


the said trustee - one hundred dollars from each of the shares or estates respectively.

The said trustee to hold the said shares and property and preserve the same in trust as aforesaid for and during the natural life of my said children and Grand-child aforesaid respectively, and upon the deaths of my said children and Grand-child the share or estate held as aforesaid for him or her so dying, I give to his or her issue to be equally divided between them if more than one child according to the statute of distributions of this State. And if either of my said children or said Grand-child should die without leaving issue at the time of his or her death then living, then the share or estate so held in trust for him or her to be held by the said trustee in trust for the survivors of the said three, subject to the same conditions and limitations as are provided for the estate herein given to the use of that survivor or survivors. This provision to apply in its full force to each of my three children aforesaid. And in case of failure of issue in one or more of the said children the issue of the survivors finally to receive the estate. And if those dying first should leave issue and the survivors or either of them should die without issue the issue of those first dying finally to take the estate.

And lastly I do hereby appoint my friends Albert Waller, Thomas C. Perin Francis Arnold, Allen Vauze and James M. Perin Executors of this will.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the seventh day of January in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and fifty six.

Signed, sealed & acknowledged  
& published in the presence of  
us who have signed our names  
in his presence & the presence of  
each other as witnesses to the  
due execution hereof

Thomas B. Byrd 

Emanuel J. Wisp  
W. L. Templeton  
H. W. Leland

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The State of South Carolina.

I Thomas B. Byrd of Greenwood Abbeville District and State aforesaid, do make the following Codicil to my last will and testament, to wit:

It is my further intention and desire, that the provision which I have made for my wife Elizabeth (as contained in 'Item 2', or the second clause of my last will and testament, executed on the seventh day of January in the year of our Lord Eighteen hundred and fifty six) shall be to her sole and separate use during her natural life, and at her death to the children of her body then living.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the twenty eighth day of October, in the year of our Lord Eighteen hundred and fifty six

signed, sealed and published & acknowledged in the presence of us, who have signed our names in his presence and the presence of each other, as witnesses to the due execution thereof.

Thomas B. Byrd

W. H. Blakely

W. W. Waller

F. G. Parks

The State of South Carolina

I Thomas B. Byrd of the District of Abbeville and State aforesaid do make the following additional Codicil to my last will and Testament.

It is my will and desire that of the provisions which I have made for my Grand daughter the daughter of my son John B. Byrd deceased in the 5<sup>th</sup> Item of my last will and testament one fourth thereof shall be given to my daughter-in-law Frances E. S. Byrd the widow of my son John B. Byrd deceased and mother of my said grand daughter - And I do hereby give and bequeath the said one fourth of the said portion given by the said 5<sup>th</sup> clause of my will, to my grand daughter, to my daughter in law the said Frances E. S. Byrd and her heirs forever - The remaining three fourths thereof to go to my said Grand daughter subject to the limitations and restrictions provided for in the said 5<sup>th</sup> Item of my will.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand (and)

and seal this second day of February in the year of our Lord  
One thousand eight hundred & fifty seven

Thomas B. Byrd (83)

The words "to my grand-daughter"  
intended before signing  
Signed sealed and acknowledged  
in the presence of  
W. L. Templeton  
F. G. Parks  
Emanuel J. Wisp.

The State of South Carolina } In Ordinary  
Abbeville District } 13 Feby 1857

Personally came before me, W. L. Templeton, one of  
the subscribing witnesses to the annexed paper and being  
sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God make oath that  
he was personally present and did see Thomas B. Byrd sign  
seal, publish, pronounce and declare the said paper to be  
his last will & Testament and that the Testator was of  
sound & disposing mind memory and understanding  
to the best of his knowledge & belief - and that Emanuel  
J. Wisp & H. W. Leland 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 in like manner he swears that he was personally  
present and did see the said Thomas B. Byrd sign, seal,  
publish, pronounce and declare the second Codicil thereto  
to be a true Codicil to his said last will and Testament,  
that, to the best of his knowledge and belief the said  
Testator was of sound and disposing mind memory and  
understanding; and that Emanuel J. Wisp & F. G. Parks, togeth-  
er with himself in the presence of each other, and of the  
Testator witnessed the due execution thereof.

And on the same day personally, came before me  
W. W. Waller, who in like manner being sworn, says that  
he was personally present, and did see the said Thomas  
B. Byrd, sign, seal, publish, pronounce and declare the  
first Codicil, dated the twenty eighth day of October A. D.  
1856, to be a true Codicil to his said last will and Testa-  
ment, that the said Testator was of sound and disposing  
mind, memory and understanding to the best of his know-  
ledge and belief - that W. R. Blake and F. G. Parks  
(together)

together with himself, and in the presence of each other,  
and in the presence of the Testator, witnessed the due execu-  
tion thereof

Sworn before me this  
13 February 1857  
William Hill  
Ct. D

W. L. Templeton  
W. W. Waller

State of S<sup>c</sup>. Ca }  
Abb. Dist }

Having examined W. L. Templeton &  
W. W. Waller two of the subscribing Wit-  
nesses to the annexed paper, and being satisfied that it  
contains the true last will and Testament of the said  
Thos B. Byrd dec<sup>d</sup>. Ordered that it be admitted to probate  
in Common form

13 February 1857

William Hill, C. J.

State of South Carolina }

Abbeville District }

Personally came Allen Vance  
Albert Waller and Francis Arnold, three of the Exors named  
in the will of Thomas B. Byrd, and being sworn on the Holy  
Evangelists of Almighty God upon oath says that the paper  
annexed is the true last will and Testament of the said  
Thomas B. Byrd dec<sup>d</sup>. That they will will and truly exe-  
cute 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 Abbeville District a true Inventory and appraisement of  
the estate of the said dec<sup>d</sup>. within the time prescribed by  
Law.

Sworn before me  
13 Feb 1857  
W. Hill, C. J.

Allen Vance  
Albert Waller  
F. Arnold

In the Matter of the  
will of Sarah Pace  
deceased

The State of South Carolina  
Abbeville District

In the Common Pleas.

Be it remembered that on the first Monday of March in the year of our Lord One thousand Eight Hundred and fifty six at Abbeville Court House in the District and State aforesaid comes Thomas Eakin claiming to be Executor, the Appellant before the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of said State, and gives the said Court here to understand and be informed that whereas an effort was made to prove the contents of the will of Mrs Sarah Pace deceased which will was in existence after her death but not produced on account of its loss or destruction the paper purporting to contain the contents of the will of the said Sarah Pace deceased was required by John Davis and wife, one of the Heirs at Law of the said Sarah Pace deceased, to be proved in solemn form of Law in the Court of Ordinary of the said District, and whereas upon the said trial in the said Court of Ordinary, which was held on the fourth day of September A. D. 1855. several grounds of exception were taken and filed assailing the validity of said paper and its contents as the legal and valid last will and testament of Sarah Pace deceased. And whereas also upon the hearing, William Bell Esq. Judge of the Court of Ordinary for said District pronounced against the said will and decided in the following words viz " On hearing the evidence in this case, I am not satisfied that any bequest has been definitely and positively established; and therefore decree accordingly" and refused therefore to admit the paper purporting to contain the contents of the will of Mrs Sarah Pace deceased to probate in solemn form of Law; from this decree of the Ordinary pronounced against the validity of the paper purporting to contain the contents of Mrs Pace's will propounded for probate as the last will, in substance of the said Sarah Pace deceased and refusing to admit the same to probate in solemn form the said Thomas Eakin, claiming to be Executor appealed, gave the notice required by Law, and filed the following grounds of appeal to wit - In the Matter of Mrs Sarah Pace's will. Thomas Eakin claiming

