

Signed Sealed and Delivered
in the presence of us

Wm. H. May

W. G. Waller

W. W. Waller

Wm. H. May

W. G. Waller

State of South Carolina
Abbeville District

Personally came William May and William G. Waller two of the subscribing witnesses to the within paper, and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, makes oath that they were personally present and did see John Mc Neal 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 W. W. Waller 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.

Sworn to before me, this
4th day November 1862

F. D. Seelick

osd

Wm. H. May
W. G. Waller

Last Will & Testament of John McNeal, "Deceased"

State of South Carolina }
 Abbeville District }
 Having examined W^m. F. Map
 & W. G. Waller Two of the subscribers
 Witnesses to the within paper, and being satisfied that it is
 the true last Will and Testament of Thos McNeal Deceas;
 Ordered, that it be admitted to Probate in Common Court
 14th November 1852

F. W. Selleck
OAS

State of South Carolina }
 Abbeville District }
 Personally came Samuel S.
 Marshall 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 John McNeal Deceas; 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 District, a true Inventory and Appraisement
 of the Estate of the said deceased, within the time prescribed
 by law.

Sworn before me.

S. S. Marshall

4th day

November 1852

F. W. Selleck
OAS

South Carolina }
 Abbeville District }
 I F. W. Selleck Ordinary of the District
 aforesaid, do hereby Certify that the
 foregoing paper contains a full true & correct copy
 of the Last Will and Testament of John McNeal Deceas;
 from the Original which is on file in my office
 Given under my hand Seal Se.

Last Will & Testament of Mary Douglop, "deceased."

In the Name of God Amem I Mary Douglop of the State of South Carolina & of Abbeville District being of sound mind & disposing memory do make & ordain this my last will & Testament To wit

1st It is my will & desire that all my just debts be paid

2 I give & Bequeath to my Grand Daughter Mary Pert daughter of Sarah Pert, my Bed & Bedstead.

3 The balance of my Estate, I will & direct to be sold & the proceeds thereof and all Bonds & ready money to be divided into seven equal shares & to each of my Sons John Douglop, William Douglop & James Douglop, I will & Bequeath one share, To my Grand Children John Henry Waits & (Infant child) Mary Waits, I will and Bequeath one share, I will & bequeath to Dr Ephraim R. Calhoun in trust for my four Grand Children, Wm Pert, Nancy Pert & Rebecca Pert, Children of my deceased Daughter Elizabeth Pert, to be appropriated for their benefit as the said Dr Ephraim R. Calhoun may think best. The other two shares, I will & bequeath to Dr Ephraim R. Calhoun in trust, for my two Daughters Peggy Anderson & Sarah Pert, in equal shares, not subject to the debts contracted by themselves or Husbands, and on case of the death of their respective Husbands or either of them, the share held in trust as aforesaid, for my daughters, the wife of such deceased, to be paid over to her, to be enjoyed free from trust. But should one or both die before her Husband, then it is my will & desire that the said share, be held as aforesaid in trust by the said Dr Ephraim R. Calhoun, for the children of such deceased Daughter & appropriate for their benefit as the Trustee may think best.

Should one or more of my Grand Children die before he or she gets possession of his or her part, then it is my will & desire that such share or shares be equally divided between his or her Brothers and Sisters, if any, but if not, to be divided between the rest of my Legatees, precisely as though it were a part of my Estate I do hereby Appoint Dr Ephraim R. Calhoun Execut of this my last Will & Testament & charge him with the faithful execution thereof In test among whereof I have hereunto set my mark seal, as my hand seal this the 24th day of May, In the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred fifty one

A. M. Gant
R. G. Golding
Benjamin Blackerby

Mary ^{her} Douglop D
Mark

Last Will & Testament of Mary Douglaſ Deceased

State of South Carolina

Abbeville District *P*ersonally came Benjamin Blackerby 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 Mary Douglaſ sign, seal, publish, pronounce, and declare, the within paper to be her 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 A. McLean and R. G. Golding 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. I now before me,

This 8th November 1852

Benjamin Blackerby

F. W. Selleck

Attest

State of South Carolina *H*aving examined Benjamin Blackerby Abbeville District *P*ersonally one of the subscribing witnesses to the within paper, and being satisfied that it is the true last will and testament of Mary Douglaſ dec̄d. Ordain, that it be admitted to probate in common form. Frederick W. Selleck
Nov 8th 1852 Attest

State of South Carolina *P*ersonally came Ephraim R. Leachour Abbeville District *B*orn 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 Mary Douglaſ dec̄d 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 District, a true Inventory and Appraisement of the Estate of the said deceased within the time prescribed by law.

8th Nov 1852

E. R. Leachour

F. W. Selleck Attest

South Carolina

Abbeville District *I* F. W. Selleck Ordinary of the District aforesaid, do hereby certify that the foregoing pages contain a full true and correct copy of the last will and testament of Mary Douglaſ dec̄d, from the original which is on file in my office.

Oath of Executing in the Matter of W^m Means Will

State of South Carolina
 Abbeville District I Personally came Sally Means Executrix 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 William Means - deceased and that she will well and truly execute the
 same, by paying first the debts and then the Legacies therein contained
 so far as the sum and chattles will extend, and the law charges her
 that she 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.

Swear to before me,

this 13th day November
 1852

Frederick W. Selleck
 attd

Last Will & Testament of W. E. Watson, deceased

The last will and testament of William Edward Watson of the
 District of Abbeville and State of South Carolina.

I William E. Watson considering the uncertainty of this mortal
 life and being of sound mind and memory 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 and my
 body to the earth to be buried as directed in the last will and
 Testament of Father James F. Watson deceased. Also I will and
 desire that in consideration of my gratitude to my mother
 Margaret Watson and of her care and attention to myself in
 my affliction that she have for her use and benefit during
 her natural life my servant boy Jim, bequeathed to me over
 and above my distributive share of my Father's estate, and
 after her decease, the said boy Jim to revert back as a part
 of my Father's estate, and to my brother and sisters as
 provided in the last will and Testament of my Father.
 Lastly, I hereby appoint my trusty friend Larkin Reynolds
 Executor of this my last will and Testament.

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

Signed sealed & declared to be my last will and
 Testament in the presence of

W. P. Hill
 Hugh W. Wardlaw
 W. T. Templeton

W. E. Watson

Last Will & Testament of W^m. E. Watson, deceased

State of South Carolina }
Abbeville district }

Personally came Hugh W. Wardlaw
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 William E. Watson 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 W. P. Hill and W. T. Templeton
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.

