

(Last Will and Testament of Nicholas H Miller)

The State of South Carolina }
 Abbeville District }

In the name of God Amen!

I Nicholas H Miller of the District and State aforesaid, being weak in body, but of sound disposing mind, memory and understanding do make ordain and establish this my last will and testament— hereby revoking all other wills by me made. —

First

Desiring that my property should be kept together, and enjoyed by my family in common, and having every confidence in my dearly beloved wife, I will devise and bequeath my whole estate both real and personal, to my said beloved wife Mary Caroline Miller during her widowhood or natural life. —

I desire that my beloved wife shall keep up and manage my farm— support the family— clothe and educate my children, and give each a good practical and classical education out of the common estate: and if the profits of the farm are more than sufficient for these purposes, that the remainder be added to the bulk of the property, subject to the provisions hereinafter made. —

Third

I desire that all my children should receive an equal portion of my estate, and to accomplish this purpose, I desire that my beloved wife should give off to each as they may marry, or stand in need of it, such portion or portions of the estate as she can spare or deems proper— the same to be valued at the time it is taken, and to be accounted for without interest in the general distribution hereinafter provided for. —

Fourth

If any of my sons should wish a Collegiate Education I desire that he may be allowed to obtain it. — charging him as an advancement only for his expenses for tuition and extra clothing whilst in College. — all expenses to be advancement except board

Fifth

If it should be thought advisable by my Executor and Executrix hereinafter named to exchange or sell any portion of my Estate, they are authorized to do so at their joint discretion in order to re-invest in, or exchange for other property which may be more advantageous to the Estate. —

(Sixth)

Sixth

I will and desire that, upon the event of my youngest child marrying, or arriving at the age of twenty one years, all my Estate of every kind and description, except my negroes, shall be sold by my Executors, and divided among my children, or the representatives of such as may be dead, in such manner as to make them all equal - taking into the account previous advancements.

I also wish upon the happening of that event - my beloved wife living - that my negroes may be divided as follows - my dearly beloved wife to have as many negroes as she may wish, to be selected by her, so that those chosen by her do not exceed ten in number - these negroes to be to her sole, separate, and exclusive use during her natural life, and at her death to be equally divided among my children - the distributees of such as may be dead representing the parent. The remainder of my negroes, after the aforesaid ten are taken out I wish divided among all my children so as to make them equal - the distributees of such as may be dead, representing the parent, and taking among them the share which he or she if living, would have been entitled to receive. -

Seventh

In the event of the second marriage of my beloved wife Mary C before my youngest child marries or comes of age, then and in that case also I wish my whole estate except my negroes to be sold, and divided among my children, or the representatives of such as may be dead, in such manner as to make them all equal - taking into the account previous advancements. -

I also wish upon the happening of that event, that my negroes may be divided as follows. My dearly beloved wife to have as many negroes as she may wish, to be selected by her to the number of ten during her natural life, to her sole, separate and exclusive use, not subject to the debts, contracts or engagements of her husband, and at her death to be equally divided among my children - the distributees of such as may be dead representing the parent. - The remainder of my negroes to be divided among my children so as to make them all equal - the distributees of such as may be dead representing the parent, and taking among them the share which he or she, if living, would have been entitled to receive. -

Eighth

I will and desire that the negroes which shall go to
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my daughters respectively under this will, shall be to their sole separate and exclusive use during their natural lives only, not subject to the debts, contracts or engagements of their husbands: and at the death of each of them her portion to be divided equally among her children - the distributees of such as may be dead to represent their parent. And if either of my said daughters should die without leaving any child living at her death, then and in that case her share to be equally divided among her surviving brothers and sisters.

Ninth I nominate, constitute and appoint my friend D. T. Littleton, Yarbrough Executor, and my dearly beloved wife Mary Caroline Miller executrix of this my last will and testament.

Witness my hand and seal this eighteenth day of August Anno Domini 1855.

Signed & Executed in presence
of John Tennent
H. C. Miller
A. J. Oliver

A. H. Miller

State of South Carolina

Abbeville District } Personally came H. C. Miller, 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 A. H. Miller, 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 Tennent and A. J. Oliver, 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
16th Aug 1855. William Hill O. A. D.

H. C. Miller

State of South Carolina

Abbeville District } Having examined H. C. Miller, one of the subscribing Witnesses to the within paper, and being satisfied that it is the true last will and Testament of A. H. Miller de^d; Ordained, that it be admitted to Probate in common form

William Hill, O. A. D.

State of South Carolina }
 Abbeville District } Personally came Littleton
 Yarbrough & M. C. Miller Esq. & W. H. 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 and Testament of the said N. H. Miller 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 } L. Yarbrough
 27 Nov 1855 William Hill O. C. D. } Mary C. Miller

Last Will of } The State of South Carolina }
 Martha C. Keel } Abbeville District }

In the name of God Amen: —

I, Martha Caroline Keel now feeble in body, but
 of sound & disposing mind & memory, do make & publish this as
 my last Will and Testament — hereby revoking all other wills
 heretofore made by me.

- 1 My Will is, that all my just debts be paid and this to
 include the expenses necessary & proper to my burial —
- 2 My object is, to secure to my daughter Mary Adalaid
 now the wife of Augustus Thomas, all my estate & effects &
 property real or personal, or of whatsoever character for her
 sole and separate use, not in anywise to be subject to the
 control, liabilities or indebtedness of her present or any future
 husband — and the better to effect this I will and bequeath
 to my friend and Attorney H. A. Jones Esq. the following
 slaves, & estate, with their present & future increase, viz —
 Lotty & her children, to wit: Eliza, Lem, Betton, Cilla, Presely
 and Alice, also Dina & her child Edy & Edy's children, to wit:
 Tom, Harriet, & her child Jim, Phoebe, Dilee, Bill & Sally; also
 Harriet & children, to wit: Ellen, Easter & Ike; and also that —
 to my said friend & his heirs and assigns for ever — in Trust
 Nevertheless, for the sole & separate use of my said daughter
 during her life not to be in anywise subject to the control, con-
 tracts or liabilities of her present or any future husband — with
 the right & power of my said daughter's disposing thereof

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by her last will and testament —

I will however, in order that my said daughter may the better enjoy said property, she is to have the possession thereof as well as the use and benefit —

I further will all my interest in and to the estate of my late husband John P. Steel — late of Newberry District yet unsettled, to my said friend & Atty W. A. Jones Esq, subject to the same trusts and limitations as the above slaves — for the sole and separate use of my said daughter —

And in order to carry out this my last will and testament I hereby appoint and constitute my said friend W. A. Jones Esq sole executor thereof.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal in presence of the undersigned subscribing witnesses, each of whom has been requested by me to witness the same —
this 29th Octr 1855

M. C. Steel 

Signed, sealed & published in presence of us the undersigned, each of whom has seen Mrs Steel sign the same in our presence — & we also have signed in her presence

D. P. Hughes
Wm A. Parker
J. A. Allen.

State of South Carolina

Abbeville District

Personally came D. P. Hughes, 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 C. Steel, sign, seal, publish, pronounce, and declare the within paper to be her last will and Testament — and that the Testatrix was of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding, to the best of his knowledge and belief — that Wm A. Parker & J. A. Allen 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.

D. P. Hughes.

Sworn before me

29th November 1855

William Hill

C. A. D.

(In the matter of the will of M. C. Steel)

State of South Carolina }
 Abbeville District }

Having examined B. P. Hughes, one of the subscribing witnesses to the within paper, and being satisfied that it is the true last will and Testament of Martha C. Steel dec'd. Ordered that it be admitted to Probate in common form.

29 Nov 1855

William Hill C. A. D.

State of South Carolina }
 Abbeville District }

Personally came H. A. Jones 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 Martha C. Steel, - 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 to before me

H. A. Jones

29 Decr. 1855.

William Hill C. A. D.

Last Will
 of
 Wm. H. Smith

True Last Will & Testament of William H. Smith.

I, William H. Smith being of sound mind and strong memory and calling to mind the uncertainty of life and the certainty of Death and being desirous to dispose of what Earthly Goods it has pleased Good to bless me with I make this my Last Will and Testament.

1st I will my body to the earth from whence it was made to be Buried in a Christian Like manner, at the discretion of my Executor and my spirit to God who gave it.

2nd I will that all my just debts of every description to be paid out of what money note & debt that I have on hand with the crop after a years support is taken out, and if that should not be sufficient then my Executor to sell of Parishable Property sufficient to satisfy them. I will to my beloved wife Beda Smith the whole of my estate both Real and Personally during her natural life, after her death the remains to be sold and

(Equally)

(by)

Equally divided between my People and ^{her} people. I also will that at any time that my wife shall wish to change her ^{position} in Life by remarriage or otherwise, that she take one half of the whole of the Estate to be hers in fee simple forever, and I hereby appoint my Friend William Frouit my Executor to execute this my Last Will and Testament in witness whereoff I have hereunto cause my seal and main affixed in the presence of us

1st Day December 1855.