to be the Executor of the will of Mrs Sarah Pace, which was in existence after her death but has been lost or destroyed proffounds the last will and testament of Mrs Sarah Pace as follows. First Thomas Eakin named as Executor, second Negroes Charles and his family, Sinah Ann and Sarah and all their increase were left to Mrs. Louisa Brazel absolutely free from the control of her husband and to her sole and separate use. Third Negroes Hector and Ada and Franky and their increase were given to Lucinda Jane Cannon grand-daughter of Mrs Sarah Pace, and a gray Pony and two mules Kit and Sal and Braach, all the property given to Lucinda Cannon was to remain in the possession of Mrs Louisa Brazel until Lucinda come of age or married. Fourth the stock of cattle and hogs were divided equally between Lucinda Cannon and Mrs Brazel and the other Mules besides Kit and Sal were given to Mrs Brazel. Fifth the Land and plantation tools and Household and Kitchen furniture and all other personal property of testatrix was given to Mrs Brazel during her life to her sole and separate use and at her death without leaving children to Lucinda Jane Cannon and if Lucinda should die without leaving any children then the plantation if it ever should go to her with her whole legacy of personal property to go to the children of Richard Pace deceased &c. And the said paper having been refused probate as containing the contents of the will of Mrs Sarah Pace deceased, the said Thomas Eakin claiming to be executor appeals from said decision upon the ground that the said contents were proved and should have been admitted to probate by the Ordinary. It is therefore suggested to your Honors on the grounds set forth and herewith filed that the aforesaid decree of the Ordinary pronouncing against the validity of the said paper is erroneous and against law, and that the paper proffounded as containing the contents of Mrs Pace's will as aforesaid before the Ordinary and by him pronounced against is in law and fact the true last will and Testament of Sarah Pace Deceased and ought to be declared to be her last will and testament and probated as such.

McGowan & Perrin

For T. Eakin, Claiming to be Executor.

And the said John Davis and wife and others, the Cavalors  
and next of kin of Sarah Pace deceased by their Attorney  
Wilson, Lomas & Hadden come and affirm that the aforesaid  
decreed of the Ordinary pronouncing against the validity of the  
said paper is correct and according to law, and that the paper  
propounded as containing the contents of Mrs Sarah Pace's will  
as aforesaid before the Ordinary and by him pronounced against  
is not in law and in fact the true last will and testament  
of Sarah Pace deceased, and ought not to be declared to be her  
last will and testament and admitted to probate as such  
and this the Cavalors pray may be enquired of by the Country  
Wilson, Lomas & Hadden

And the plaintiff Thomas Calkin doth the like  
McGowan & Perrier.

We find that Sarah Pace died leaving in full force and  
effect her last will and testament which was duly  
executed and published and was in existence after her  
death of which we find that Thomas Calkin was executor  
we find that said will has been lost or destroyed since the  
death of the Testator. We find also that the following were  
the contents of said will namely First that the negroes  
Charles and his family Sinak Stan and all their increase  
including another child then living name unknown were  
left to Louisa Brazel absolutely free from the control of her  
husband and to her sole and separate use Secondly that the  
negroes Hector Adaline and Frankie together with their increase  
were given to Lucinda Jane Cannon a grand-daughter of the  
Testator and also a Gray Pony, two mules, Kit and Sal  
and the Brouck and further that all the property given to  
Lucinda Jane Cannon was to remain in the possession of Mr.  
Brazel until Lucinda came of age or married. Third we find  
that the stock of cattle and hogs were to be divided equally  
between Lucinda Jane Cannon and Mr Brazel. Fourth, we  
find that the land was given to Mrs Louisa Brazel during  
her life to her sole and separate use.

M. B. Latimer. Foreman  
Vind: 7 March 1857. & Ent<sup>d</sup> on Journal

(Cont<sup>d</sup> over)

Thomas Eakin  
 Claiming to be  
 Exor. vs  
 John Davis & wife  
 & others

In the Common Pleas.

Abbeville District.

It is ordered that the record and verdict  
 be copied and certified by the Clerk under  
 the seal of the Court, to the Ordinary

John Belton O'Neal

Residing Inways. March 7<sup>th</sup> 1857

South Carolina

Abbeville District

I Matthew McDonald, Clerk of the  
 Court of Common Pleas for said District, do hereby certify that  
 the five preceding pages contain a true copy of the Suggestion,  
 Plea & Issue, Verdict of the Jury, and the Order of the Court,  
 on an appeal from the Court of Ordinary to the Court of Common  
 Pleas, in the matter of the last will & Testament of Sarah Pead  
 dec'd, in which appeal Thomas Eakin, Claiming to be Exor was  
 the Actor and John Davis & wife & others were the appellers  
 which appeal was disposed of, at Spring term of the Court of  
 Common Pleas for Abbeville District

Given under my hand & the seal of the Court of  
 Com. Pleas, at Abbeville, the fifteenth day of  
 March Anno Domini 1857.

Matthew McDonald

C. C. P.

Last Will & Testament  
 of  
 Robert Brady dec'd

The State of South Carolina  
 Abbeville District.

In the name of God Amen.

I, Robert Brady, Planter of the District and State  
 aforesaid, being in feeble health, but of sound mind and  
 memory, make this my last Will and Testament in  
 manner and form following (viz)

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

Second. I give, bequeath, and devise all my estate both real and  
 personal to my beloved wife, Sarah Brady, for and during  
 her natural life, for her use and benefit, and to enable  
 her to raise and educate my children who may at  
 my decease not have completed their education

Third. - It is my will, and I direct that my executor and  
 executors hereinafter to be named, or such of them as may  
 qualify to sell my plantation, adjoining lands of John



I. Reid W. W. Belcher and others, now held by me as a quarter, as soon after my decease as practicable, without making a sacrifice of it in any respect, at such time, and on such terms as they may deem most to the interest of my legates, and I authorize and empower them to make good and sufficient titles to the purchaser or purchasers of the same, and further it is my will and I direct them to invest the proceeds of said sale of land in such manner as they may think will be most for the interest of the legates of my estate, and further, I direct and empower my executor and executors or such of them as may qualify to sell, exchange or dispose of any part of my estate as they may think proper.

Fourth - It is my will, and I direct that each of my children shall have a good education in English, and my sons a collegiate one if their capacity and inclination will warrant the effort, and it is my will, and I direct that my beloved wife, and my executors or such of them as may qualify to direct and superintend the education of all my children who may be minors at my decease.

Fifth - It is my will and I direct that on a final settlement of my estate, that each of my daughters be charged with five hundred dollars as the expences of her education, and that each of my sons be charged the same amount for his education preparatory to his entering college, that each of my sons be allowed one thousand dollars to bear their collegiate expences and not to be accounted for in the final settlement of my estate, unless they, or any of them, should refuse to take a collegiate education, or after having entered college, stop before they graduate, in such case they are to be allowed no part of the amount provided for their collegiate education unless after having entered college they or any of them should be Providentially prevented from completing their course, in this case such son or sons to be allowed the amount he or they may have expended, the same not to exceed One thousand dollars without requiring him or them to account for this amount thus spent, on a final settlement of my estate.

Sixth - It is my will, and I direct that my beloved wife may, with, and by the consent and advice of my executors hereinafter to be named or such of them as may qualify, to give to each of my children as they may marry or settle

a reasonable part of my estate, so that said portion shall not exceed the amount which it will take to make each child equal on a final settlement of my estate. Each child who has received a portion from me during my life, and each one who may receive a portion after my decease to be charged with the same in the final settlement of my estate.