Hugh. W. Wardlaw

Sure to before me, this 11th

day Decr 1852 F. W. Selleck

O. A. D.

State of South Carolina }

Abbeville district }

Having examined Hugh
W. Wardlaw one of the subscribing witnesses to the within
paper, and being satisfied that it is the true last Will
and Testament of W^m. E. Watson deceased "Ordered that it
be admitted to Probate in Common form

Dec^r 11th 1852

Fredrick W. Selleck

O. A. D.

South Carolina }

Abbeville district }

I F. W. Selleck Ordinary for district aforesaid
do hereby certify that the foregoing pages contain a full true
and correct copy of the last will and testament of W^m. E. Watson
deceased, from the original which is on file in my office.

Given under my hand and seal the

Copy of Last Will & Testament of Nathaniel A Lyon, decd.

Cass County G October 11th 1852
 State of Georgia I Nathaniel Lyon, do make this as my
 last will & Testament,

I give & bequeath all my property real
 and personal to my only full sister Mary Ann Walker.

W H Felton

A J Weems

John Felton

Nat A Lyon
 mark

State of Georgia —
 Cass County —

Before me Thos A Word, ordinary for
 said County, personally came W H Felton
 and A J Weems (in vacation) two of the subscribing witnesses to
 the foregoing instrument, or Testament, who being sworn, say
 that they saw the Testator Nathaniel Lyon, sign, seal, declare
 and publish the foregoing as his last will and Testament
 freely, voluntarily, and of his own accord, and without any
 compulsion or influence whatever, that at the time of the
 execution of the said, said Testator was of sound and dispo-
 sing mind and memory, that deponents signed said will as
 witnesses in the presence of each other, from time to an subscriber
 before me, this 15th inst 1852

Thos A Word

Ordinary

W H Felton

A J Weems

Ordinary's office 15th inst 1852 - The last will and Testament
 of Nathaniel Lyon decd having been proved this day before
 me. It is ordered that the same be admitted to Record

Thos A Word

ordinary

State of Georgia —

Cass County I Thomas A Word ordinary in & for said
 State and County do hereby certify that the
 foregoing is a true transcript of the last will and
 Testament of Nathaniel Lyon late of Said County deceased
 also, a true transcript of the Probate or each of two of
 the subscribing witnesses to the said will and Testament
 who were duly qualified before me, given under my
 hand and seal of office, this 22nd December 1852

Thos A Word

Ordinary
 Cass County Georgia



Copy of Will of Nathaniel N. Pyron deceased

South Carolina Σ
 Abbeville District Σ Being satisfied that the foregoing
 is a duly authenticated Copy of the
 Last will of Nathaniel N. Pyron, It is ordered that Letters
 of Administration be issued to Filmaw A Walker
 on said Estate.

Fredenc D. W. Greek
 Esq.

Last Will & Testament of Lucy Somase deceased

State of South Carolina Σ
 Abbeville District Σ

I Lucy Somase being of
 sound and disposing mind do make this my last
 Will & Testament

I desire all my just debts to be paid,

I give and bequeath to my beloved nephew Warren G
 Somase the following named Slaves, to wit, Ann, Aaron
 Jack, Lucy, Manuel, Waddy & Rose, and the increase of the
 female slaves, if any, in Trust, nevertheless, to and for the
 sole & separate use of Nancy Minnith for and during
 her natural life, and at her death, to my said nephew
 W G Somase, and his heirs forever.

All the rest and residue of my estate both real and
 personal, Cash, and Chores in action of which I may
 die seized I hope, be the same my property now
 or to be hereafter acquired, I give, devise and bequeath
 to my said nephew Warren G Somase, to him and his
 heirs forever.

I appoint my nephew Warren G Somase the Executor
 of this my last will signed & published this sixteenth
 day of Dec A D 1852 by her

and also attested in my
 presence by

I H Wilson

David Keller

H M Wardlaw

Lucy Somase -

Last Will & Testament of Lucy Pomare, deceased.

State of South Carolina

Abbeville District $\frac{3}{3}$ Person ally Came Ino H Wilson
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 Lucy
Pomare sign, seal, publish, pronounce, and declare the
within paper to 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 David Heller and H M Wardlaw 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.

Sworn before me this

I, H, Wilson

17th day of January 1853

Frederick W. Selleck

O.A.L.

State of South Carolina

Having examined Ino H Wilson,
Abbeville District $\frac{3}{3}$ one of the subscribing witnesses to
the within paper, and being satisfied that it is the true last
will and Testament of Lucy Pomare deceased, "Ordered, that
it be admitted to probate in Common Form,
17th January 1853" $\frac{3}{3}$

Frederick W. Selleck

O.A.L.

State of South Carolina

Abbeville District $\frac{3}{3}$ Personally Came Warren G. Somar
executed 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 Lucy Pomare deceased
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 the he will make and return into the
office of the Office of the Orphanage, 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,

17th January 1853

Frederick W. Selleck

O.A.L.

W. G. Somar

Last Will & Testament of Elizabeth Gillam, deceased

South Carolina

Horry County District ~~E~~ In the name of God Amen. I Elizabeth

Gillam of the District and State aforesaid
being of sound disposing mind and memory but aged &
infirm do make this my last will and Testament in
Manner & form following to wit-

First I give and bequeath unto my Great Grand daughter
Schoppert my bed beasted furniture
Secondly - I give and bequeath unto Mary B Schoppert
My grand daughter my Chest now at the house of
H B Higgins.

Thirdly - I give and bequeath unto Elizabeth Gillam
the daughter of William Gillam my Friend now at
the house of H B Higgins.

Fourthly - It is my will and desire that all my hearing
apparrel be divided into two equal parts - the one part
to be delivered to P Schoppert for the use of his Children
the other part to be delivered to William Gillam for the
use of his Children.

Fifthly - It is also my desire that all my notes, bonds,
Chases in action, shall be collected; and that all the
rest residue & remainder of my estate should be sold
and after the payment of my just debts that the
proceeds of the whole should be divided into two
equal parts, the one part to be paid over to P
Schoppert for the use & benefit of his Children, and
the other part to be paid over to William Gillam for
the use & benefit of his Children.

Sixthly - I do hereby nominate, constitute & appoint
my friends H B Higgins and H C Caldwell executors to
this my last will & testament. In witness whereof I
have hereunto set my hand & seal this the second
day of May in the year of our lord one thousand
eight hundred and thirty six

Signed Sealed & published

in the presence of us, as and for the

last will & testament of the testatrix

who at her request and in her presence

& the presence of each other signed our

names & witnesses

M W Gracey

L S Sunder

William O'Connor

C Gillam

BB

Last Will & Testament of Elizabeth Gilliam Decrano.