William H. Smith

Witness
J. H. Jennings
A. B. Boyd
T. H. Bradley

State of South Carolina }
Abbeville District }

Personally came T. H. Bradley 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 H. Smith 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. H. Jennings and A. B. Boyd, 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 }
31 Decr 1855. }
W. Hill. o a d }

T. H. Bradley

State of South Carolina }
Abbeville District }

Having examined T. H. Bradley one of the subscribing Witnesses to the within paper, and being satisfied that it is the true last will and Testament of William H. Smith dec'd.; Ordered, that it be admitted to Probate in Common form

31 Decr 1855

W Hill. o a d.

State of South Carolina }
Abbeville District }

Personally came Williams Trewitt
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 St-Smith; 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 chattes will extend and the law cha-
rge 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

31 Dec^r 1855.

William Hill o.a.d }

Williams Trewitt

Last Will
of
Jno Cockran

I, John Cockran of Abbeville District and State
of South Carolina being anxious to make a dispo-
sition of my property whilst sound in mind and
memory, though diseased in body, do make and
constitute this my last Will and Testament.

First. I direct my just debts to be paid by my Executor,
herein after named, out of such of my personal Estate
as may not be specifically bequeathed by me; and
should any of my just debts be unsatisfied therefrom,
I direct such balance to be paid out of my real Estate.

Second. I wish and direct all my real Estate to be sold by
my Executor whenever and in such manner as he
may think most advisable for the interest of my Estate
— it being my desire that it should not be sacrificed
by a sale at an injudicious time. The proceeds of such
sale, after deducting for debts if necessary, I will and
direct to be equally divided among my three children
Mary Ann, L. McTary, James St Cockran and John
Wesley Cockran.

Third. I wish my negroes divided into three shares of
equal value, and I will and bequeath a share to
eachone of my three children above named.

Fourth. Should there be any balance of my personal Es-
(Estate)

Estate set apart for the payment of debts and specifically bequeathed, I desire it to be distributed equally between my aforesaid three children.

Fifth. It is my will and desire that my daughter Mary Ann L. McTary, the wife of William McTary, shall have and enjoy, for her life only, and for her sole and separate benefit, the share of my Estate above willed and bequeathed to her, not subject to, or liable for the debts or contracts of her present or any future husband - and at her death I will and bequeath it to the heirs of her body then living, but if she leaves no heirs of her body then living, I give and bequeath it to my sons James et. and John Wesley Cochran and their heirs, each taking a share.

And for the purpose of more effectually carrying out my intentions in respect to the property above given to my daughter Mrs. McTary, I hereby appoint and constitute my son James W. Cochran a trustee for it, in whom shall vest the legal title, giving and granting to said trustee full power and authority (the consent of my said daughter Mrs. McTary first having been obtained in writing) to sell or dispose of any or all of it in such a manner as he may think advisable for the interest of my said daughter, holding the money or substituted property subject to the trusts above declared.

Sixth. I nominate and appoint my son James W. Cochran the Executor of this my last Will and Testament.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the Eleventh day of August Anno domini One thousand Eight hundred and fifty four.

In presence of
 Chas Smith
 C. A. Cobb
 B. F. Herndon

John Cochran 

State of South Carolina }
 Abbeville District } Personally came B. F. Herndon
 one of the subscribing witnesses to the within paper and
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being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God makes oath that he was personally present, and did see John Cochran 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 Chas Smith & C. A. Cobb, 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
28 January 1856
William Hill. O. A. D.

B. G. Henderson

State of South Carolina }
Abbeville District }

Having examined B. G. Henderson, one of the subscribing Witnesses to the within paper, and being satisfied that it is the true last Will and Testament of John Cochran, Ordered that it be admitted to Probate in Common form.

28 Jan'y 1856. William Hill. O. A. D.

State of South Carolina }
Abbeville District }

Personally came James A. Cochran Esq named in the within will and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, upon oath says that the within paper is the true last Will of the said John Cochran dec'd, 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 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
28 Jan'y 1856
W. Hill O. A. D.

J. A. Cochran

Last Will and Testament of Francis Atkins

State of South Carolina }
 Abbeville District }

In view of my physical infirmities and while yet in the possession of a perfect mental equilibrium, I have deemed it proper to make this my last will and testament. And to carry out the provisions of this instrument I hereby appoint my son Robert Atkins my lawful executor to do all things herein appointed unto him to do - and all other legal duties devolving upon him in his capacity. And to him the said Robert Atkins and his heirs and to my Daughter Margarette Dale and the heirs of her body, and to my sons Ravenna and James now minors, and their heirs, and to my wife Elisabeth Atkins if living at my death, I devise and bequeath equal portions of all the effects whether lands negroes, chattels personal or real, rights, credits and of whatsoever of value I may die seized or possessed, subject however in the case of my wife Elisabeth and Daughter Margarette above mentioned to the limitations hereinafter mentioned. That is to say I direct my executor at my death to bring to lawful sale all the lands houses negroes and whatever I may die possessed of except the negroes, and to collect all notes accounts and debts whatsoever which may be owing to me or my estate, and out of the moneys thus arising, first to pay all the debts or demands which I at the time of my death lawfully owed, or which he as executor may have contracted on account of the estate and then to divide the residue equally between him the said Robert Atkins, Margarette Dale my wife Elisabeth and Ravenna and James Atkins and the heirs of him the said Robert Ravenna and James, but subject in the case of my wife Elisabeth and daughter Margarette to the limitations herein after mentioned That is to say I direct my executor to have all the negroes appraised and to divide them among the parties entitled according to their appraised value, that is between him the said Robert Atkins and Margarette Dale, my wife Elisabeth and Ravenna and James Atkins. And I hereby limit all the property whether money or negroes bequeath

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ed to my wife Elisabeth to the term of her natural life, and at her death to return to the said Robert Atkins and his heirs and to the said Ravenna and James Atkins and their heirs and to Margarett Dale and the heirs of her body if any if not to return to my other children and their heirs, and I hereby appoint my son Robert Atkins trustee for my wife Elisabeth to lay out the said money coming to her if any from the sale of my lands houses &c above mentioned to purchase her a piece of land upon which to live or in part payment thereof and to see to her comfort and welfare and to see that she has a decent and comfortable living out of the funds thus bequeathed, that is to say she is to have a home and the use of the dividends of negroes which shall fall to her during her life and after that it is to return as aforesaid and my son Robert to act as her trustee as aforesaid to make all trades or bargains such as selecting a suitable person to oversee her farming operations and to have a general superintendance.

And also to my daughter Margarett Dale as aforesaid I limit all the interest herein bequeathed to her and the heirs of her body and if she should die without heirs of her body, it is to return to my three sons Robert, Ravenna and James and their heirs - and I appoint my son Robert a trustee for her the said Margarett Dale to place such money as may be coming to her as aforesaid to such uses as will best comport her interest, and to hire or otherwise employ her share of the negroes as shall be most expedient and useful to her and if she should die without heirs of her body, all the interest herein given to her to return to him the said Robert, Ravenna and James and their heirs

Test. R. W. Lites

Francis Atkins

D. C. Lites

J. W. Lites

The State of South Carolina }
Abbeville District }

Formally came R. W. Lites, one of the subscribing witnesses to the written paper, and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, makes oath that he was personally present, and did see Francis Atkins sign, seal, publish, pronounce and declare the written (paper)

paper to be his last will and testament - and that the testator was of sound ⁴disposing mind, memory and understanding to the best of his knowledge and belief - that J. C. Liles and J. W. Liles 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

R. W. Liles.

18 March 1856.

William Hill o a d }

State of South Carolina }
Abbeville District }

Having examined R. W. Liles, one of the subscribing witnesses to the within paper, and being satisfied that it is the true Last Will and Testament of Francis Atkins, Ordered that it be admitted to Probate in common form

18 March 1856.

W Hill o a d }

State of South Carolina }
Abbeville District }

Personally came Robert Atkins now 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 Francis Atkins dec'd, and that he will well and truly execute the same, by paying first the debts and then the Legacies therein contained, so far as the 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 to before me

18 March 1856

William Hill

o a d }

Robert Atkins

(Last Will of Andrew Logan)

The State of South Carolina

In the name of God Amen!!!