Seventh. - It is my will, and I direct my executors hereafter to be named or such of them as may qualify after the death of my beloved wife, Sarah Brady, to divide my estate equally between and among my surviving children so that they may share and share alike under the above provisions made in this my last Will and Testament.


Should it become necessary in order to make an equal division of my estate on a final settlement to sell any part, or the whole, then it is my will, and I direct that my executors or such of them as may qualify to sell such part or the whole at such time or times and on such terms as he or they may think best, and I hereby authorize and empower him or them to make good and sufficient titles to the same.

Eighth - I hereby nominate, constitute, and appoint my beloved wife Sarah Brady executrix, and my friends John S. Reid & William W. Belcher executors of this my last Will and Testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this twenty fourth day of February in the Year of Our Lord One thousand eight hundred and fifty five and in the seventyninth year of the Independence of the United States of America.

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

Wm. H. Davis,  
Lewis Corwin  
Paul Rogers

R. Brady 

State of South Carolina

Abbeville District } Personally came Lewis Covin  
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  
Robert Brady sign, seal, publish, pronounce, 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 Mr H Davis and Paul Rogus, together  
with himself, and in the presence of the Testator and in  
the presence of each other, did sign their names as  
witnesses to the due execution thereof

Sworn before me  
this 4th June 1857

Lewis Covin

William Hill. O. C. D.

State of South Carolina

Abbeville District } Having examined Lewis  
Covin one of the subscribing Witnesses to the annexed  
paper, and being satisfied that it is the true Last Will  
and Testament of R. Brady dec<sup>d</sup>.: Ordered, that it be  
admitted to Probate in common form.

4 June 1857

W. Hill. O. C. D.

State of South Carolina } Personally came Sarah Brady  
Abbeville District } & J. S. Reid Esq. & Esq. named  
in the annexed will and being sworn on the Holy Evan-  
gelists of Almighty God, upon oath says that the within  
paper is the true Last Will of the said Robert Brady  
dec<sup>d</sup>. 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

4 June 1857

W. Hill. O. C. D.

Sarah Brady

J. S. Reid.

(Last Will and Testament of Jane Reid dec<sup>d</sup>)

In the name of God - Amen! -

I, Jane Reid, wife of William R. Reid, of the District of Abbeville, and state of South Carolina, but notwithstanding my coverture, having the right and power to dispose by will of the property now in my use and possession to wit - of the Tract of Land conveyed to me by William S. Boag, and the Tract purchased by me of James P. Graves, for which a deed of conveyance has not yet been executed, which Tracts of Land adjoin and constitute the Farm which I cultivate, and on which I now live - and the following slaves - to wit - Tina, Suddy, Penning, Mary, Manda, Caroline, Margaret, Kitty, Martha, Ellick, Louis, Henry, Anderson, Bill and Army, and the mules, horses, Cattle, hogs, and articles of small value that are now in my use and possession -

Being of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding, do make this - my last will and testament - as follows - I give, devise, and bequeath to my Brother Gabriel Cox and my friend, Octavius J. Porter, all the property herein before enumerated and described, which is now in my possession and use - to them, their heirs and executors, upon and for the objects, purposes and trusts following - that is to say - that the said property be kept together, as it now is, until the death of my Husband William R. Reid, and that with the proceeds of crops and profits of farm my debt to James P. Graves, for the purchase of the place upon which I now live, and all other just and legal debts of my contracting be paid - I mean the debts which I may have contracted within the last four years. - That my Husband, William R. Reid, be allowed a home on my Land and a sufficient and proper support out of the crops which shall be made on the farm; but this provision for his support and maintenance is on the express condition that it is not, and shall not be, in anywise, subject to his assignment and disposal, nor to his creditors, either present or future - after the death of my said Husband, it is my will and desire that all my property, herein before enumerated and mentioned, together, with the increase and profits thereof, be divided into ten shares of equal value two of which I give, (devise)

devise, and bequeath to my Brother Gabriel Cox, - one to my Brother Christopher Cox, and the remaining seven shares to my Nephews and Nieces - the children of my Brothers, Cornelius Cox, Leroy Cox, and Bailey Cox and of my sisters, Bethana Paw, and Phoebe Rice, share and share alike.

And I do hereby nominate and constitute my Brother, Gabriel Cox, and my friends Delavus Packer, executors and trustees of this, my last will and testament.

In witness whereof I have subscribed my name, this twenty ninth day of April, Anno Domini, One thousand eight hundred and fifty seven.

Jane Reid

Signed and published  
as and for her last will  
in our presence.

W. Tennent

Paul Rogers

J. A. Gibbet

State of South Carolina }  
Abbeville District }

Personally came W. Tennent, 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 Jane Reid, sign, seal, publish, pronounce, and declare the said 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 Paul Rogers & J. A. Gibbet, 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.

W. Tennent

Sworn before me

this 11 June 1857

W. Hill, O. A. D.

(Continued)

State of South Carolina }  
Abbeville District }

Having examined W. Tennent, one of the subscribing witnesses to the annexed paper, and being satisfied that it is the true last will and Testament of Jane Reid decd.: Ordered, that it be admitted to Probate in common form

11 June 1857.

W. Hill, C. C. D.

State of South Carolina }  
Abbeville District }

Personally came Octavius Porehu Esq named in the annexed 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 Jane Reid 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 here-  
that he will make, and return into the office of the Ordinary, of the said District, a true Inventory and Appraisalment of the Estate of the said deceased, with-  
in the time prescribed by law.

Sworn to before me

11 June 1857

W. Hill C. C. D.

Octavius J. Porehu

Last Will & Testament }  
of }  
Hamilton T. Miller }

State of South Carolina }  
Abbeville District }

In anticipation and full prospect of my approaching dissolution and being in full possession of my mental faculties I do hereby make and constitute this my last Will and Testament.

Item 1st I desire my whole personal and real Estate to be sold on a twelve months credit with interest from day of sale

Item 2d I desire all my just and lawful debts to be paid

Item 3d I will and bequeath unto my beloved Wife Elizabeth Caldwell the sum of Two Thousand Dollars

Item 4 I give and bequeath to my eldest Daughter Laura Amaranthia the sum of Four Thousand Dollars.

(Item 5)

- Item 5<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath unto my Eldest son John Julius the sum of Four Thousand Dollars
- Item 6 I will and bequeath unto my second Daughter Eugenia Anna the sum of Two Thousand Dollars
- Item 7 I will and bequeath unto my second son Orrin Bonman the sum of Two Thousand Dollars.
- Item 8 In case I should have another bodily Heir by my wife Elizabeth C. I give and bequeath unto it the sum of Two Thousand dollars.
- Item 9 In the event that my Estate should not make the above amounts as specified. It is my Will that each Heir shall receive in proportion to the sums before mentioned as above.
- Item 10<sup>th</sup> Should there be a surplus I desire that the amount should be equally distributed between my Wife and my Children
- Item 11 I hereby appoint Dr Jas L Miller and my Wife as Executor and Executrix of this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all former Wills by me made.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 11th August in the year of our Lord 1857

Hamilton T Miller

signed sealed and acknowledged  
in the presence of us, Who in his presence  
and in the presence of each other  
have hereunto subscribed our names

Lemuel Reid  
Jas B. Kay  
John L. Ellis

State of South Carolina }  
Abbeville District }

Personally came John L. Ellis & Jas B. Kay, two of the subscribing Witnesses to the annexed paper, and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God make oath that they were personally present, and did see Hamilton T Miller, sign, seal, publish, pronounce, 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 their knowledge and belief - that Lemuel Reid, together with themselves, and in the presence of the Testator, and in the presence of each other, did sign their names as Witnesses to the due execution thereof

sworn before me this  
21<sup>st</sup> August 1857  
William Hill o.a.d.