South Carolina —
Abbeville District & In the Court of Ordinary

Personally appeared William O'Conner
in the Court of Ordinary and being duly sworn saith
that he saw Elizabeth Gilliam now deceased sign a
paper as her last will and testament bearing date
2nd May A.D. 1836 — that the will was executed at William
Gilliams in Newberry District. Mrs Elizabeth Gilliam
was in sound and disposing mind and memory and well
knew what she was doing. The will was signed in a
room where all the witnesses were present. Mrs Gilliam
signed the will first, then Minoo W Gracy & L S Swindler
and then this witness, Mrs Gilliam was present at the table
and saw all the witnesses sign the paper, and said it was
her will — This witness saw all the signatures made to
the paper, The signatures of Minoo W Gracy and L S
Swindler are familiar to this witness, and he well knows
the hands writing. Both these witnesses are now beyond
the limits of this State — Gracy in Alabama. Swindler in
Texas —

Swear to before me this 20th

day January 1853 —

Fredrick W Seelock

C. A. D.

W. O'Conner

South Carolina —
Abbeville District — In Court of Ordinary —
Execution, William O'Conner — By Genl M Gower for
will. Witness does not know who wrote the paper,
William Gilliam, of Newberry District, at whose house paper was
signed. Presented the will for signature & requested witness to
sign as a witness. Cannot remember whether the paper was
read or not. It was not written upon the occasion upon
which it was signed. The paper was produced for signature
by Wm. Gilliam. The Testatrix was old & feeble. From her ap-
pearance witness would suppose that Testatrix was at least
Eighty years of age at the time the paper was executed. Would
think she was competent to make a will at that time.
Could not say who wrote the body of the paper. Testatrix
saw the witnesses sign the paper as witnesses. He thinks
(Admitted by the parties in interest) that Testatrix died
between Dec 1851 & Aug 1853 —

(James Gower)

Last Will & Testament of Elizabeth Gillam, Dec^r

South Carolina In Court Ordinary
Abbeville District

Having examined William O'Conor
the only subscribing witness living within the limits of
this State, to a paper purporting to be the last will
& Testament of Mrs Elizabeth Gillam, Dec^r, and being
satisfied that it is her last will & Testament,
"Ordered that it be admitted to probate in due form
of law-

22 January 1853

Frederick W. Selleck
C.A.LL

Last Will & Testament of Littleberry Burnett, Dec^r.

State of South Carolina
Abbeville District
I Littleberry Burnett of the aforesaid
and State aforesaid being of sound and disposing mind &
Memory make this as my last will & Testament revoking
all others, 1st I desire all my just debts be paid
2^d I desire my wife Sarah have a support while she remains
a widow and should she marry again, then I desire all my property
valued both real & personal and she draw an Equal Share with each
of my Children to have & enjoy the Benefits & use of the same during her natu-
ral life time then be Equally Divided between my Heirs -

3rd I desire all my property to be kept together until the youngest
Child becomes of age, provided however as the oldest Child
Child becomes of age the property to be valued and he
draw an Equal Share of the same, and so on
with the next oldest down to the youngest.

4th I desire I give the Legacy above mentioned in
the second Clause of this will as given unto my wife
to be in Lieu of all her Claims of Dower to which she
might be entitled to in my estate

5th Should my executors at any time before the youngest
Child becomes of age believe it to be for the Interest
of my heirs to sell any part or all my property
they may have full power under this clause to do so
6th I hereby nominate & appoint my friend John R. Vanant
& Thomas Nichols my Executors to this my last will
In witness whereof I hereby set my hand and seal
this 12th day of October one thousand Eight hundred
fifty two - signed in the presence of us, by the testator
and by us in the presence of the testator each other

Witness
R. W. Stewart
Donaire Monell
J. L. Fennell

L. Burnett

Last Will & Testament of Littlebury Burnett, Deceased.

State of South Carolina \exists Person ally Came Jonathan
 Abbeville District \exists & Person ally Came John A. Chan
 Morell one of the Subscribing witness to the within paper
 And being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty
 God, makes oath that he was Person ally present,
 and did see, Littlebury Burnett 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 & belief that it
 W. Stewart and I. C. Pennell 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 28th
 Decr 1852 \exists Jonathan Morell
 Frederick W. Selleck
 attested

State of South Carolina \exists
 Abbeville District \exists Having examined Jonathan
 Morell one of the Subscribing witnesses to the within paper, and
 being satisfied that it is the true last will and testament of
 Littlebury Burnett... ordered, that it be admitted to Probate
 in Common Form. \exists Frederick W. Selleck
 28th December 1852 \exists Q. A. L.

State of South Carolina \exists
 Abbeville District \exists Person ally Came John R. Tanant
 & Thos Nichols 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 Littlebury
 Burnett 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 -

Sworn to before me,
 this 28th December 1852 \exists
 Frederick W. Selleck
 Q. A. L.

Jno R Tanant
 Thos Nichols

Last Will & Testament of John Basskins, Deceased.

South Carolina
 Abbeville District of I John Basskin of the District and State
 aforesaid being of sound and disposing mind memory and understand-
 ing do make and ordain this my last will and Testament
 revoking and disannulling all Wills or Testaments by me
 heretofore made—

1st As soon after my decease as practicable I direct that
 all my just debts and funeral expenses be paid by my executors
 hereafter named, out of such money as I may leave at my
 death and of that be not sufficient by the sale of such
 of my live Stock and other perishable property not hereby
 specifically divided as can be best spared—

2^d I give and bequeath to my daughter in law Jane Basskin
 the wife of my deceased son Francis Basskin the use benefit
 & Control of a negro Girl, Mary, until my death when
 the said Girl is to be returned unto my estate and disposed
 of as will be mentioned in an other Clause—

3rd It is my will that after my son Jas S. Basskin accounts
 to my estate the amounts due me by money advanced by
 me on his account that my Son Jas S. Basskin shall
 hold and retain the property in fee simple purchased
 by me in foreclosue of a mortgage consisting of a tract
 of Land containing six hundred and thirty acres on
 which he now lives and ten negroes Prue Phelis,
 Sarah her two Children, Emily, Richard, Amanda Henry,
 Rose, Andy, Oliver and Becca,

4th I give Denise and bequeath to my daughter Jane
 & Charles, Mary & Martha M. Basskin two feather Beds
 Furniture to each and also two Cows and Calves to each, and
 also to them jointly I leave my Barnack and two horses
 that work to it.

5th I give Denise bequeath to my grand daughter Jane
 C. Basskin and Margaret Cook each one feather bed
 and Furniture.