I Andrew Logan of the district of Abbeville & State aforesaid, being of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding; but calling to mind that I must die & being desirous of disposing of my estate & property do make and ordain this my last will and testament

1. I direct all my debts & funeral expenses to be paid.
2. I have heretofore advanced my children in property & money - as follows. to wit

Zachary Logan in cash	\$ 368.43 + 500.00 =	\$ 868.43
Negro Girl Linda valued at		<u>200.00</u>
In all		1068.43

John S Logan - Negro Tom valued at	\$ 450.00	
Negro Sam	<u>200.00</u>	
		650.00

Francis Logan, negro woman Circel & child	\$ 450.00	
Boy Jerry	<u>500.00</u>	
		950.00

Syler Logan, negro woman Felitha & child	\$ 450.00	
Cash for Land	200.00	
Negro boy Alexander	500.00	
Cash by Mr Arnold	<u>500.00</u>	
		1650.00

Leroy Logan, negro woman Franky & Edie	\$ 450.00	
Cash	<u>100.00</u>	
		550.00

Willis Logan, negro woman Lily & child	\$ 450.00	
Cash	<u>100.00</u>	
		550.00

Andrew J Logan, negro woman Rose & child Walter	550.00	
Cash	200.00	
Boy Will	<u>300.00</u>	
		1050.00

Huldah Crawford, negro woman Silvy & Morris	600.00	
Frederick Logan, negro woman Phillis & child	450.00	
Cash paid Dr Calhoun	<u>130.00</u>	
		580.00

Isaac Logan, negro woman Betsey & 2 children	650.00	
All which advancements, as valued & set down above I		(debt)

- desire & direct to be taken into the division of my estate and charged to my children."
3. It is my will and desire that all my estate both Real & personal ^{except the slaves} be sold by my Executors; the Real estate in such tracts as my executors may think proper, upon a credit of one, two and three years; the personal estate except the negroes, upon a credit of twelve months for all sums of five dollars & over, under that amount cash; and that the proceeds of the sale, together with all money that my Executors may receive of my estate, after the payment of all my debts and other expenses, be divided equally amongst my children, regard being had to the advancements as set down above.
 4. It is my will and desire that all my negroes be divided amongst my children - that five disinterested slave holders be chosen by my Executors to allot, divide, and appraise the said slaves, and to assign to each of my children an equal share in value regard being had to the advancements aforesaid my will being that all my children shall be made equal in their shares.
 5. It is my will and desire that the child or children of any deceased child of mine shall represent the parent and take the share that the parent would have taken if living.
 6. It is my will & desire & I so order & direct that the share of my estate which shall fall to my daughter Huldah Crawford shall not vest in her; but I give the same to my Executors hereinafter named, in trust for the sole and separate use of my said daughter Huldah for and during her natural life; not subject to the debts, contracts, or engagements of her present, or any future husband, and at her death I give the same to her children to be equally divided amongst all the children which she may leave living at the time of her death, and the child or children of any deceased child, the child or children of any deceased child to represent the parent and take the share to which the parent if living would be entitled to.
 7. I do hereby appoint my sons Zachary Logan and Isaac, and my nephew Dr. John Logan Executors of this my last will and testament.

I hereby revoke all former wills by me made
 In witness whereof I have hereunto subscribed my
 name, and affixed my seal this Eleventh day
 (of)

of January A. D. One thousand eight hundred and fifty one.

Signed, sealed, acknowledged and
Published by Andrew Logan as his last
will and Testament before us, who have
subscribed our names as witnesses hereof
in the presence of the Testator.

Andrew Logan

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(In the 3 section the words "except the slaves"
interlined before signing.)

Wm. Blake

Caleb A. Blake

A. M. Blake

State of South Carolina

Abbeville District

Personally came William A. Blake, 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 Andrew Logan
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
Caleb A. Blake and A. M. Blake 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

21 April 1856

William Hill oad

Wm. Blake

State of South Carolina

Abbeville District

Having examined William A.
Blake one of the subscribing witnesses to the within paper -
and being satisfied that it is the true last will and Testa-
ment of Andrew Logan decd. Ordain that it be admitted
to Probate in Common form

William Hill

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21 April 1856

State of South Carolina }
 Abbeville District } Primarily came Isaac Logan &
 John Logan Esq's 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 Andrew
 Logan 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
 21 Apr 1856.
 W. Hill O. & S.

John Logan

Isaac Logan

(The Last Will & Testament of Mary Hill.)

South Carolina }
 Abbeville District } In the Name of God, Amen.

I, Mary Hill of the District & State aforesaid
 being weak & frail in body, but of sound & disposing mind
 & memory, & being desirous of making some disposition of
 the worldly effects with which a kind providence has
 blessed me, do make, declare & ordain this to be my
 last Will & Testament.

Item 1st It is my will & desire that my body should be decently
 buried in Upper Long Cane Graveyard by my Executors,
 & I trust, through the mediation of my Blessed Saviour
 that my soul will ascend to God who gave it.

Item 2nd It is my will & desire that all of my just debts, should
 be paid together with my funeral expenses, & the expense
 of a decent head & foot stone of marble, to designate
 the spot where I am buried.

Item 3rd I will & bequeath to my beloved brother Hugh Mc
 Crone of Ireland the sum of Fifty Dollars.

Item 4th I will & bequeath to my beloved sister Ellen Bam-
 foot the sum of Fifty Dollars.

Item 5th I will & bequeath to my beloved nephew Hugh Mc
 Crone junior the sum of Fifty Dollars.

Item 6th I will & bequeath to my beloved niece Mary Mc Crone,
 the sum of Fifty Dollars.

Item 7th. I will & bequeath to the Poor of the Parish of Ballynure Ireland, the sum of One hundred Dollars, to be dispensed among them as the Minister of the Parish & the Elders of the Parish may think best.

Item 8th. I will & bequeath the residue of my Estate to the Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church at Abbeville Court House to be appropriated for whatever purpose, & for whatever object my Executors may think proper. I do this for the great love I have for that Church, as it is the Church of my choice, & the one of which I have long been a member.

Item 9th. Should either of the Legatees mentioned in the third, fourth, fifth, & sixth items of my will die before my Executors are ready to pay over to them their respective Legacies, it is my will & desire that such Legacy, or Legacies should go to their next of kin.

Item 10th. It is my will & desire that my friends & brethren Dr Isaac Branch, Rev. James Moore, & David Keller Esq. should act as my Executors, & that they should be compensated out of my Estate for their trouble.

Signed, Sealed & acknowledged this fifteenth day of October 1853. -

for
Mary Hill
mark

In presence of
D. R. Sondley
Edwin J. Taylor
Mr C Moore

State of South Carolina }
Abbeville District } Personally came William C Moore
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 Hill, 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 Edwin J. Taylor, and D. R. Sondley, 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 28 April 1856 }
W. Hill. O. A. D. }

William C. Moore.

State of South Carolina

Abbeville District } Having examined William C. Moore, one of the subscribing Witnesses to the within paper; and being satisfied that it is the true Last Will and Testament of Mary Hill dec'd. Ordered, that it be admitted to Probate in Common form.

28 April 1856.

William Hill. o. a. d.

State of South Carolina

Abbeville District } Personally came David Keller & Jas. Moore, two of the Exors 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 Mary Hill 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

28 April 1856

W. Hill. o. a. d.

David Keller

Jas Moore

(Last Will & Testament of Elizabeth Givens dec'd)

The State of South Carolina.

In the Name of God Amen!

I Elizabeth Givens of the District of Abbeville and State aforesaid being desirous to dispose of all my estate, do make this my last will and testament.

- 1st I desire all my just debts to be paid by my Executor herein after named
- 2^d I give to my Daughter Malinda the wife of George Williams five Dollars.
- 3^d I give to my Daughters Margaret & Sarah, each five Dollars.
- 4th I give to my Daughters Jane & Eliza each, five Dollars.
- 5th I give to my son John Five dollars.
- 6th All the rest and residue of my Estate I give, devise and bequeath unto my son Robert Stucky, to him

(and)

and his heirs forever.

7th And I do constitute my son Robert Stucky Executor of this my last Will and testament - hereby revoking all other wills by me heretofore made.

Witness my hand and seal this nine -
teenth day of June 1855

signed & sealed, as her last
Will and testament by Elizabeth
Givens in our presence

1. E. Tribble
2. Abram Haddon
3. Thomas Crawford

her
Elizabeth X Givens
mar

State of South Carolina

Abbeville District } Personally came Thomas Crawford
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 Elizabeth Givens
sign, seal, publish, pronounce, and declare, the within paper
to be her Last Will and Testament. - and that the Testatrix
was of sound and disposing mind, memory, and understand-
ing, to the best of his knowledge and belief - that E. Tribble &
Abram Haddon, 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

8 May 1856

W. Hill, o. a. d.

Thomas Crawford.