John L. Ellis  
J. B. Kay

State of South Carolina }  
Abbeville District } Having examined John L. Ellis &  
Jas B. Kay two of the subscribing Witnesses to the annexed  
paper, and being satisfied that it is the true last Will and  
Testament of Hamilton T. Miller. Ordered, that it be admitted  
to Probate in Common form.

21<sup>st</sup> Augt 1857

William Hill. O.A.D.

State of South Carolina }  
Abbeville District }

Personally came Jas T. Miller, & Eliza-  
beth C. Miller Esq. & Esq. named in the annexed 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 Hamilton T. Miller dec'd. and that they will will  
and truly execute the same, by paying first the Debts and  
then the Legacies therein contained, so far as the goods and  
chattels will extend, and the law 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<sup>st</sup> August 1857  
William Hill.  
O.A.D.

J. L. Miller  
Elizabeth C. Miller

Last Will & Testament  
of  
Frances Moore dec'd

State of South Carolina  
Abbeville District

I Frances Moore of the State and  
District aforesaid being far advanced in life, but of  
sound mind and disposing memory, Deem it proper to  
dispose of the property which God in his kind Providence  
has placed in my possession and at my disposition  
in manner and form as follows:

And first, I give and bequeath to Joseph Kennedy



Moses, Shed, Alect, Nancy and Leah, and should his wife, Rebecca, die without Issue they are to revert at her death to my grand children Frances G. and William G. Cunningham or the proceeds thereof should he find it necessary to sell any of them.

2nd I will to John W Brooks the boy Sam whom he now has in possession.

3rd I will to Joseph Kennedy the woman Mary whom he now has in possession.

4th. Edmund, Lawyer and Patsy, I will and bequeath to William G. Cunningham

5th I give and bequeath to Frances G Cunningham Sarah and her three Children Dicy, Mary, and Marion, and also the girl Rhoda.

Should Frances G and William G. Cunningham die before my daughter Rebecca I wish all their property to return to her and at her death to go to my brother Titus Murrays Children.

All the balance of my Estate both real and personal I direct to be sold on a credit of twelve months and the proceeds thereof to be equally divided between Rebecca Kennedy and my two grand children Frances G. and William G Cunningham and that at the death of R Kennedy her share to revert to my two grand Children named above.


And I do hereby constitute and appoint Joseph Kennedy & James R. Cunningham Executors of this my last Will and Testament and lastly I do hereby revoke all Wills by me heretofore made and confirm this only.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this first day of July in the year of our Lord 1856

A. Giles

Jas. M. Martin

A. J. Clinkscals

Francis G. Moore <sup>his</sup>   
mark

State of South Carolina

Abbeville District } Personally came A. J. Clinkscals  
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 Francis Moore, sign, seal, publish, pronounce, and declare the  
(said)

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 J. Giles & James M. Martin 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

7 Sept 1857

W. Hill o. a. d.

A. J. Clinkscale

State of South Carolina

Abbeville District

Having examined A. J. Clinkscale, one of the subscribing witnesses to the annexed paper, and being satisfied that it is the true last Will and Testament of Frances Moore dec'd - Ordered, that it be admitted to Probate in Common Form.

7 Sept 1857.

W. Hill. o. a. d.

State of South Carolina

Abbeville District

Personally came Joseph Kennedy for named in the annexed 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 Frances Moore 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 dec'd, within the time prescribed by law.

Sworn to before me

7 Sept 1857

W. Hill o. a. d.

J. J. Kennedy

(Last Will & Testament of Margaret Riddle do<sup>r</sup>)

State of South Carolina)

Abbeville District } In the name of God Amen.

I, Margaret Riddle of the District and State aforesaid being of sound and disposing mind and memory, make this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following, (W<sup>it</sup>)

First - After the payment of all my lawful debts, I give, bequeath, and devise all my estate both real and personal to my niece Rebecca Thornton, to her and her heirs forever.

Second - It is my will, and I direct my Executor hereinafter to be named, to give all my wearing apparel, household and kitchen furniture to my niece Rebecca Thornton without exposing them to sale, at the appraisement price.


Third - It is my will, and I direct that my executor shall sell the balance of my estate at such time and on such terms as he may think best for the interest of my said niece Rebecca without an order from any Court to do so. - and I hereby authorize and empower my executor to sell my plantation on which I now live at such time and such terms as he may think most for the interest of my legatee above named, and I authorize and empower him to make good and sufficient titles to the purchaser of the same.

Fourth - I hereby nominate, constitute, and appoint my friend, John S. Reid, executor of this my last will and Testament.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto affixed my hand and seal this twenty fifth day of October in the year of our Lord One thousand, eight hundred and fifty-six and in the eighty first year of the Independence of the United States of America.

Signed, sealed, published  
and delivered in the presence  
of us who at the request of the  
Testatrix and in the presence  
of each other, have subscribed  
our names as witnesses thereto

William Pennal  
Robert S. Dixon  
Thomas A. C. Ligon

Margaret <sup>her</sup> Riddle <sup>mark</sup> 

State of South Carolina

Abbeville District } Personally came Robert S. Dixon,  
 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 Margaret  
 Riddle, sign, seal, publish, pronounce, and declare, the said  
 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  
 William Pennal, and Thomas A. C. Lyon together with him-  
 self, and in the presence of the Testatrix, and in the presence of  
 each other, did sign their names as witnesses to the due execu-  
 tion thereof.

Sworn before me this  
 26 August 1857.

William Hill o.a.d.

Robert S. Dixon

State of South Carolina

Abbeville District } Having examined Robert S. Dixon  
 one of the subscribing witnesses to the annexed paper, and being  
 satisfied that it is the true last Will and Testament of Mar-  
 garet Riddle dec<sup>d</sup>. - Ordered, that it be admitted to Probate  
 in common form

26 Aug<sup>r</sup> 1857

William Hill o.a.d.

State of South Carolina

Abbeville District } Personally came John S. Reid  
 Executor named in the annexed 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 Margaret  
 Riddle dec<sup>d</sup>. - 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 here, that he will make and return into  
 the office of the Ordinary, of the said District, a true In-  
 ventory and appraisement of the Estate of the said deceased,  
 within the time prescribed by law

J. S. Reid

Sworn to before me

26 August 1857

William Hill

O.A.D.

(Last Will of John Davis dec<sup>d</sup>)

State of South Carolina }

Abbeville District }

In the name of God Amen!