6th It is my will and desire that at my death all the
 negroes together with their increase that I have loaned to
 my Children shall be returned and appraised with my
 other negroes property and then divided into seven
 shares as near equal as possible. Thus each Legatee
 choosing one man and thus over to divide into lots
 as above stated and to chose Legatees to whom negroes
 have been loaned may take them at the appraisement
 but the boy may if he be appraised without regard to
 his having a trade as I wish my Daughter Sarah and
 the sole benefit of his trade—

Last Will & Testament of John Baskin Deceased

I give diverse and bequeath as follows - one lot to Jane the widow of J^r Y Baskin, and one lot to Jas S. Baskin and one lot to Susannah Simpson separate and apart from her husband and not subject to his payment or future debts in any manner whatever and one lot to Isabella McBride precisely on the same conditions and in the same way as the above lot to Susannah Simpson - one lot to Jane Harkness, one other to Mary and one other to Martha m^r Baskin but in case of either of them should die intestate or without Godly heirs then such lot or lots to return to the surviving Brothers & Sisters -

It is my will and desire that the Heirs of my deceased daughter Margaret Cook Children namely, John James Cook I give and bequeath each five dollars for their separate use and benefit To Jane m^r and Margaret Cook I give and bequeath to each six hundred dollars for their separate use and benefit with this provision that the said amount is to be in Trust to my Executors for the benefit of the above named Heirs without reference to any future Husband It is my will and desire that the tract of Land on which I now live Containing Two Hundred and four acres be sold by my Executors and I do hereby empower my executors to sell and make title for the same to the Purchasers and all the rest or residue or balance of my estate of whatever kind or description that may not heretofore be willed with all money &c be equally divided between Jane Baskin, Jas S Baskin, Susannah Simpson, Isabella McBride Jane Harkness Mary & Martha Baskin All of which fore going I have given to them as above stated for ever and finally I do hereby appoint my son Jas S Baskin & Dr. Verborough Jointly Executors of this my last will and Testament In witness whereof I have here unto set my hand and Seal this nineteenth day of January eight hundred and fifty three -

A. Wm. Wm. Wm. Wm.
Dr. Wm. Wm. Wm. Wm.
I. C. Wm. Wm. Wm. Wm.

John Baskin

Last Will & Testament of John Bastin

State of South Carolina Abbeville District Personally Came John E. Ulwick 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 the said Bastin do 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 understandings to the best of his knowledge and belief - that he witnesseth and doth to Porter, together with himself, and in the presence of the testator, and in the presence of each other do sign their names as witnesses to the due execution thereof.

Swear before me, this
28th January 1853
Frederick W. Selleck
Q.S.C.

John, E. Ulwick

State of South Carolina Abbeville District Having examined John E. Ulwick, one of the subscribing witnesses to the within paper, and being satisfied that it is the last will and testament of John Bastin deceased, Ordered that it be admitted to Probate in Common form
January 28th 1853. Frederick W. Selleck
Q.S.C.

State of South Carolina Abbeville District Personally Came James S. Bastin one of the 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 John Bastin deceased 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 Ordinandy, of the said District, a true Inventory and Appraisement of the Estate of the said deceased, within the time prescribed by law -

Swear to before me,
28th January 1853

J.S. Bastin

Frederick W. Selleck
Q.S.C.

Last Will & Testament of John Webb "Deceased."

South Carolina } In the name of God Amew!
 Abbeville District } I John Webb of the State and District aforesaid being weak of
 body but of perfect mind and memory and knowing the uncertainty
 of life and the Certainty of Death, doth make and ordain this to be my last will and
 Testament as to what worldly Goods it has pleased God to bless me with I desirous of
 in the manner and form following

- Item 1st I will Bequeath and Devise to my beloved wife the house and plantation whereon we now
 live and every thing pertaining to the same during her natural life Except so much as
 may be otherwise directed hereafter, And also that the house and all the land adjoining
 it on that side of the Creek on which the house is to be and remain in the possession of
 my Daughter Mary Should she remain single after her Mothers Death Should she
 marry previous to that time it is my will and desire that she be made equal with the
 rest of my Daughters and also that she have the Cupboard and contents and one Table
 at her Mothers Death and in order to make her equal with the rest of my married
 Daughters I have that she have a horse and Saddle or the price of them in money also
 one Cow and Calf.
- " 2nd I will and Bequeath to my Daughter Permelia H Webb one Cow & Calf when she marries
 also that she have a home on the Place with her Mother or Sister Mary as long as she remains
 Single or chooses to Remain.
- " 3rd I will Bequeath and Devise to my Son John Webb One hundred Acres of Land whereon he
 now lives.
- " 4th I desire that my Executors procure a Head Stone for my Daughter Hannah and also
 one for her Child
- Item 5th I will and Bequeath to my Grandson John Marshall Webb Son of Andrew Webb and
 Bureau at the Death of my wife.
- " 6th It is my will and desire that after the death of my Wife that all the remainder and
 residue of my estate whether real or Personal be sold and after paying all my just debts
 and the aforesaid Legacies be equally Divided between all my Children now living
 And Lastly I constitute and appoint My Brother in law John Miller and Samuel Daniels
 the Lawfull Executors of this my last will and Testament, Rooking all wills heretofore made by
 me Signed Sealed published and Declared in presence of us who have subscribed our
 names as witnesses in presence of the testator, this 21st day of July in the year of our
 Lord one thousand eight hundred and Forty six and in the Seventy first year of the
 Independence of the United States of America

Witnesses present

That Branyan {

Robert M^cAdams {

James Elgin }

John Webb 

State of South Carolina } Personally came Robert M^cAdams one of the subscribing
 Abbeville District } Witnesses to this paper and being sworn on the Holy
 Evangelist of Almighty God makes oath that he was personally present and
 did see John Webb sign seal publish and 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
 Thomas Branyan & James Elgin together with himself and in the presence of the

Last Will and Testament of John Webb Dec'd. Cont.

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

Sworn before me this 19th day of February 1853
J W Selleck

Robert McAdams

O. A. S.

State of South Carolina
Abbeville District

Having examined Robert McAdams one of the
Subscribing Witnesses to the within paper and being satisfied
that it is the true last will and Testament of John Webb dec'd Ordered that
it be admitted to Probate in Common form.

J. W. Selleck

19th Feby 1853

O. A. S.

State of South Carolina
Abbeville District

Personally came John Miller & Saul Donaldson
named in the within Will and being sworn on the Holy
Evangelist of Slaughtly God upon Oath says that the within paper is the
true last Will of the said John Webb dec'd, 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

Sworn to before me this 19 February 1853

J W Selleck

O. A. S.

John Miller
Saul Donaldson

Last Will & Testament of Marsa Posey Dec'd

South Carolina
Abbeville District

Namely

In the name of God Amen!