State of South Carolina

Abbeville District } Having examined Thomas Crawford
one of the subscribing Witnesses to the within paper, and being
satisfied that it is the true Last Will and Testament of
Elizabeth Givens dec'd. Ordein, that it be admitted to Probate
in Common form.

8 May 1856

W. Hill, o. a. d.

State of South Carolina

Abbeville District } Personally came Robert Stucky
son, 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 Elizabeth
(Givens)

Givens, 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, suom to before me.

8 May 1856

Robert Stucky.

W. Hill. o. a. d.

(The Last Will & Testament of Mary R. Robertson. dec'd)

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

I Mary Knight Robertson, daughter of Reuben Robertson, Spinster, being of sound disposing mind and memory, but calling to mind the uncertainty of life and the certainty of death do make and ordain this my last will and testament - hereby revoking all former wills by me made. —

First I will and desire that all my just debts be paid, and also my funeral expenses. —

Second . I will devise and bequeath all my estate both real and personal - consisting of a tract of land known as the Reuben Robertson tract, and about thirty six negroes, and other property, to my dearly beloved half brother Wesley Robertson for and during his natural life, and at his death to his children to be equally divided share and share alike between them. - If at the time of the death of my said brother Wesley Robertson, any of his children should be dead leaving children, the children to come in and represent their parent.

Third . If by legacy bequest or otherwise I should receive other property in addition to that which I own at this time, then I wish that to go precisely in the same way as the property herein before given.

Fourth I hereby nominate constitute and appoint my said brother Wesley Robertson the sole Executor of this my last will and testament

I witness whereof I have hereunto signed my name and affixed my seal this twenty third day of October in the year of

of our Lord One thousand Eight hundred &
and fifty four.

In presence of
J Wardlaw Penin
Langdon C Haskell
Jas S Cochran

Mary S Robertson (Seal)

State of South Carolina }
Abbeville District } Personally came James S Cochran
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 S Robert-
son sign, seal, publish, pronounce, and declare, the within
paper to be her last Will and Testament - and that the
Testatrix was of sound and disposing mind, memory and
understanding to the best of his knowledge and belief -
that J Wardlaw Penin and Langdon C Haskell, 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
24 May 1854
William Hill O.A.D.

James S Cochran

State of South Carolina }
Abbeville District } Having examined James S Cochran
one of the subscribing witnesses to the within paper, and
being satisfied that it is the true last Will and Testament
of Mary S Robertson dec'd; Ordeins that it be admitted to
Probate in common form.

24 May 1854.

William Hill O.A.D.

State of South Carolina } Personally came Wesley Robertson
Abbeville District } God 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 Mary S Robertson dec'd; 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 into the Office of the Ordinary of the said
District, a true Inventory and Appraisement of the
(estate)

estate of the said deceased within the time prescribed by law
 sworn to before me

J. Wesley Robertson.

24 May 1856

N. Hill. Oct. 23

(Last Will & Testament of Jas. R. McClinton de. &

Abbeville District

South Carolina } J. James R. McClinton, being
 of sound and disposing mind, declare this to be my
 last will and testament, revoking all others by me
 at any time made. In the first place, I will and
 bequeath to my brother William McClinton, and to
 my sisters Jane and Caroline McClinton, and to my
 niece Elizabeth Richy making in all four shares
 to them and their heirs forever, my entire personal
 and real estate consisting of two tracts of land, one
 on which I now reside and the other adjoining thereto.
 Together with five negroes viz Jack, Caroline, Jane,
 Cornelia and Harry, as also all my household and
 kitchen furniture, together with my stock of all kinds,
 Plantation Tools, Provision and provender, Wagons and
 Gear, Buggy and Harness &c. Each of the four named
 individuals to receive equal parts of my entire estate
 I nominate and appoint R. C. Sharp executor
 of this my last will and testament. In witness whereof
 I here affix my hand and seal this 10th day of May
 1856.

J. R. McClinton

Signed, published and declared as his last will and
 testament in the presence of us who here subscribe our names
 in the presence of the Testator, and in presence of each other

James Y. Sifton

Robert Drennon

Robt A Archer

State of South Carolina

Abbeville District } Personally came Robert Drennon
 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 J. R. McClinton
 sign, seal, publish, pronounce and declare, the within paper
 to be his last will and testament - and that the Testator
 (was)

was of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding, to the best of his knowledge and belief that James W. Sifton and Robert A. Archer 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

Robert Drennon

2 June 1856

W. Hill, C. C. D.

State of South Carolina

Abbeville District } Having examined Robert Drennon one of the subscribing Witnesses to the within paper, and being satisfied that it is the true last Will and Testament of J. R. McClinton dec'd; Ordains that it be admitted to Probate in common form.

2 June 1856

W. Hill, C. C. D.

State of South Carolina

Abbeville District } Personally came R. C. Sharp Esq. named in the within Will and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, upon oath says that the within paper is the true last will of the said J. R. McClinton dec'd, and that he will well and truly execute the same, by paying first the debts, and then the Legacies therein contained, so far as the 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 to before me

R. C. Sharp

2 June 1856

W. Hill, C. C. D.

Last Will & Testament of Mary P. Mantz.

State of South Carolina

Abbeville District } In the name of God. Amen:
I Mary P. Mantz of the state and District above mentioned, being of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding, but old and weak in body, and calling to mind that I must soon die, do make and ordain this Instrument as my last will and

(Testament)

Testament.

- Item 1st It is my will and desire that after my death, my body be decently buried.
- Item 2nd It is my will and desire that all my just debts be paid.
- Item 3rd It is my will and desire, and do give at my decease unto my Grand Niece Harriet Glover, and to my Grand Nephew Vandal M. Glover both the children of my Nephew David Glover, the following property (viz) One Carriage (the new one) one young Colt (which I purchased from John Dilborn) nine Bales of Lined Cotton cotton seed corn & fodder. Stock of all kinds, which I by right may be entitled One Sofa Three Rocking chairs, One Bureau & Glass in the stove room one stove and its fixtures two pair of Andirons one shovel 1 pr Tongs and poker all my crockery Glass the two pair of Silver Candelsticks one set Silver Tea spoons two feather Beds one bag feathers all my Bed clothes one Bedstead up stands over sitting room all the window Curtains that belongs to the House they having been paid up by me since the death and sale of my husband One Wash Stand Basin & Ewer up stands in room over parlor the Carpeting over sitting room and the one over stove room floor. Together with all other property which I may by right be entitled to after carrying out the will of my deceased Husband legally. One one horse cart.
- Item 4 It is my will and desire and I do give to my Grand Niece & Grand nephew who are named in Item 3rd all my wearing cloths my Table cloths Towels and one note of hand on Jacob Langley due the 14th day last for Ninety Dollars.
- Item 5. It is my will and desire that all the property enumerated and mentioned and described in Item 3rd be sold by my Executor on such time as he may think to the Interest of the parties concerned and that the proceeds of such sale together with the note & mentioned in Item 4th all be equally divided between my Grand Niece Harriet Glover and Vandal M. Glover, the children of my nephew David Glover, who have been mentioned above.
- Item 6. It is my will and desire that if either Harriet Glover or Vandal M. Glover should die without leaving child or children that then and in that case, the survivor be entitled to the whole of the share of the deceased one in the property that I have willed and this will do give to them

Item 7th I do hereby appoint my Nephew David Glover my
 Executor of this my last Will and Testament I hereby
 revoke and annul all former wills made by me.


In Testimony Whereof I Mary P. Mantz do
 hereunto set my hand and affix my seal this the Third
 day of February One Thousand Eight Hundred and fifty six
 and in the seventy ninth year of the American Independence

Signed, sealed and acknowledged
 as and for her last will and Testament
 in our presence

John Coltraw

Martha R. Zimmerman

J. A. Quarles

Mary P. Mantz 

State of South Carolina }
 Abbeville District }

Personally came John Coltraw, one of
 the subscribing Witnesses to the annexed paper, and being
 sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God makes oath
 that he was personally present, and did see Mary P.
 Mantz sign, seal, publish, pronounce, and declare the
 annexed 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 Martha R. Zimmerman and J. A. Quar-
 les together with himself, and in the presence of the Testa-
 trix and in the presence of each other, did sign their
 names as Witnesses to the due execution thereof.

sworn before me
 8 Sept 1856.

William Hill Oct @

John Coltraw.

State of South Carolina }
 Abbeville District }

Having examined John Coltraw
 one of the subscribing Witnesses to the annexed paper, and
 being satisfied that it is the true last will and Testa-
 ment of Mary P. Mantz. Ordered that it be admitted
 to Probate in common form.