I, John Davis, of the District & State aforesaid, being of sound and disposing mind, do make and publish the following, as and for my last Will and Testament, to wit-

- 1<sup>st</sup> I desire all my just debts and funeral expenses to be paid as soon as practicable after my death.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> I will and bequeath to my wife, Ursula Davis, the whole of my estate, both real & personal, during her life time or widowhood.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> At the death or marriage of my said wife, Ursula, I desire all my property both real and personal to be sold by my Executor, on such terms as they may deem advisable; and the proceeds to be divided equally between my sons and daughters then living, and my grand daughter, Lucinda Tucker, each amounting, by bringing into hotet pot the advancements made by me to them in my life time, so that each child may be equal, estimating the advancements already made or to be made. If any of my sons or daughters be dead, leaving a child or children living, such child or children to receive the share that the parent if living would have been entitled to.
- 4<sup>th</sup> The share of my grand daughter, Lucinda Tucker, (after accounting for an advancement of six hundred and twenty-seven (627) Dollars) I bequeath to Edward Davis, John Davis and Winston H. Davis, in trust for the said Lucinda, for and during her life, to her sole and separate use and behoof, not subject to the debts, contracts or control of any husband she may have, and at her death, to any lawful child or children she may have living; but should she leave no such child or children living, then said share to be divided equally between my sons and daughters; the child or children of any deceased son or daughter to take the share that the parent if living would have been entitled to.
- 5<sup>th</sup> The share of my daughter, Lucy Hadden, wife of Wilson Hadden (the accounting for all advancements) I bequeath to Edward Davis, John Davis and Winston H. Davis, for her sole and separate use for life, and upon precisely the (same)

same trusts and limitations in every respect as the share fourthly above willed to Lucinda Tucker.

6th My daughter Mandeline, now the wife of Elias Ray, was formerly the wife of one Theodore Baker, by whom she had two children, to wit, John T. Baker, and Theodore Baker, minors, now living. The share of the said Mandeline Ray, (she accounting for all advancements made to her) I will to Edward Davis, John Davis and Winston H. Davis, in trust for the said Mandeline, for and during her life, to her sole and separate use and behoof, not subject to the debts, contracts or control of her present or any future husband. And at her death I will and desire that her said share be divided into two equal parts, one of which parts I will to her two above named children by her first husband, if living, share and share alike, & in case of the death of both or either of them before the period of distribution, I will then half to their children per stirpes then living; and in case of the death of one of them before the period of distribution, without leaving issue living, I will the whole half to the other, or if dead, to any children he may have left then living; or if both shall have died before the period of distribution, without leaving issue living, the said half is to revert to my estate and go to my sons and daughters then living share and share alike, the child or children of any deceased child taking the share the parent would have been entitled to.

The other half of the share of the said Mandeline Ray I will, on her death, share and share alike to her children by her present husband, Elias Ray, that may be living at her death - the children of any deceased child taking the share of the parent. But if she should die without leaving issue then living by the said Elias Ray himself, or if then dead, to his heirs at law.

7th The advancements to each of my children which are to be brought into hotchpot and accounted for, will be found in a book kept by myself, and in my own handwriting - and these are the only advancements of which an amount is to be taken in settling

8 I appoint Edward Davis and John Davis, my sons, Executors of this my will. Witness my hand & seal this 6 Sept 1853

Witnesses, Elias Eagle  
W. D. Grant  
P. S. Vanduser

John Davis (seal)

State of South Carolina } Personally came Elias Earle, one of  
 Abbeville District } 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 John  
 Davis, sign, seal, publish, pronounce, 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 V. D. Fant, and  
 P. S. Vandiver, 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 } Elias Earle  
 11th Sept 1857. }  
 William Hill o.a.B. }

State of South Carolina }  
 Abbeville District } Having examined Elias Earle  
 one of the subscribing witnesses to the annexed paper, and  
 being satisfied that it is the true last will and testament  
 of John Davis dec'd. Ordered, that it be admitted to Probate  
 in Common form  
 11 Sept 1857 } William Hill o.a.B.

State of South Carolina }  
 Abbeville District } Personally came Edward Davis  
 Executor named in the annexed 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  
 Davis dec'd. - and that he will well and truly execute the  
 same by paying first the debts and then the Legacies there-  
 in 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 } Edward Davis  
 11 Sept 1857 }  
 W Hill. o.a.B. }

(The Last Will of Edward Filman dec<sup>d</sup>)

The State of South Carolina)

Abbeville District } In the name of God Amen! -

I Edward Filman, farmer, being of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding, but weak in body, do make and ordain this my last will and testament; hereby revoking all other wills by me made. -

Item 1<sup>st</sup> I desire all my just debts to be paid, and after the payment of my debts I wish my property to be disposed of as follows. -

second. I will and devise unto my dearly beloved wife Kitty for and during her natural life the tract of land on which I reside containing about nine hundred acres; and after her decease it is my will that the same be sold by my Executors and the money arising from the sale thereof to be equally divided between my three daughters Joy wife of Wm. A. Wardlaw, Kitty C. Filman, and Sarah S. Filman share and share alike, the same to the sole and separate use of each, and subject to the same limitations as hereinafter provided in reference to the negroes given to them. -

Third. I give and bequeath also, to my wife Kitty to her and her heirs forever, the following negroes and other property, David and his wife Letty, Charles and his wife Amber, Thom and his wife Polly, Squire, Henry, Fanny, Molly, Amelia, Elyza, Martha and Frances, together with all my household and kitchen furniture, Horses, Cattle and stock of every kind and plantation tools, all of which she may dispose of as she pleases. - This provision is in lieu and bar of dower.

Fourth. To my daughter Joy Wardlaw I have previously given the following named negroes - which gift is hereby confirmed and approved - viz Army, Mariak and William, and my Aaron. -

Fifth. To my son Hiram Filman I have previously given negroes Sam, Wash, Beatrix and her four children Scott, Butler, Lyman and Etta. - A half section of land in the State of Mississippi, two mules a waggon and outfit, expenses paid to Mississippi, this with his College expenses, his expenses to Mexico and other small advances made are, I think his equal share of my Estate; nevertheless as I own a quarter section of land in Chickasaw Country Mississippi I now devise and bequeath the same to



my son Hiram his heirs and assigns forever. -

Sixth. I give and bequeath to my daughter Kitty C. the following negroes Clarissa and her children Rachel Julia David and Lewis, Leah and Edaw together with all their future issue and Clark and Ned. -

Seventh. I give and bequeath to my daughter Sally S. the following negroes Vinny and her children Etta Maria and Lizzy, woman Sarah, boy Isaac, girl Ann and boy Abraham, together with the future increase of the females. The division to take place when ever a majority of the legates think best. I appoint my dearly beloved wife Kitty testamentary Guardian of my daughter Sally S. -

Eighth. It is my will and desire that all the rest and residue of my estate, not hereinbefore disposed of, be sold by my Executors, and the proceeds of said sale be equally divided between my three daughters aforesaid share and share alike. The same to the sole and separate use of each, and subject to the same limitations as is hereinafter provided in reference to the negroes given to them. -

Ninth. Each of my children aforesaid except Sally S. had under the will of their uncle Hiram Filmore a small interest which some years ago came into my hands and has been used in common with my property, they are also entitled to a distributive share of the negro Squino, who belonged to my deceased son Edward. - These interests including the services of girl Caroline belonging to my daughter Kitty have been considered in making this will, and the provision herein made for each of my children is in payment of said claims as well as on account of the love and affection I bear them. The acceptance of the bequests and devises of this will is to bar forever the said claims of my children against my estate. -

Tenth. It is my earnest desire to secure to my unmarried daughters Kitty C. and Sally S. the property and money given to them by this will, free from the control and not subject to the misfortunes of their future husbands. - I therefore declare that the property, including the money which shall be due from the sale of property (to be reinvested) which is given to them respectively by this will, is given to each of them for life only, to their sole separate and exclusive use respectively not subject in any way to the debts contracts or engagements of their future husbands, - and upon the death of either of them, the share of the one so dying to be equally divided between the children which she

(may)

may leave living at the time of her death discharged of all trust: - including the children of any pre-deceased child, the children representing the parent and taking among them the share which the parent, if living, would have taken.