I Marsa Posey of said State and District being
of sound disposing mind and memory but of weak body do make and
declare this to be my last will and testament hereby revoking all other wills by
me heretofore made.

- 1st Item " I wish all my just debts paid
- 2nd Item " From whatever estate real personal or choses in action or money I may die
possessed of I will and bequeath after payment of my debts the sum of one hundred
Dollars to my grandson Benjamin William Posey the son of Benjamin V Posey: to be
paid to my said grandson before other legacies
- 3rd Item " After payment of my debts and the legacy of one hundred dollars aforesaid
I will and bequeath all the balance of my estate real personal choses in action
and money to my two sons John W Posey and Charles Posey to be equally divided share and share alike

Last Will and Testament of Maria Posey Decd. Continued

4th Item "And should my son Henson Posey die before me I will and bequeath if my said son Henson should die before me leaving no children living at his death the largest and legacy given to him as above in the third Item to my said Grandson Benjamin William Posey.

5th Item "I appoint Benjamin V Posey my said the Executor of this my last will and testament.

Signed sealed made published

executed and delivered by Maria Posey
to be her last will and testament in presence
of us this sixth March A.D. 1853

Benjamin V Posey
Holt C Wilkinson
A. A. Williams

Maria her
Mark



State of South Carolina } Personally came Benjamin V Posey one of the subscribing
Abbeville District } 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 Maria Posey sign seal publish pronounced
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 Holt C Wilkinson and A A Williams 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
Sworn before me this 16th March }

1853.

F W Selleck

O. A. D.

Benjamin V Posey

State of South Carolina }

Abbeville District }

Having examined Benjamin V Posey one of the subscribing
Witnesses to the within paper and being satisfied that it is
the true last Will and Testament of Maria Posey .. Ordered that it be admitted
to probate in common form

16th March 1853 }

F W Selleck

O. A. D.

State of South Carolina }

Abbeville District }

Personally came Benjamin V Posey Exec named in the within
and being duly sworn on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God upon oath says that the within
paper is the true last will of the said Maria Posey Decd and that she 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 District a true Inventory and Appraisement
of the Estate of the said deceased within the time prescribed by law
Sworn before me 16th March 1853

F W Selleck

O. A. D.

B V Posey

Last Will and Testament of Dr A B Arnold Decd

South Carolina
Abbeville Dist.

In the name of God Amen ---

I D^r Alexander B Arnold of the Village of Goudersville and State & District aforesaid being sick and feeble in body but of sound mind and good memory do hereby make this my last Will and Testament as follows

1st I will that all my just and lawfull debts shall be first paid.

2nd I will and bequeath unto my niece (whom I have raised) Elizabeth Gant a Negro Girl named Sibby about 10 years of age - this Child with her increase or offspring to be the sole property of the said Elizabeth Gant and the lawful heir of her body and not subject to the debts or debts of any person or persons whomsoever (except any debt which she may in propria persona contract).

3rd I will that the residue of my property should be held by my wife during her life or widowhood and at the expiration of either, the one half of the property shall go to my nephew Alexander B Cochran the other half to be at the disposal of my wife to do with as she may think best.

4th I wish and desire that John Speer Esqr and Dr W R Saunders should carry out the true intent and meaning of this instrument
Signed and Sealed this the 22 day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred and fifty one and in the presence of the following persons,

J. W. Gant

John Scuday

Sam'l Lindsey

A B Arnold

State of South Carolina
Abbeville District

Personally came Thomas W Gant 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 Dr A B Arnold sign seal publish pronounced 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 Scuday and Sam'l Lindsey 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

Swns before me this 31st day
March 1853.

Thos W. Gant

J W Wedlock

O. A. J.

State of South Carolina
Abbeville District

Having examined Thomas W Gant one of the subscribing witnesses to the within paper and being satisfied that it is the true last will and Testament of

Last Will and Testament of Dr A B Arnold Decd. Continued

To A B Arnold. Ordered that it be admitted to probate in common form.
31st day of March 1853 }
Frederick Willeck
Q. A. O.

Last Will and Testament of Jane Harper, deceased.

The State of South Carolina }
Abbeville District }

In the name of God

I Jane Harper of the District and State aforesaid do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking and annulling all other Wills by me made.

1st

2nd

I will and direct my Executrix to pay all my just debts.

I will and direct and authorize my Executrix herein after named to sell and dispose of all my Real Estate together with all my Household and Kitchen furniture and the proceeds thereof to be divided equally among my Children William C Harper Martha T Caldwel (widow) James C Harper Lydia R. A. Harper Henry C D Harper and the children of John A C Harper and Mrs Sarah C McRae Share and share alike to them their heirs general assign forever the children of John A C Harper and Mrs Sarah C McRae as a class to receive respectively one and one seventh part thereof

3rd

I will and direct my Executrix to divide all the money I have on hand Bonds, Single Bills Mortgages Notes cases in action and debt due to me which I may own and possess equally between my children and Grand Children as provided for and entered in the foregoing clause,

4th

I will and bequeath my negro girl Margaret to the children of John A C Harper to be held in trust by their Father John A C Harper (of the State of Georgia) for them their heirs and assigns forever The deed of conveyance to be made by my Executrix

Last Will and Testament of Jane Harper Decd^d Continued

5th

The shares and accounts bequeathed and coming to the Children of John A. H. Harper and to the Children of Mrs Sarah H. McEhee I will and direct my Executors to invest in negroes to convey to John A. H. Harper and Dr James H. McEhee (both of the State of Georgia) in trust respectively for the Children of John A. H. Harper and said Sarah H. McEhee to them their heirs and assigns forever.

16th

All the rest and residue and remainder of my Estate if any there be I will and bequeath to my Children and Grand Children as aforesaid to be divided equally between them to them their heirs and assigns forever.
I do hereby appoint nominate and constitute my son Henry C. H. Harper Executor of this my last will and Testament.

7th

In Witness whereof I do hereunto sign my name and affix my seal this the Twenty third day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty three (1853)

signed and sealed in our presence
who in the presence of Testatrix have
subscribed our names as witnesses thereto
Alex Oliver
W F Clarke sales
Ezekiel P Speed

Jane Harper (Seal)

Concile to the foregoing Will of Jane Harper. Provided my son John A. H. Harper and my daughter Sarah H. McEhee should prefer bearing the Legacy which I have bequeathed their Children in the foregoing Will it is my Will and desire that John A. H. Harper take and have the Legacy bequeathed to the Children of John A. H. Harper and that Sarah H. McEhee take and have the Legacy bequeathed to the Children of Sarah H. McEhee to them their heirs and assigns forever.