William Hill Oct @

8 Sept 1856.

State of South Carolina }
 Abbeville District } Personally came David Glover,
 Executor named in the ann^d 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, P.
 Monty, 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 re-
 turn 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 laws.
 Sworn to before me
 8 Sept 1856 } D. M. Glover
 William Hill oc@ }

Last Will and Testament
of Louisa Wilson dec^d } The State of South Carolina
 In the name of God: Amen!!
 I Louisa Wilson, widow, of the District of Abbeville and State
 aforesaid, being of sound and disposing mind, memory and under-
 standing and desiring to dispose of my worldly estate do make this
 my last will and testament.
 All the property which I now own, consisting of Cash on
 hands, Choses in action and negroes I have received under
 the will of my late husband John Willson, who has therein
 bequeathed the same to me for and during my natural life, with
 full power on my part of disposing of the same by my last will
 and testament which I now do in manner following:
Item 1. My desire is that provision be made to pay from my estate all
 my just debts.
Item 2. I give and bequeath all the property of every nature and kind,
 of which I may die possessed under the will of my deceased hus-
 band, to such child or children as I may have living at the time
 of my death, to be equally divided amongst them share and share
 alike in case I should have more than one - And if any one of
 my children should die in my life time leaving a child or child-
 ren living at the time of my death, then and in that event I
 desire such child or children to represent the parent, and take
 such share of my estate as such parent would have been entitled
 to if living.
Item 3. It is my will and desire that the Estate hereby given to my
 (daughter)

daughter Eliza Stewart Willson in the second clause of this my last will and Testament shall be an Estate for and during her natural life only; and after her death, to such child or children as she may leave living at the time of her death share and share alike. But should my said Daughter Eliza Stewart Willson die without leaving a child or children living at the time of her death then and in that event I desire the estate herein given to her to be equally divided between my own brother and sisters or such of them as may survive her; and in this case I do not desire that the children of any deceased brother or sister should represent their parent - but I desire the Estate to be equally divided between those who may survive my said daughter Eliza Stewart Willson

Item 4th

It is my will and desire that the Estate which I have herein given to my said daughter Eliza Stewart Willson shall be for her sole and separate use and behoof (subject always to the limitations heretofore mentioned) not to be subject to the contracts or liabilities of any husband who she may have

Item 5th

should I die without leaving a child or children living at the time of my death then and in that event I give and bequeath my entire estate to be equally divided amongst my brother and sisters who should survive me share and share alike, to them and their heirs for ever.

Item 6th


It is my will and desire in the event that I should die leaving children surviving me, that my Executor herein after named shall use his own discretion and judgment either to sell my entire estate and divide the proceeds or to select good and prudent men to appraise my estate and impartially allot to each of my children his or her share therein.

Item 7.

I do hereby nominate constitute and appoint my Brother John B. Sample Executor of this my last will and Testament.

In witness whereof I hereunto set my hand and seal this twelfth day of December in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty three.

Signed sealed and delivered as his last will and testament by the testator in our presence who have subscribed our names as witnesses thereto in the presence of the testator and in the presence of each other

Louis Willson 

Isaac Branch, Henryell Branch
David R. Sordley

State of South Carolina } Personally came David R. Sondley, one of the
Abbeville District } 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 Louisa Wilson sign, seal, publish,
pronounced and declare, the within paper to be her last will and testa-
ment—and that the Testatrix was of sound and disposing mind, mem-
ory and understanding, to the best of his knowledge and belief—that
Isaac Branch & Henry M. Branch 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
27 Sept 1856.

David, R. Sondley

W. Hill. o. a. D.

State of South Carolina } Having examined David R. Sondley one of the sub-
Abbeville District } scribing witnesses to the within paper, and being
satisfied that it is the true last will and Testament of Louisa Wilson
decd, Ordered, that it be admitted to Probate in common form

27 Sept 1856.

William Hill o. a. D.

State of South Carolina } Personally came John B Sample Esq named
Abbeville District } 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 Louisa Wilson decd. and that he will
well and truly execute the same, by paying first the debts and then the
Legacies therein contained, so far as the goods and chattels will extend,
and the law charge him—that he will make and return into the
office of the Ordinary, of the said District, a true Inventory and
Appraisement of the Estate of the said deceased, within the time
prescribed by law

Sworn to before me

27 Sept 1856

W. Hill o. a. D.

J. B. Sample

Last Will and Testament of Joseph F. Black dec^d

State of South Carolina }

Abbeville District }

In the name of God, Amen.

I, Joseph F. Black calling to mind the uncertainty of life, do make & ordain this my last Will and testament. It is my will that out of the money I have on hand at my decease my funeral expenses and such debts as I may owe, be paid off, and the balance given to my wife Sarah M. Black to be applied in the maintenance of my family as she may think best. It is next my will that my negro boy Patrick be kept & the proceeds of his labor be applied to the support of my family & the education of my children until my youngest child attains the age of twenty one years, at which time I will that said negro boy be sold by my Executors hereinafter named, & the proceeds of such sale be equally divided among my said wife & children share & share alike, the child or children of any of my deceased children taking the share to which it's or their parents would have been entitled under this my will. I do hereby constitute and appoint my wife said Sarah M. Black & my brothers James A. & Wesley A. Black, Executors of this my last will & testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand this fourth day of September Eighteen hundred and fifty six.

Joseph, F., Black

signed, proclaimed & published
to be the last will of the testator
in our presence & witnessed by us
in his & each others presence as such,
at the request of the testator

James Young
Almanza L. Black
Richard Duncan

State of South Carolina }

Abbeville District }

Personally came James Young 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 F. Black 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 Muzays L Black, and Richard Duncaw, 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

7 October 1856.

W. Hill. o. A. D.

James Young

State of South Carolina

Abbeville District

Having examined James Young, one of the subscribing Witnesses to the within paper, and being satisfied that it is the true Last Will and Testament of Joseph F. Black dec^d; Ordered that it be admitted to Probate in Common form.

7 Oct 1856

William Hill. o. A. D.

State of South Carolina

Abbeville District

Personally came Wesley A Black, one of the heirs 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 F. Black dec^d, and that he will well and truly execute the same, by paying first the Debts and then the Legacies therein contained, so far as the 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 to before me

7 Oct 1856

W. Hill o. a. d.

Wesley A. Black

Last Will and Testament
of John O. Scott dec^d

In the name of God. Amen

I John O. Scott of Abbeville District, and State of South Carolina being of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding, do make and establish this my last will and testament in manner and form as follows.

1st I will and desire that all my property of whatever kind I may die possessed of remain in common for the use and benefit of my family

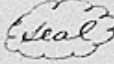
2^d I will and desire that my wife and children continue to reside upon the plantation, and that they receive a maintenance and support out of the income of the Estate,

(contd)

- 3^d. I will that my children receive a suitable education, the expenses of which to be paid out of the Estate so long as it remains undivided.
- 4th. That should my wife die, or marry again, or when either of my children come of age, then it is my will that my Executors hereinafter named, do call in five disinterested men, who shall make distribution of my estate my wife to receive one third part in value, the remainder to be equally divided between my children, share and share alike.
- 5^d. I do constitute and appoint my brother in law Samuel R. Morrah, and my brother Thomas B. Scott Executors of this my last will and testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this sixth day of October A.D. 1856.

In presence of
 W. O. Talman
 P. Le Roy
 J. Oliver Lindsay

John. O. Scott 

State of South Carolina }
 Abbeville District } Personally came P. Le Roy 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 O. Scott, 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. Oliver Lindsay, and W. O. Talman 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 15 Oct 1856.

P. Le Roy

W. Hill. o.A.D.

State of South Carolina }
 Abbeville District } Having examined P. Le Roy, one of the subscribing Witnesses to the within paper, and being satisfied that it is the true last will and Testament of John O. Scott dec'd; Ordered that it be admitted to Probate in Common form.

William Hill o.A.D.

15 Oct 1856

State of South Carolina }

Abbeville District } Personally came Thomas B. Scott, one
of the Exors 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 B. Scott
dec? - and that he will well and truly execute the same, by pay-
ing 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 Orde-
nary, 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 }
15 Oct 1856 }

Tho^t B. Scott

The last Will and Testament of Nancy Crawford.

In the name of God Amen.

I, Nancy Crawford being in feeble health but in perfect mind
and memory and calling to mind the uncertainty of life and
the certainty of death. I ordain and make this my last
will and Testament,

In the first place I recommend my soul to god who give it
and my body to be decently interred. And as touching the
things of this world that it hath pleased god to bless me
with, I dispose of in the following manner.