But if either of my said last named daughters should die without leaving child or grand-child living at her death, then the property and its income which such child received under this my will to go to such person or persons as she may bequeath the same to by her will regularly executed, notwithstanding her coverture if she be a married woman at the time of her death. -

Should either of my said daughters think of matrimony I desire that this provision of my will be communicated to the intended husband, and if he makes objection to it, I would advise my dear daughter to reject him, as I solemnly believe no honorable man, actuated by proper motives would object to a certain provision for his wife and children, which would place them in some measure beyond the reach of the casualties of life. -

Eleventh. I hereby appoint my beloved wife Kitty Tilman - my son Hiram Tilman, my son in law W A Wardlaw and my daughter Kitty C. Tilman Executors and Executrix of this my last will and testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this twenty-fifth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty five. -

Signed, sealed, published  
and declared in presence of

L Yarbrough  
W Jas Lomas  
A M Smith

Edu<sup>d</sup> Tilman 

State of South Carolina

Abbeville District } Personally came L Yarbrough, 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 Edu<sup>d</sup> Tilman sign, seal, publish, pronounce, 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

W. J. Lomas & A. M. Smith 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.

Seen before me this

L. Yarbrough

3<sup>rd</sup> Sept 1857

W. Hill, C. at. D.

State of South Carolina } Having examined L. Yarbrough  
Abbeville District } one of the subscribing Witnesses to the  
within paper, and being satisfied that it is the true last will  
and Testament of Edward Tilman dec'd: Ordained, that it be  
admitted to Probate in Common form

3<sup>rd</sup> Sept 1857

W. Hill C. at. D.

State of South Carolina } Personally came Hiram Tilman Esq  
Abbeville District } named in the said 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 Edward  
Tilman 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 said charge paid 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

Seen to before me

Hiram Tilman

3<sup>rd</sup> Sept 1857

W. Hill C. at. D.

Last Will & Testament  
of Moses Ashley dec'd

State of South Carolina,  
Abbeville District.

In the name of God, Amen, I Moses  
Ashley Sen: of the state & district aforesaid being old  
& frail in body, but of sound & disposing mind, &  
knowing that it is appointed for man once to die, &  
the body returned to dust & the soul to God who gave it, do  
make this my last will & testament in the following  
manner, viz. I resign my body to the dust, to be neatly  
buried, & my spirit to God.

As to my worldly matters, in the first place, My  
(desire)


desire & will is that all my just debts be paid. 2<sup>nd</sup> I give & bequeath to my daughter Margaret five dollars, 3<sup>rd</sup>. I give & bequeath to my son William twenty dollars, 4<sup>th</sup>. I give & bequeath to my son James one hundred dollar, that is to say the amount of a note that I hold on him & the balance in cash. 5<sup>th</sup>. I give & bequeath to my daughter Mary one dollar, 6<sup>th</sup>. I give & bequeath to my son Robison one hundred dollars. 7<sup>th</sup> I give & bequeath to my son Richard one hundred dollars, one bed & furniture. 8<sup>th</sup>. After my death & the death of my dear wife Sarah, then my son Moses to receive the balance of my estate both real & personal. 9<sup>th</sup>. I appoint & ordain my son Moses sole executor of this my last will & testament. In testimony, whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal, this seventh day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & fifty, & in the seventy fifth year of the independence of the United States of America.

Signed, sealed & delivered  
in the presence of

Wm Pratt

J. M. Brooks

J. M. Brooks <sup>his</sup> <sub>mark</sub>

Moses Ashley Sen. 

State of South Carolina

Abbeville District

Personally came William Pratt, 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 Moses Ashley Sen. sign, seal, publish, pronounce, 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 J. M. Brooks, and J. M. Brooks, 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

28 September 1857

W. Hill. C. C. D.

Wm. Pratt

State of South Carolina }  
 Abbeville District } Having examined Wm. Pratt one  
 of the subscribing Witnesses to the annexed paper, and being  
 satisfied that it is the true last Will and Testament of  
 Moses Ashley Sen. dec'd; Ordered that it be admitted to  
 Probate in Common form

William Hill o, a, d

State of South Carolina }  
 Abbeville District } Personally came Moses Ashley  
 Secuta, named in the annexed 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  
 Moses Ashley Sen. 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 here - 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<sup>th</sup> Sept 1857

}  
 } Moses Ashley.  
 }  
 W. Hill o a &

Last Will & Testament  
 of  
 Charity Frazer dec'd

South Carolina }  
 Abbeville District }

In the name of God - Amen.

I, Charity Frazer of said State and District, in  
 pursuance of the power given me by the last will of my  
 deceased husband James Frazer, do make and ordain  
 this my last will and testament.

Item 1<sup>st</sup> I give and bequeath to my daughter Lucretia Devlin  
 the negro boy Washington the son of Clara, and Caroline  
 the daughter of Violet for the life of my said daughter  
 Lucretia, and at her death the said slaves to belong  
 absolutely in equal shares or parts to Tallulah A.  
 Frazer, V. Antonette Frazer and Sarah C Frazer my  
 grand daughters;

Item 2<sup>nd</sup> I further give and bequeath to my daughter Lucretia  
 Devlin my bed and bedstead, and the covering and  
 clothing belonging to it.

Item 3<sup>rd</sup> I give and bequeath to my grand daughter Tallulah  
 (A)

- St. Frazer, the negroes Augustus, Eliza, and John Lewis:
- Item 4<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath to my grand daughter V. Antoinette Frazer the Young negroes Julia, Olen and Henry:
- Item 5<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath to my grand daughter Sarah C. Frazer the young negroes, Louisa, Martha Rebecca and Anan:
- Item 6<sup>th</sup> Upon the death of any of my said grand daughters leaving no children <sup>living</sup> at her death the said slaves are to go and belong to my said grand daughter who may survive or to the children of survivors:
- Item 7<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath to John F. Livingston my nephew in trust for my son James W. Frazer the following slaves and their increase in future, viz. Clara, Anne, Peter, Isbell, Charlotte Anthony and Violet: The said Trustee to give to said James W. Frazer during his life the proceeds and profits of their labour, the said property to be free from the debts, contracts and obligations, or assignments, voluntary or involuntary of the said James W. Frazer, and at his death to belong absolutely, free and discharged from all trust, in equal shares or parts to my grand daughters Ballulah St. Frazer, V. Antoinette Frazer and Sarah C. Frazer:
- Item 8<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath to Charity Elizabeth and Mary Jane infant daughters of Martha D. Liles from the profits of the estate left me by my deceased husband, each the sum of Two hundred dollars:
- Item 9<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath from the profits of the estate left me by my husband James Frazer to Allen S. Walker the sum of Two Hundred dollars:
- Item 10<sup>th</sup> I desire that after payment of the said pecuniary Legacies to Charity Elizabeth Liles and Mary Jane Liles and Allen S. Walker no account be taken of the profits of the property left me by the will of my said Husband, but that the same pass as part of the Trust property to my son James W. Frazer and that it be had in trust as aforesaid for my said son.

I appoint Thos. Thomson & C. H. Allen the Executors of this my last will and Testament

Charity <sup>his</sup> Frazer <sup>mak</sup> (seal)

Signed, sealed, and published by Charity Frazer as her last will and testament in presence of us the subscribing (witnesses)

witnesses who in the presence of each other were called by said Charity Frazier to attest her execution, and the word "living" interlined in 6<sup>th</sup> clause this 16<sup>th</sup> day of May A.D. 1846

S. S. Marshall

Lewis Smith

Bart<sup>m</sup> Jordan

The State of South Carolina

Abbeville District

In the Court of Ordinary,

I, Bart<sup>m</sup> Jordan do swear that I was personally present, and did see Charity Frazier, sign, seal, publish, pronounce and declare the foregoing writing to be her last Will and Testament; that she, the said Charity, was then of sound and disposing mind, memory, and understanding to the best of my knowledge and belief that Lewis Smith and S. S. Marshall together with myself and in the presence of each other, and of the testatrix, did subscribe our names as witnesses thereto.