Witness my hand and seal this the twenty third day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred and fifty three (1853)

Executed in our presence who in
the presence of Testatrix here
subscribed our names as witnesses
thereto. Alex Oliver
Ezekiel P Speed
W F Clarke sales

Jane Harper (Seal)

State of South Carolina
Abbeville District
Witnessed to the paper and being sworn on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God makes oath that he was personally present and did see Jane Harper sign seal publish premises and declare the within paper to be her last Will and Testament & Concile and that the Testatrix was of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding to the best of his knowledge and belief - that Alexander Oliver and W F Clarke sales together with himself and in the presence of the Testatrix

Last Will and Testament of Jane Harper Dec'd Cautious

and in the presence of each other did sign their names witnesses to the due execution thereof.

Sworn before me this 14 May
1853 F. W. Selleck
 Q. A. J.

O. P. Speed

State of South Carolina
Abbeville District

Having examined Ozyekiel Speed one of the subscribers witnessed to the within paper and being satisfied that it is the true last will and Testament of Jane Harper deceased
Ordered that it be admitted to probate in common form.

14 May 1853

F. W. Selleck
Q. A. J.

State of South Carolina
Abbeville District

Percually named Henry H. B. Harper Executor named
in the within Will and being sworn on the Holy Evangelic
of Almighty God upon oath says that the within paper is the true last Will of
the said Jane Harper 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 District a true Inven-
tory and appraisement of the Estate of the said deceased within the time
prescribed by law.

Sworn to before me this 14 May 1853
F. W. Selleck
Q. A. J.

H. H. B. Harper

Last Will & Testament & Codicil of Frances White dec'd

South Carolina
Abbeville District

In the name of God amen

I Frances White being of sound disposing mind and
memory but calling to mind that it is appointed for all men to die do make
and Ordain this my last will and Testament in manner following viz
"I desire all my just debts paid,
first - second" I have heretofore placed in the hands of my trusty friend Thos J. Lyon

Last Will & Testament or Codicil of Frances White Cates

Second, Contd my Notes and accounts, a Pewter or Lead Warrant which I am on account of my beloved son James M White now deceased and a young Chestnut horse to be sold by him as my Attorney I have also heretofore authorized the said Thos J Lyon to let to him my negroes - Mrark Lewis and Randolph. Now the proceeds of the foregoing property together with all accumulations of Interest & after deducting all necessary expences I desire to be equally divided between my four Grand Children - Frances Gillow Harrison, Ann Virginia Harrison, Mary Dougmore Harrison & James White Harrison. They are and shall alike.

Third "I hereby nominate constitute and appoint Thomas J Lyon my trusty friend Executor of this my last will and testament."

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this Eleventh day of February Anno Domini 1851

Signed sealed and Executed in
presence of - Adam Wideman
R. W. Giles
John P. Gattabam

Frances White

(S)

Codicil

Whereas heretofore I Frances White signed sealed and delivered a paper as my last will and testament which was sealed up and delivered in to the hands of Thomas J Lyon and whereas I have found that will does not dispose of certain Personal Property of which I am possessed. Now I do hereby make this my Codicil to the said last will and testament and I desire that the articles herein after named "to wit" I give one Bed and Furniture and a silver Salt Specie to my Grand Daughter Emma Pauline Evans I give and bequeath my Family Testament to my Daughter Hesiah Evans and three Silver Table Spoons that has been in the family for over a century I give to my three Grand Daughters "to wit" Frances Gillow Harrison, Ann Virginia Harrison and my Mary Dougmore Harrison the balance of my effects - Goods and Chattels to be sold and to be equally divided between my four Grand Children to wit Frances Gillow, Ann Virginia, Mary Dougmore and James White Harrisons. All money that may accumulate in the hands of my Friend & Executor Thos J Lyon to remain in his hands until they because of age or marry I also constitute and appoint Thomas J Lyon my Executor of this my Codicil to my last will and testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this May Sixteenth Eighteen Hundred and Fifty Two

Witnesses

Frances White

(S)

Adam Wideman
Anthony Harmon
R. W. Giles

State of South Carolina } Personally saw Robert W Giles one of the subscribing
Abbeville District } to the within paper and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists

Last Will & Testament & Codicil of Frances White deceased Conting

of Almighty God makes oath that he was personally present and did see Frances White sign seal publish pronounce and declare the within papers to be her last Will and Testament & Codicil and that the Testatrix was of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding to the best of his knowledge and belief - that Adam Wideman John F. Quattbaum and Anthony Sharman 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.

Sworn before me this 17th day June 1853

F. W. Selleck

O. A. D.

R. W. Liles

State of South Carolina

Abbeville District } Swearing examined R. W. Liles one of the subscribing witnesses to the within papers and being satisfied that it is the true last Will and Testament of Frances White deceased Ordered that it be admitted to probate in common form

Frederick W. Selleck

O. A. D.

17 June 1853

State of South Carolina

Abbeville District } Personally came Thomas J. Lyon Exec't named in the within Will and Codicil and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God upon oath says that the within paper is the true last Will & Codicil of the said Francis White deceased 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 Oranis-try 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 17 June 1853

Frederick W. Selleck

O. A. D.

Thos. J. Lyon

Last Will and Testament of John McBryde.

Abbeville District S^t Carolina 12th Nov^r 1853.

In the name of God Amen. I John McBryde of the state & District aforesaid being now in weak & feeble health, but of sound mind & memory, thanks to God for the same, do now make this my last Will & Testament.

First. I direct that all my just debts be punctually paid. I will & bequeath to my loving daughter Jane who has nursed and cared for me by day & by night through my declining health, all my plantation of land, on the North side of the Spring branch. Two beds & furniture, One Cow & Calf (first choice) One small hunk. The fattening hogs of this year, One hundred bushels Corn, One thousand pounds fodder, Two bibles All the house furniture, including Clock, Cooking Utensils & Poultry. I will & bequeath to my loving son Josiah one bed & furniture, One Cow & Calf my saddle & the stock of sheep. I will and bequeath to my Grandson John McBryde all my plantation of land on South side of Spring branch. I will & bequeath to my Grandson John Andrew McBryde Twenty dollars in cash. I desire my negro woman Ruth with remaining property not specified sold & the proceeds equally divided among all my loving Children, Thomas, Joseph, James, Samuel, Josiah, and Jane McBryde. And I appoint my trusty friend Andrew McFie, Executor of this my last Will & Testament

John McBryde.