I leave and bequeath to my beloved sister Mary
Crawford all my interest in the negro women Letty that be-
longs to her and myself jointly, together with all the property
that I may be in possession of at my Decease and all my
Notes and Cash and accounts Goods and Chattels, and I
do constitute and appoint my sister Mary Crawford my sole
Executor or Executrix to this my last will and Testament.
in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal
this the Thrid of August in the year of our Lord One thousand
eight hundred and fifty four

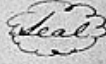
signed and acknowledged

in the presence of

D. O. Mecklin

Wm B Scott

Margaret A. Scott

Nancy Crawford 

State of South Carolina }

Abbeville District } Personally came William
B. Scott 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 Nancy Crawford sign, seal,
publish, pronounce and declare, the within paper to
be her last will and Testament— and that the Tes-
tatrix was of sound and disposing mind, memory
and understanding, to the best of his knowledge and
belief— that D. O. Meeklin, and Margaret A. Scott,
together with himself, and in the presence of the Tes-
tatrix, and in the presence of each other, did sign their
names as Witnesses to the due execution thereof.

Sworn before me

7 Oct 1856.

W. Hill. C. A. D.

Wm B. Scott

State of South Carolina }

Abbeville District } Having examined Wm B
Scott, one of the subscribing witnesses to the within
paper, and being satisfied that it is the true Last
Will and Testament of Nancy Crawford dec^d;
Ordered, that it be admitted to Probate in common
form

7 Oct 1856

W. Hill. C. A. D.

State of South Carolina }

Abbeville District }

Personally came Mary Crawford 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 Nancy Crawford dec^d. and that she 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 her; that she 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 decedent, within the time prescribed by law

Sworn to before me 29 Oct 1856.

W. Hill. C. A. D.

Mary Crawford

Last Will and Testament of William Ware de. &c.

The State of South Carolina.

In the name of God Amen !!!

I William Ware of Abbeville District & State aforesaid, being of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding but knowing that it is appointed unto all men to die and being desirous of making some disposition of my estate and property do make this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all former wills by me made.

1. My will and desire is that all my just debts be paid.
2. I give devise and bequeathe unto my Executors herein after named a tract of Land containing One hundred and fifty acres, being the south East part of the tract of Land on which I now reside bounded by the Cambridge road lands of Allen Hodson & Turkey creek & the Horse water branch to be run along the above boundaries, being that part of my lands upon which James M. Vandiver now lives, to them their heirs & assigns in trust to and for the sole and separate use & behoof of my daughter Malinda S. wife of James M. Vandiver for and during her natural life and at her death to be divided equally between all her children discharged of all trust, the issue of any deceased child to represent the parent.
3. I give devise and bequeathe unto my grand children, the children of Nicholas M. Ware deceased, to wit William J. Ware Elizabeth S. Ware, Mary O. Ware, Colston Ware, Cornelia Ware & Catharine Ware the tract of land whereon they now reside containing about two hundred and ten acres more or less situate on the East side of the Cambridge road, the road to be the line between their tract and the tract of land upon which James Killingsworth now lives in equal shares to them their heirs and assigns forever, which land I value at four hundred dollars, to be taken by them at the said price as part of their share.
4. I will and direct that all the rest and residue of my estate both real and personal, except my negroes, be sold by my executors upon a credit of twelve months.
5. I give and bequeathe to the children of my daughter Patsy now deceased, who was the wife of Charles B. Foshee, to wit Mary now the wife of Joel Foshee, James Foshee, Washington & Castellana now the wife of John Sadler each five hundred dollars, to be in full of their shares of my estate, and to my great grand child, the child of Martha Foshee deceased five hundred dollars.
(payment)

payment to be made one year after my death.

6. The balance of my estate, including the negroes Proceeds of sale as aforesaid, notes & accounts due me, in which shall be reckoned the debts due me from my son-in-law & my sons & the money that I may have paid out for them, I direct to be divided by five disinterested freeholders, and one fifth part thereof I give to my son James A. Ware forever; one fifth part thereof I give to my son Nathaniel W. Ware forever and one fifth part thereof I give to the children of Nicholas W. Ware aforesaid in equal shares. And one fifth thereof I give to James A. Ware, Abner Magee & Capt. Saml Agnew and the survivor of them & his Executors, in trust nevertheless to and for the sole and separate use and behoof of my daughter Malinda S. Wife of James M. Vandiver not subject to the contracts debts engagements or liabilities of her present or any future husband, for and during her natural life and at her death to be divided amongst all her children share and share alike. And the other fifth part thereof I give to my Executors James A. Ware, Abner Magee & Capt. Samuel Agnew and the survivor of them & his Executors, in trust to and for the sole and separate use and behoof of my daughter Eliza wife of James Killingsworth not subject to the contracts debts engagements or liabilities of her present or any future husband for and during her natural life and at her death to be divided amongst her children share and share alike. The issue of any deceased child of both Malinda & Eliza to represent the parent & to take the share the parent would have taken if living. In making up the shares the debts due to me from my sons & son-in-law to be put into & to be received as part of the shares intended for my sons & Grand children and daughters respectively.

7. I hereby nominate & appoint my son James A. Ware & my friends Abner Magee & Capt. Samuel Agnew Executors of this my last will & testament.

On witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this twenty fourth February A.D. (1852) one thousand eight hundred and fifty two.

Signed sealed and acknowledged
& published in our presents who have
signed our names in the presents of
(the)

Jm Ware


The testator as witnesses to
the due execution hereof
Thos. C. Perren
J. M. Gowan
Jos. M. Perren

The State of South Carolina }
Abbeville District } Having executed my last will
and testament on the twenty fourth day of February in the year
of our Lord One thousand Eight hundred and fifty two, and
by the 7th Clause of the said will having appointed, my
son James A. Ware one of my Executors. I do by this Codicil
revoke so much of the said 7th Clause of my said will as
appoints my said son James A. Ware Executor thereof, and
in the room and stead of the said James A. Ware I do
hereby appoint my Friend G. M. Mattison Executor of my said
will. And I do hereby approve and confirm my said will
in all its parts except where in it is altered and amended
by this Codicil.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and
seal this 3 Oct 1855

signed, sealed & delivered
as the Codicil of the said
last will, and in our presence

J. M. Gowan
Jos. M. Perren
G. V. Carlington

Wm Ware 

State of South Carolina }
Abbeville District } Personally came James A. Perren
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 Wm Ware sign, seal
publish, pronounced, and declare, the said 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 Thos. C. Perren & James M. Gowan
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. And also that he the s^r J. M. Perren
J. M. Gowan, & G. V. Carlington in the presence of each other
and in the presence of Wm Ware, the testator, witnessed his
(Signature)

Signature to the Codicil in connection with the said Will
 Sworn before me this
 5th day of Nov 1856
 W Hill. O. A. S. } Jas. M. Ferrin

State of South Carolina }
 Abbeville District }

Having examined James M Ferrin
 one of the subscribing witnesses to the within paper, and
 being satisfied that it is the true last will and Testa-
 ment of Mr. Ware deceased. Ordered that it be admitted
 to Probate in Common form.

5 Nov 1856

W Hill. O. A. S.

State of South Carolina }
 Abbeville District }

Personally came G. M. Mattison
 one of the Exors 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 Ware decd - 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 chat-
 tels will extend and the Law charge him that he will
 make and return into the Office of the Ordinary, of the
 said District, a true Inventory and Appraisement of the
 Estate of the said deceased within the time prescribed
 by Law.

Sworn to before me
 8 Nov 1856

W Hill. O. A. S. }

G. M. Mattison

(Last Will of Cato Golman) In the name of God Amen.
A man of Color.

I, Cato Golman of the State of South Carolina
Abbeville District being of sound and disposing

mind and memory but weak in body, and calling to mind
the uncertainty of life, and being desirous of disposing of all such
worldly estate as it hath pleased God to bless me with do make and
ordain this my last Will in manner following, that is to say. —

I desire that after my Decease that all my crop shall be gathered,
and divided with my Crop Matthy Bug, which said Bug receives
the one fourth of said Crop and then the ballence of said crop to
be sold together with one Black mare and one or two horned cow, and
a certain portion of my Tracts of Land which I now live on, contain-
ing some Thirty or Forty Acres more or less to be surveyed and laid
out in mans following The line to be commened at a post oak corner
on the line of Archabald McFarris Land and to run in a strait
line to Long Cain Creeke, and out of the proceeds and moneys aris-
ing therefrom, all my just debts and Funeral Expences be paid.
and after payment of my debts and Funeral Expences. I give and
bequeath to my beloved Wife Judy the one half of all my personal
Estate and all my real Estate for and during her natural life —
and after her death I give the same to my Daughter Eliza to her
and the Heirs of her body for ever. But should my beloved Wife
and Daughter becom desirous of moving to a distant clime and
wish to sell or dispose of the affects above mentioned It is my
will and desire that they sell and dispose of both Real and
Personal Estate as it to them may seeme good and the proceeds
divided and disposed of as afore mentioned. I give and
bequeath to my daughter Eliza the one half of the moneys arising
from the sales of the aforementioned personal Estate to her and her
Heirs forever and it is my will that all the Estate both Real
and personal of what nature or quality soever not mentioned
hereinbefore or disposed of to be equally divided between my Wife
Judy and my daughter Eliza. and I give the same to them
there Heirs Executors and Administrators and assigns forever.