Sworn before me this }  
25<sup>th</sup> August 1857 }  
William Hill, Clerk

Bart<sup>m</sup> Jordan.

South Carolina


Abbeville District

In the name of God - Amen.

I, Charity Frazier of Cedar Springs said District make and ordain this Codicil to my last will and testament.

I desire that after my decease the four hundred dollars which in the eighth clause of my will I gave to Charity Elizabeth Liles and Mary Jane Liles, be expended in the purchase of a negro girl; the services of whom Martha Liles and John Liles are to have for their lives, and the life of the survivor, and <sup>after</sup> the death of the said John Liles and Martha Liles, the said negro that shall be purchased shall belong absolutely to Charity Elizabeth Liles, but the increase of said negro girl if any shall be divided equally share and share alike between Charity Elizabeth Liles and Mary Jane Liles; and that my Executors have two years to raise the money.

I will that my Executors have three years after my death to pay the pecuniary Legacy given in the ninth clause of my will to Allen S. Walker.

Charity <sup>her</sup> Frazier   
mark

Signed, sealed published and the word "after" interlined  
and the word "three" inserted on an erasure, in presence of  
us witnesses who were called to witness the signature of  
Testatrix

R. A. Fair

John E. Allen

James A. Allen

16 June 1846

The State of South Carolina }  
Abbeville District } In the Court of Ordinary.

I, James A. Allen, do swear that I was personally  
present and did see Charity Frazer sign, seal, publish pronounce  
and declare the within writing to be a Codicil to her last  
will and testament, which will is dated 16 May 1846. and  
that the said Charity was then of sound mind memory  
and understanding to the best of my knowledge and  
belief, and that R. A. Fair and John E. Allen together  
with myself and in the presence of each other, and of the  
Testatrix did sign our names as witnesses thereto.

Given to before me

25 August 1857

William Hill C. J. D. }

J. A. Allen

South Carolina

Abbeville District } I Charity Frazer of said District  
make a Codicil in addition to the one already made to  
my last will and testament.

1<sup>st</sup> I revoke the bequest of Two Hundred Dollars to Allan  
Walker in the 9<sup>th</sup> clause of my will.

2<sup>nd</sup> I do far alter the first Codicil to my will that the negro  
girl I direct therein to be purchased is to be held and  
used by Martha Liles and John Liles until Charity their  
daughter either marries or arrives to the age of twenty  
years, and then the said girl purchased as aforesaid  
is to belong to Charity absolutely; provided however the  
first child of said negro girl purchased (should said  
girl have any) is to be the property of Mary Liles sister  
of said said Charity, and the second child thus born  
is to be the property of James Liles brother of said  
Charity - all the others of said girl to be Charity's.

3<sup>rd</sup> As the negro boy Oliver whom I bequeathed in the third  
(Stam)



Item of my will to V. Antoinette Frazier is dead I hereby bequeath and give in his stead to said V. Antoinette Frazier Charles Bingley, a son of Clara.

4<sup>th</sup> Should any part of my estate not be embraced in my will and Codicils I desire the same in the amplest manner and every interest personal, real, or chose in action to be held in trust as mentioned in the seventh item of my will for my son James W. Frazier, and all the trust property in my will a Codicils my said son James may disposed by his will

5<sup>th</sup> I desire no accounting to be had of my estate further than for payment of debts and legacy mentioned in second item of this Codicil, no accounting for profits of property bequeathed and devised to me by my late husband James Frazier, and that the management of the Estate of James Frazier deceased by the Executor thereof has my sanction and approval and that he do not account in any way or character further than is mentioned above

The said "others" struck out in the second item before signature, and signed sealed and declared in our presence and in the presence of each other by the testator, as the second Codicil to her will and testament

Charity <sup>W</sup> Frazier <sup>seal</sup>  
mark

Jos. F. Livingston  
John E. Allen  
Sarah Allen

The State of South Carolina } In the Court of Ordinary.  
Abbeville District } J. John. F. Livingston do swear  
that I was personally present, and did see Charity Frazier sign seal publish, pronounced and declare the foregoing writing to be a Codicil to her last will and testament said will is of date the 16 May 1846. And that the said Charity was then of sound mind memory and understanding to the best of my knowledge and belief - that John E. Allen, and Sarah Allen together with myself, and in the presence of each other, and of the testator, did sign our names, as witnesses thereto.

Sworn before me

John. F. Livingston

26 August 1857. W. Hill, o. a. &

(Note. The executor having declined to qualify, James W. Frazier, was appointed Adm. with will annexed of Charity Frazier decd.

(See Letters Adm. - will annexed.)

W. Hill, o. a. &

( Last Will & Testament of  
 Samuel Reid dec'd )

I Saml Reid being in feeble health but of sound & disposing mind, do make this my last will.

I give to my dearly beloved wife Elizabeth ten acres of land <sup>to be taken</sup> off as she may direct, so as to include my dwelling house, barn stables negro houses, and out-buildings, also the well & spring, to her and her heirs.

All the rest and remainder of my land I give and devise to my said wife Elizabeth, and my daughter Mary Wilson, to be equally divided between them, to them and their heirs.

I give to my said wife Elizabeth the following slaves, to wit, Harriet, Nancy Fanny & Maddison, to her and her heirs forever - also my carriage and carriage horses - and a choice of four of my milch cows & calves - also all my household & kitchen furniture, beds, bedsteads & bedding, all provisions now on hand, and my present growing crop, also my stock of hogs, and one thousand dollars in cash.

I will and bequeath to my son Lemuel Reid, to him & his heirs, the following slaves to wit Elbert, Mary William, Susan and Vincy, also the sum of one hundred <sup>dollars</sup> cash, and a Bond for five hundred dollars, on the Granville & Columbia Rail Road Company, In trust nevertheless for the sole and separate use of my beloved daughter Margaret for her natural life, and at her death to any issue that she may leave living at that time, but if she leave no issue living at her death then the said property to be divided equally between my other children, Lemuel Mary and James C.

I give to my niece Susan Wilson a legacy of one hundred dollars.

All the rest and residue of my property I desire to be sold by my Executors on a credit of twelve months and the proceeds divided equally between my children Lemuel, Mary and James C.

I appoint Lemuel Reid & John R. Wilson the Executors of this my will

Executed and signed in the presence  
 of James M. Combs Mrs. Gordon. J. H. Wilson

Samuel Reid

State of South Carolina }  
 Abbeville District } Personally came William  
 Gordon 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 Samuel Reid sign, seal, pub-  
 lish, pronounce, 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 be-  
 lief - that James M. Comb, and J. H. Wilson 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 }  
 6 Oct 1837 } Wm. Gordon.  
 W. Hill. c. a. d. }

State of South Carolina }  
 Abbeville District } Having examined William  
 Gordon one of the subscribing Witnesses, to the annexed  
 paper, and being satisfied that it is the true last  
 Will and Testament of Samuel Reid decd.:

Orders that it be admitted to Probate in Common  
 form.