Signed Sealed & executed in presence of

Ge^r W^r Preply
Witnesses. George Mc Young.
Simpson Evans

South Carolina

Abbeville District } Personally came George Mc Young one of the subscribing witnesses to the paper, and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, makes oath that he was personally present and did see John McBryde, sign, seal, publish, pronounce and declare the paper to be his last will and Testament, and that the testator was of sound memory and disposing mind and understanding, to the best of his knowledge and belief - that George W^r Preply and Simpson Evans, 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 to before me
this 6th January 1854
W^r. Hill Oct. Dr

George Mc Young

South Carolina

Abbeville District } Having examined George Mc Young one of the subscribing witnesses to the annexed paper, and being satisfied, that it is the true last will and Testament of John McBryde. Ordered that it be admitted to probate in Common form

William Hill Oct. Dr

(Will of John McBryde Cont'd.)

Personally came Andrew J. Ueed Executer named in the aforesaid will and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God says that the within paper is the true last will of the said John McBryde and that he will will 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.

Swear to before me salt }
January 1854 }
William Hill Oct

A. J. Ueed

Last Will and Testament of Daniel English

South Carolina } In the name of God amen. I Daniel English
Abbeville District } of the state and District aforesaid planter
being of sound and disposing mind and memory but weak in body, and
mindful of the uncertainty of life and being desirous of making distribution
of all the worldly estate as it has pleased god to bless me with, do
make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner following.
to wit Item 1st I will and desire all my just debts to be paid out of
my estate. Item 2nd I will and bequeath unto my dearly beloved wife
Elizabeth after the payment of my just debts, all my estate both real
and personal during her natural life or widowhood.

Item 3rd And in Case she marries my will is that all my estate both real and
personal be equally divided between my eight children, namely Martha Wooly, Roselia
Aiton, Lucinda Gay, Sarah Hardin, Jackson English, Frances Lentell, Eliza-
beth Morris, and Amanda Spikes. Item 4th I do institute and appoint
my said wife Elizabeth Executrix and my son in law John Lentell and
Thomas Aiton and Jackson English my executors of this my last will
and testament. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed
my seal this the Fourth day of May One thousand eight hundred and
fifty three.

Signed, sealed, published
and declared in the presence of
Jacob Miller
his
Joseph T. Philpot
John M. Harrison

Daniel English 

State of South Carolina } Personally came Jacob Miller, one of the sub-
Abbeville District } scribers witness to the within paper, and being
sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God makes oath that he was
personally present, and did see Daniel English sign, seal, publish, pro-
nounce,

nuance 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 Joseph Philpot and James M. Harrison 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 13th December 1853 } Jacob Miller
William Hill O. A. W. }

State of South Carolina } Having examined Jacob Miller, one of
Abbeville District } the subscribing witnesses to the within paper, and being satisfied, that
it is the true last Will and Testament of Daniel English, Ordered
that it be admitted to probate in common form.

William Hill O. A. W.

State of South Carolina } Personally came John Sentell one of the
Abbeville District } executors named in the within Will and being duly sworn on the Holy
Evangelists of Almighty God, upon oath says, that the within paper is the
true last Will of the said Daniel English dec'd, and that he will well and truly
execute the same, by paying first the debts and then the legacies thereon contained,
so far as the goods and chattels will extend and the law charge him. That
he will make and return into the Ordinary's office of the said District, a true
Inventory and appraisement of the said deceased within the time prescribed
by law.

Sworn to before me

13 Decr. 1853

William Hill Oettle

John Sentell

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Last Will and Testament of John M'Lenan deceased

State of South Carolina
Abbeville District

In the name of God Alme!

I John M'Lenan of the State and District aforesaid do and constitute this my last will and testament and revoking all wills heretofore made by me.

1st "After my death or decease, both my real and personal property is to be sold

2nd "My Funeral expences and just debts is to be paid,

3rd "I bequeath to my Grand Daughter Catherine Ann Watson Five hundred Dollars

4th "I bequeath to my Father Alex M'Lenan Five Hundred dollars and in case of his death I bequeath the said Five Hundred dollars to my Mother Isabella M'Lenan.

5th "I bequeath to my Aunt Nancy M'Lenan one hundred dollars.

6th "The balance or residue of my Estate I bequeath as follows" to Wit"

Two Thirds of it I bequeath to my Brothers to equally divided among them and the other Third I bequeath my sisters to be equally divided them.

7th "I bequeath to my Sister Bess Fintayson my Portrait and the expenses of the transportation to be paid out of my Estate before a distribution takes place.

8th Instructions, My Father & Mother, Brother & Sisters Resides in the parish of Cocklehill Scotland where they may be found.

9th "I do hereby constitute and appoint James Wesley Child and Thomas Thompson Attorney at Law at Abbeville C.H. my Executors to carry out this my will In testimony whereof I affirm that this is my last will and testamony and wrote by me this the 3rd day of Janu 1852 and the independence of the United States of America the seventy sixth

S. V. Cain
Daniel Campbell
M. B. Hackett

John M'Lenan

State of South Carolina

Abbeville District } Personally came M. B. Hackett one of the subscriber
-ing 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 John
M'Lenan sign seal publish pronounce and declare the within paper to be
his last will and testament - and that the testator was of sound and dis-
posing mind memory and understanding to the best of his knowledge and belief
that S. V. Cain & Daniel Campbell together with himself and in the presence
of the testator and in the presence of each other did sign their names as witness
to the due execution thereof

Sworn before me this 11th July

1853 Frederick Webber

C. A. G.

M. B. Hackett

(Continued)

Last Will and Testament of John M^cLennan Decd Contd

State of South Carolina }

Abbeville District } Having examined M^r B Hackett one of the
subscribing witnesses to the within paper and being satisfied that it is
the true last will and Testament of John M^c Lennan. Ordered, that
it be admitted to probate in common form.

11th July 1853

Frederick W Sellick
C. A. I.

State of South Carolina }

Abbeville District } Personally came Thos Thomson & James W Child
Executors named in the within will and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists
of Slaughtry Good upon oath say that the within paper is the true last
will of the said John M^c Lennan 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.

Sawn to before me this 12 July 1853 }

Frederick W Sellick
C. A. I.

Thos Thomson.
Jas W Child.

Last Will and Testament of Hatch M Strickland

The State of South Carolina }

Abbeville District } In the name of God Amen.

I Hatch M Strickland planter of the District and State
aforesaid being in feeble health but of sound mind and memory make
this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following

First. It is my will and I direct that all my just debts be paid as soon
after my decease as practicable.