And lastly I do constitute and appoint my Friend G. J. Cannon
Executor of this my last will and testament by me herebefore made.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and affixed
my Seal this September in the year of our Lord one thousand
Eight Hundred and forty seven

signed, sealed, published and declared as and for
the last Will and Testament of the above named
Cato Golman in the presents of us.
John White. John Beauford. John L. Devlin

Cato X Golman
mark

State of South Carolina }
 Abbeville District } Personally came John I. Devlin
 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 Cato Goldman
 sign, seal, publish, pronounce, and declare, the within pa-
 per to be his last Will and Testament - and that the Testator
 was of sound and disposing mind, memory, and under-
 standing, to the best of his knowledge and belief - that John
 White and John Beauford, 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
 31 July 1855.
 William Hill O.A.S. } John I. Devlin

State of South Carolina }
 Abbeville District } Having examined John I. Devlin
 one of the subscribing witnesses to the within paper, and
 being satisfied that it is the true Last Will and Testament
 of Cato Goldman decd. Ordered, that it be admitted to
 Probate in Common form.
 31 July 1855. William Hill O.A.S.

(The last Will of William Dunn)

South Carolina }
 Abbeville District } In the name of God Amen
 I William Dunn of the State & Dis-
 trict aforesaid, being of a sound & disposing mind
 memory & understanding do constitute & ordain this
 to be my last Will & Testament.
 Item 1st - I will & bequeath unto my Sons Wm & Robert
 Dunn in trust for my daughter Nancy Morris
 the sum of One thousand dollars to her, her
 heirs & assigns forever, not subject to the debts
 contracts, or liabilities of Nelson Morris. I further
 bequeath to her the room in the House she now occu-
 pies as long as she thinks proper to occupy it.
 Item 2nd - I will & bequeath unto my daughter Margaret Dunn
 the sum of four hundred dollars to her, her heirs
 & assigns forever.

- Item 3rd I will & bequeath unto my son Wm. Dunn one negro Girl Amy to him, his heirs & assigns forever.
- Item 4th I will & bequeath unto my Grand daughter Abby Ann Dunn one negro Girl Charlotte, also two hundred & fifty dollars in cash to her, her heirs & assigns forever.
- Item 5th I will & bequeath unto my grand daughters Margaret Smith Jane Dunn & Elisabeth Swaney the sum of two hundred & fifty dollars to each one, to them their heirs & assigns forever.
- Item 6th I will & bequeath unto my son Robert Dunn all my Real Estate except One hundred acres to him his heirs & assigns forever.
- Item 7th I will & bequeath unto my beloved wife Abby Dunn One hundred acres of land including the Dwelling house with other out buildings to her while she lives, at her Decease to go to my son Robert Dunn. And furthermore after paying off all just debts & demands I do will & bequeath unto my beloved wife Abby Dunn all the rest and residue of my Estate of whatever kind or nature to her while she lives and at her Decease to be equally divided between my sons Wm. and Robert Dunn.

Item 8th I do hereby constitute & appoint my sons Wm. & Robert Dunn my Executors to this my last will & Testament.

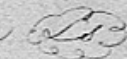
In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 24th day of February in the year A. D. One thousand eight hundred and fifty three

Signed sealed and Declared in the presence of the subscribing witnesses and witnessed in presence of the Testator

J. C. Williams

Joseph Dickson

A. Dunn

Wm. Dunn 

State of South Carolina.)

Abbeville District } Personally came Andrew Dunn 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 Dunn 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. C. Williams and Joseph Dickson 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 8th Decr 1856

William Hill, C.A.D.

Andrew Dunn

State of South Carolina

Abbeville District

Having examined Andrew Dunn, one of the subscribing Witnesses to the within paper, and being satisfied that it is the true last Will and Testament of William Dunn decd.; Ordered, that it be admitted to Probate in Common form.

8 Decr 1856

William Hill, C.A.D.

State of South Carolina

Abbeville District

Personally came William, & Robert Dunn both 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 Dunn decd., 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

8 Decr 1856

William Hill

C.A.D.

Wm Dunn

Robert Dunn

(Last Will and Testament of David Russell dec'd)

State of South Carolina } In the name of God Amen.
 Abbeville District } I David Russell of the
 District & State aforesaid being of sound & disposing
 mind & memory calling to mind the uncertainty of life,
 do make & constitute this my last will & testament.

Item 1st It is my will & desire that upon my demise, that my Executors
 hereinafter named do sell at public outcry all my Estate
 both Real & personal, and out of the proceeds thereof pay all
 my just debts.

Item 2^d After the payment of my debts as above directed I wish
 & do hereby will & bequeath unto my wife Elizabeth Russell
 should she survive me the one third of the whole of my
 Estate to be placed in the hands of my son John R Russell
 for her use & benefit & should any part of the same remain
 in his hands at my said wife's death the same is to be
 divided equally among my heirs at law as the portions
 hereinafter bequeathed are directed to be done.

Item 3^d It is my will & desire that the remaining two thirds of
 my Estate be divided among my children & grandchild-
 ren as follows my living children at the time of my
 death are to receive equal shares & my grandchildren
 of any of my now or hereafter deceased children are to
 receive among them the share or shares to which their
 parent or parents would if then living be entitled under
 this my will. As to the share of my son James A Rus-
 sell the same is to be paid over to my son Dr. John R.
 Russell for the use & benefit of my said son said James
 A Russell & to be forever exempt from his present or any
 future liabilities, debts or contracts. I do hereby authorize
 my Executors to make legal titles to my Real Estate when
 they sell the same and to do all lawful acts for carrying
 out my will as above set forth and I do hereby constitute
 & appoint my sons Dr. John R Russell, James A Russell &
 Robert W Russell & my nephew James A Black my Executors
 of this my last will & testament. In witness whereof I have
 hereunto set my hand and seal this fourteenth day of
 April Eighteen hundred and fifty six

Signed, sealed & declared
 & published in our presence

David Russell 

as the last Will & Testament of the Testator, & we as
Witnesses in the presence of the Testator & of each other
have witnessed the due execution hereof & at the
request of the Testator.

Wesley A. Black.

Richard Duncan

Mary Young.

State of South Carolina

Abbeville District } Personally came Richard Duncan
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 David Russell
sign, seal, publish, pronounce, and declare the within pa-
per to be his last Will and Testament - and that the Testa-
tor was of sound and disposing mind, memory and
understanding, to the best of his knowledge and belief -
that Wesley A. Black and Mary Young, 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

15 Decr 1856.

William Hill J.C.

Richard Duncan

State of South Carolina

Abbeville District } Having examined Richard
Duncan one of the subscribing witnesses to the within paper,
and being satisfied that it is the true last Will and
Testament of David Russell decd.: Ordered that it be
admitted to Probate in Common form

15 Decr 1856.

William Hill, C. J.

State of South Carolina

Abbeville District } Personally came John R. Russell,
one of the Exors 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 David Russell; 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 Chatter
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.

Sum before me

15 Decr 1856.

William Bell, Clerk

J. R. Russell.

Last Will of
Thomas Fulton
deceased

South Carolina }
Abbeville District }
viz.

In the name of God - Amen.

I Thomas Fulton of the District and state aforesaid being weak in body but of sound understanding and mind, make, declare, and publish this as my last will and testament: hereby revoking and declaring void all instruments of a similar character heretofore made by me.

Item 1st I desire that all my Estate real and personal be sold by my Executor on such terms and at such times as my Executor may think most advantageous: and power is hereby given to my Executor to sell and convey for such purposes.

Item 2nd I desire that what money and choses in action I may have on hand at my death, be (so far as they will go) applied to payment of my debts; and that my remaining debts be paid in full by the proceeds of the sale of my real and personal Estate as aforesaid; the amount of the debts being ascertained the payment of the same is to be taken from the proceeds of the sales of my real and personal Estate in such way that each fund real and personal will contribute for payment of my debts a sum in proportion to the value and amount of each fund real and personal.

Item 3rd After payment of my debts as aforesaid I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Sarah Ann, one third part of the proceeds of the sale of my real Estate. This provision and the subsequent one I intend and give in lieu and bar of her dower in my real Estate.

Item 4th All the balance of the proceeds of the sales of my real Estate I will and desire, be equally divided between my children Richard B. Fulton, Amanda M. Ingraham Eliza A. Fulton Jane Augusta Fulton, Francis C. Fulton, Leonora B. Fulton, Anna Adolis Fulton, Jordan W. Fulton, share and
(share)

share alike & my two Grandsons Samuel J. Fulton and John C. Fulton children of my deceased son Benjamin H. Fulton, whom I wish to take between them a child's part with my children aforesaid, namely the part I would have given to their father Benjamin H. Fulton had he been living.

Item 5th

Should either of my said Grandsons die leaving no wife nor children living at his death, the legacy given him shall go over to his surviving brother; and should the survivor die leaving no wife nor children living at his death all the bequest and legacy is to go over to my children named in the fourth Item of this my will.

Item 6th

I desire after payment of my debts as aforesaid all the proceeds of the sale of my personal estate be equally divided share and share alike between my children aforesaid named in the fourth Item of this will, my wife Sarah Ann and my two Grandsons aforesaid - my wife taking a child's part and my said two Grandsons a child's part, with my children aforesaid.

Item 7th

Should any of my children aforesaid die before me leaving children living at his or her death the legacy and bequest aforesaid to him or her shall not lapse, but his or her children shall represent the parent and take the legacy and bequest the parent would have taken had he or she survived me.

Item 8th

I have made advancements to some of my children, which will appear by reference to a Memorandum Book, on the first leaf of which is my name in large letters; I desire these advancements to be charged against the children who have received them so as to make the shares of all equal.

Item 9th

I am indebted to some of my children as Guardian which will appear by reference to the Book mentioned in last Item. I desire my Executors to pay as debts, such sums as I am due as Guardian as aforesaid.

Item 10th

I constitute and appoint my friends Robert H. Wardlaw, and Thomas B. Renny the Executors of this my last will and Testament.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this tenth day of July A.D. 1848

Thomas Fulton 

signed, sealed, declared, and published, by the above named Thomas Fullon, as and for his last will and testament, in the presence of us, who at his request, and in his presence have subscribed our names as witnesses thereto.

Thos Thomson

W. Aug. Lee

R. A. Fair.

State of South Carolina }

Abbeville District } Personally came Robert A Fair one of the subscribing witnesses to the within paper and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God makes oath that he was personally present and did see Thomas Fullon, 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 Thos Thomson and Wm Augustus Lee 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

19 Decr 1856.

W. Hill. Ord. Abbe. Dist

R. A. Fair

State of South Carolina }

Abbeville District } Having examined Robert A Fair one of the subscribing witnesses to the within paper and being satisfied that it is the true last will and testament of Thomas Fullon decd; Ordered, that it be admitted to Probate in common form

19 Decr 1856.

W. Hill. O. A. D.

State of South Carolina }

Abbeville District } Personally came Robert A Wardlaw for named in the within will and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, upon oath says that the within paper is the true last will of the said Thomas Fullon decd. and that he will well and truly execute the same, by paying first the debts and then the Legacies therein contained so far as the good and chattels will extend, and the law charge him, that he will make and return into the office

(of)

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

Shewn to before me
22 December 1856.

William Hill

C. A. D.

Robt H. Maulsby

Last Will and Testament

of Thomas B. Byrd dec'd

The State of South Carolina

In the name of God Amen!!!

I Thomas B. Byrd of Greenwood in the District of
Abbeville & State aforesaid being of sound and disposing
mind memory and understanding, but calling to mind
that we must all die, and being desirous of disposing
of my worldly estate and property do make this my
last Will and Testament, & do hereby revoke all former
wills by me heretofore made.

Item 1. It is my will and desire that all my just debts be paid

Item 2. I will devise and bequeath unto my wife Elizabeth
the following property, to wit: my house and lot in Green-
wood, whereon I now live, including all the land enclosed
and now under fence and no more, and negroes
Hobbes & his wife Lizzy & her child Savannah, Delfie
and her children Green, Beverly, Jabez Henry, Nancy
and Dorah with all their future increase, two horses, to
be chosen by her from those that I may leave at the time of
my death, my four wheel carriage, the beds and bedding
that I received by her & two other beds and bedding in
addition thereto, all my household and kitchen furniture,
except the beds and bedding, one yoke of Oxen & Cart, Six
hundred bushels of Corn six Barrels of Flour and fifteen
hundred pounds of Pork and four Cows & Calves. This provision
or Legacy to be in lieu of Dower, and my said wife Elizabeth
is hereby barred of all claim of Dower in any of my lands or
real estate.

Item 3. William Parks, son of my wife, having recently died in Texas
possessed of some property and estate, to which I may
have some right by virtue of my marriage with his mother,
I give devise and bequeath all the interest which I
have, or may have, in said estate & property to the children
of my said wife to wit: Lewis, James, and John T. Parks.

& Elizabeth wife of John Bennett joint to be equally divided between them.

Item 4. Having given by deed to Catharine Ashe a negro Girl named Martha, I now confirm said gift. I give and bequeathe unto Joseph Zebulun Hearst a negro boy named George.

I further give and bequeathe unto the said Catharine Ashe and Joseph Zebulun Hearst the following slaves to wit: Haniel (wife of old Israel dead), Mariak, Caroline, Sarah Charlotte, Levinia Maryland Butler and Samuel together with all their increase to be equally divided between the said Catharine Ashe and Joseph Zebulun Hearst.

Item 5. I will and direct that the rest and residue of my estate and property real and personal, except my negroes, be sold by my executor. - The Cotton on hand, or that may be growing, when gathered to be sold in market for cash - the personal property (except the small articles amounting to less than five dollars which is to be paid in cash) to be sold upon a credit of twelve months with interest from the day of sale - the lands and real estate to be sold upon the following terms, to wit: On a credit of one and two years, in equal instalments, with interest from day of sale. The purchase money to be well secured; and after the payment of all my debts and funeral expenses, my will and desire is that the whole estate including my negroes be divided into three equal parts for the use and enjoyment of my two children Dudley Byrd & Frances, wife of C. P. Vaughn and grand-daughter - daughter of my son the late John B. Byrd now deceased, subject to the restrictions, conditions and limitations hereinafter expressed. To ascertain the shares, and make them equal, I direct that my negroes be divided and valued by five disinterested freeholders, to be chosen by my executor, the three lots or shares to be made equal, the deficiencies in value of lots to be made up in money. In this division I direct that the negroes now in the possession of Dudley Byrd, to wit: Little Adams, valued at one thousand dollars, Margaret & her two children valued at eight hundred dollars, and my slave Big Adams to be valued at a fair price, be put into the lot or share of my son Dudley; and that the slaves Ben and Levinia now in the possession of my daughter Frances which I value at one thousand dollars each and my slave Willis to be valued at a fair price I

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direct to be put into the lot of my said daughter Frances, and that my valuable man slave Elzy, to be valued at a fair price I direct to be put into the lot or share of my said Grand-daughter. (These shares being all divided & in severally I give devise and bequeath unto my trusty friend James M. Perin In trust to have and to hold the same in severally to and for the sole and separate use and behoof of my son Dudley Byrd and Daughter Frances Vaughan and Grand-daughter aforesaid respectively. The shares of my daughter and Grand-daughter not to be subject to the contracts, control, debts or engagements of their present or any future husband. The trustee to permit my son, daughter & Grand-daughter respectively to use, possess, and enjoy their shares in as full and ample a manner as may be consistent with the security of the property; and he is authorized to take the custody and possession thereof, only when, in his judgment, he thinks it necessary to preserve it, with full power in the trustee hereby given him to invest any money that may come to his hands of the said estate in land, negroes or in other property, stocks or Bonds, as he may think best for the interest of my said children. The fee use and enjoyment of all the interest and profits of their shares being intended for my said children after all necessary and proper expenses have been paid and deducted.

As to my Grand-daughter aforesaid, I direct that after she has attained the age of ten years, that two hundred & fifty dollars, out of the interest or profits of her share be paid towards her education and maintained annually; the balance of the interest or profits of her share to be kept at interest by the trustee so as to yield a profit until she attains the age of twenty one years or marries and that upon the occurrence of either of these events, that then all the interest and profits of her share be paid over to her. The receipt of my son, daughter and Grand-daughter to be a good & sufficient discharge to the trustee for any money paid over by him to them. The said trustee is hereby authorized and directed to retain for his services two and a half per cent of all money received by him, & two and a half per cent of all money paid out by him, and in addition thereto I charge the said shares & estates with the further sum of three hundred dollars per annum to be paid to

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