Second. I give bequeath and desire all my estate both real and personal
to my beloved wife Polly Strickland, for and during her natural life,
for her use and benefit to use sell or exchange the whole or any part
of my said estate as she may think proper until her death and consist
of my executors or such of them as may qualify, to be hereinafter named.

Third. I give and bequeath to my grand daughter Mary Elizabeth Grant my
walnut cupboard a loom and the tacklings belonging thereto now in the
possession of her father James Grant and also give and bequeath to my
grand daughter Mary Elizabeth Grant should she continue to live
with her grand mother and my self and take care of us my
negro slave Hannah to her and her heirs forever after the death of
her grand mother Polly Strickland.

Fourth. After the death of my beloved wife I desire, and it is my will that

my executors hereinafter named or such of them as may qualify to sell on such times and at such times as they or he may think best that part of my estate which may remain at the death of my beloved wife, after giving off the part given and bequeathed to my grand daughter Mary E. Grant, and I authorize and empower them or such of them as may qualify to make good and sufficient titles to the purchaser or purchasers of the same, and that the proceeds of said part of my estate be divided between and among my legal heirs as the law relative to the distribution of estates provides when there is no will.

Fifth. If there be any part of the estate now jointly held by myself and beloved wife Polly Strickland, which she received by inheritance and at my decease will under the last will of her Mother Margaret Cheves, return to her by inheritance in that case any such part of our now joint estate will not be considered as disposed of in this my last will and Testament.

Sixth. I hereby nominate constitute and appoint my friends John L. Reid and Robert W. Wardlaw as executors of this my last will and Testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this ninth day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty two and in the seventy seventh year of the Independence of the United States of America.

Signed sealed published and delivered in the presence of
us who at the request of
the Testator and in the presence
of each other have
Subscribed our names as
witnesses

Andrew McLane
Robert Thornton
William A. Richey

Nathan M. Strickland

South Carolina

Abbeville District} Personally came William A. Richey one of the subscribing witnesses to the paper and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God makes oath that he was personally present and did see N. M. Strickland sign seal publish pronounce and declare the 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 Andrew McLane & Rebecca Thornton 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 execution thereof.

Sworn before me this

2 January 1854.

William Hill

notary

William A. Richey

* South Carolina }
 Abbeville District } Personally came John S. Reid one of the within Exors.
 named in the aforesd will and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of
 Almighty God, say that the within paper is the true last will of the
 said Mr. Strickland 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
 District, a true Inventory and appraisement of the Estate of the said
 deceased within the time prescribed by law. J. S. Reid
 Swore to before me second of January
 1854 William Hill

O.C.D.

* South Carolina }
 Abbeville District } Having examined William C. Richy, one of the subscriber
 witnesses to the within paper and being satisfied that it is the true last
 will and Testament of Nathan M. Strickland ordered that it be admitted
 to probate in common form

William Hill

O.C.D.

South Carolina }
 Abbeville District } William Hill, Ordinary of Abbeville District.
 do certify that the foregoing contains a true Copy of
 the last will of Mr. Strickland dec'd from the Original which is on file in
 my office

William Hill. O.C.D.

Last Will and Testament of Matthew McLinton "Deceased"

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

That all my just debts be paid.

Item 1st It is my will and desire that the plantation whereon I now live be
 rented out from year to year and the proceeds of the same be applied
 to the support of my wife Margaret McLinton and should my Executors
 at any time think it more to the interest of my Estate to sell or

Item 2nd

Last Will and Testament of Matthew McLinton dec^d, Coate

disposse of my land, that they have the power so to do that all my other property at my decease be sold and should the rest of the land and interest or money arising from sale of my other property and money due me not be sufficient to support my wife Margaret McLinton her natural life time in that case that they my executors see enough of my estate for a decent support for her.

Item 5^o It is my will and desire that at the death of my wife Margaret McLinton that Twenty five Dollars of my Estate be equally divided among the living Children of my Brother John McLinton.

Item fourth That all the residue of my Estate after paying the above and as has been already disposed of be held by executors and the Interest arising from the money being loaned out annually be applied to the education of poor and Orphan Children within the limits of what is now known as Capt Reagans Beat, and I do hereby constitute make and Ordain John Cothron and Ezra Say my only lawful executors to this my last Will and Testament and I do hereby utterly disallow revoke and annul all all and every other former Testament Will and Legacies and Executors by me ratified and confirming this and no other to be my last Will and Testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this Eighteenth day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty eight signed Sealed in the presence

of A. Wideman

James C Martin

Robert A Martin

Matthew ^{his} McLinton ^{mark}

State of South Carolina}

Abbeville District }

Personally came Robert A. Martin one of the subscribing Witnesses to the paper and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God makes oath that he was personally present and did see Matthew McLinton sign said publick presence 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 James C. Martin & A. Wideman 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 30th day June 1853

J W Sillcock

O. A. O.

Robt. A. Martin

State of South Carolina}

Abbeville District }

Having examined Robert A. Martin one of the subscribing Witnesses to the within paper and being satisfied that it is the true last will and Testament of Matthew McLinton - Ordered that it be admitted to probate in common form.

96 June 1853

Last Will and Testament of Matthew McClinton Carter

State of South Carolina}

Abbeville District } Personally came Tira Jay 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 Matthew McClinton 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 District a true inventory and appraisement
of the Estate of the said deceased within the time prescribed by
Law.

Served to before me 7 Nov 1853 }

Tira, Jay,

Matthew McDonald

C. A. S. Ex Offt

Last Will and Testament of Joseph Brown "Deceased"

The State of South Carolina}

Abbeville District } In the name of God Amen!
I Joseph Brown of the State and District aforesaid being of sound and
disposing mind and memory but weak in bodily and failing to mind the
uncertainty of life and being desirous to dispose of all such worldly estates as it
has pleased God to bless me with do make and ordain this my last Will and
Testament in the manner following (that is to say,) I desire that my body
be buried in a decent and Christian like manner at the discretion of my
Executors hereafter mentioned. I commit my body to the dust and my spirit
to God who gave it. I desire that all my just and funeral expenses be paid
after my decease out of such money as may be on hand and should that be in-
sufficient for the above purpose then it is my desire that my Executor hereafter
mentioned shall sell at publick sale atturing reasonable Credits, so much of my
Personal Estate as will be sufficient for the said purpose and out of the moneys
arising therefrom pay and satisfy all my just debts of every description after
the payment of my debts as is aforesaid I give to my wife Elizabeth Brown the
whole of my estate both real and personal for and during her natural life.