6 Oct 1837 } William Hill. c. a. d.

State of South Carolina }  
 Abbeville District } Personally came Samuel Reid  
 & John R. Wilson Was named in the annexed 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 Samuel Reid 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 }  
 6 Oct 1837 } Samuel Reid  
 William Hill c. a. d. } J. R. Wilson

Last Will and Testament  
of John B. Bull. dec'd

In the name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, the Friend of sinners: in the name of God the Father Son and Holy Spirit. Amen. —

I, John B. Bull, of the state of South Carolina, and District of Abbeville; considering the shortness and extreme uncertainty of this present mortal life, and the certainty of Death; do hereby make this my last will and testament, being the first and only one which I have made, bearing date this 8<sup>th</sup> day April, A.D. 1843.

And now I do by this my writing, cheerfully will, that after my decease, my physicians account shall be paid by my executors herein after named. Also my funeral expenses. —

Item 1st. I do hereby cheerfully give and bequeath unto my dearly beloved and honored wife, Mrs Sarah Bull, in consideration of her untiring, gentle Christian, dutiful attention to me, her unworthy husband, the following property. Viz. All the lands which I at present own, lying on the South and West side of Little River which are comprised in the following four separate plats. —

The land on which my dear, respected and lamented Mother resided. Said Land was purchased from Mr James Mc Carter, by my dear and greatly lamented Brother Gen<sup>l</sup>. William A. Bull. And by him, was after our dear Mothers decease, kindly given to me, on the 21<sup>st</sup> of February 1833, on which day he settled with me. This tract formerly belonged to the heirs of Mr. William Clark Sen<sup>r</sup> and contained by the old survey 275. acres. But by a later survey it has been found to contain 320. acres. This plat was made by Peter B. Rogers Esq<sup>r</sup>. — Adjoining to this tract on the South and West side, lies the small square tract of land which I purchased from John Scott Esq<sup>r</sup>. containing 100. acres more or less. — Immediately between these two tracts lies a very small piece of land containing  $1\frac{1}{4}$  acre of ground only. Which I purchased this present year, (1842.) from Mr<sup>s</sup> Eleanor Scott. It was surveyed, measured, and the plat made by Mr Mc Kinney D. S. — On the East side lies the fourth piece, a small tract of land which I purchased from Mr.

William Clark Junr. which belonged to the heirs of Mr. Alexander Clark. I have not had convenient opportunity to have this tract re-surveyed. It was said to contain 150. acres more or less. A very small portion of it lying on the North and East side of Little River, being inconveniently situated, I have disposed of to —

Item 2<sup>nd</sup>. To my dear and respected wife, I also hereby give, my good and aged servant Doritha (Doll) and all her children, and grand children, all her descendants who are in my possession on either plantation, and on both plantations. Including the husbands of her daughters — Pompey the husband of Nelly. I make this kind and earnest request, that during the term of her natural life, Doll be treated with all that humanity, moderation and kindness which her advanced age and her faithful services call for. — Also to my dear wife I hereby cheerfully give all the servants on my farm at Little River their names as follows. Venus. Sam. Andrew with his wife Henry and their children Hiram and Sarah, Cumba, Stella, Statia, Grace, Prince, Sylva, Jacob, and his wife Peggy. Jim and Scipio are Doll's children and included in her family.

Item 3<sup>rd</sup>. To my dear and respected wife I also hereby cheerfully give all the stock on my farm at Little River, horses, cattle, sheep and hogs. Also all the buildings and conveniences, All the plantation tools. All the household furniture, which I own on both plantations. — And as a most particular mark of my affectionate respect and love, I hereby give to my dear wife, the large Edition of Scott's Commentary of the Holy Bible; which were given to me by my dear Mother at her death. Also all my religious books. — I hereby kindly and earnestly request of my dear wife, that whatever articles of jewelry, whether of gold or silver, which may be found in our house at the time of my decease, may be faithfully collected, and committed to the care of some trusty, pious agent. And that said Agent by and with the advice and consent of my dear wife, do without delay sell all such articles, and give the proceeds to the American Tract Society through their Treasurer. — The nature of this writing is such, that I wish it distinctly understood, and settled firmly, and known in Law, that the property which I have given to my dear wife, I do, hereby, so secure unto her, that no or persons whatever, under any circumstances whatever, shall be able to deprive her of any part of it.

(during)

during the period of her natural life. And at her death that it shall be her privilege to dispose of it as she may in her judgement and conscience think best. —

Of the Estate of my respected and greatly lamented Brother, Genl. William A. Bull <sup>decd</sup> I do hereby will and earnestly request, that my executors herein after named, shall after my decease, make the following disposal viz: — Should my decease occur before the close of this present year (1843.) I request that the plantation with its necessary concerns, the field Laborers, horses, mules, oxen and plantation tools may quietly remain together under the charge of my overseer, until the close of the year. That my family be permitted to reside where they are until the end of the year. That all the business may be permitted to proceed as usual during the year. That the remain- of the crop of cotton of the year 1842. may be made ready and sent through the agency of Mr. Gollothun Walker of Hamburg, to the care of Messrs. Mathews & Bonnecand of Charleston So. Ca. and requested to be sold by them as soon as shall be convenient. That they may forthwith, be honestly paid in full for any and for all advances of money, which they may have been so kind as to make for me. That Mr. Gollothun Walker be authorized to draw on them likewise, for as much money as shall be sufficient, honestly and fairly, to pay every debt which I may justly owe in Hamburg and Augusta Ga. — Whatever money may remain after paying these, I request may be devoted to paying my other debts in the Country so far as it will extend. My note given to Alex. Houston Esq. I request may be paid among the very first, with all the interest due. That every other reasonable and just demand may be fully and honestly satisfied. That my overseer's wages may be paid. And all just accounts properly attested may be paid.

Should the crop of 1842. fail to pay every thing, as it probably will. I hereby request the crop of 1843. ("If the Lord will") may be strictly devoted towards paying the remaining debts. To Oglethorpe University, by subscription I justly owe \$300. I request that it may be fully paid as soon as possible. — That money may be furnished sufficient to pay the reasonable and necessary expenses of James Morrow Junr. while finishing his Collegiate Course. — That \$340 (Three hundred and forty dollars) may be handed to my dear wife Money belonging to the Estate of Mr. David Morrow (Decd)

Dec<sup>r</sup> which I have held, and have endeavoured to improve.  
The interest has been paid up to April 13<sup>th</sup> 1843.

So soon as every just debt can be honestly paid, I hereby request that my executors, proceed without delay, to making correct, lawful and prudent arrangements for selling the whole Estate. That as much as can possibly be sold for cash, be thus disposed of. That the remainder be advertised in due and correct time, and the whole of it sold, on limited credit. My executors are hereby requested to require safe Bonds and good notes with approved securities. To use every prudent and lawful means to obtain as near the just value of the estate, as may in the nature of the case be practicable. If possible in attending to this business to avoid all litigation. Should any difficulty of any kind occur, that it be referred to the prudent judgement of three or five honest and disinterested citizens, who shall if necessary obtain legal counsel and decide to the best of their mature judgement. Should any doubt arise respecting the meaning and intention of this my last will, in any part or sentence thereof I hereby desire that the difficulty may thus be settled according to the plain import of the words used. —

As soon as the money can be collected, I do hereby request that the sum of \$5,000. (Five thousand dollars) may be placed at Interest in the Bank of Charleston. Which sum, when thus placed, I do hereby, cheerfully give to James Morrow Junr. And do hereby so settle it, that no person or persons whatever under any circumstances or pretext whatever can deprive him of it during his natural life. That James Morrow Junr. himself shall not be allowed to touch or use or squander one cent of the principal. But only to draw and make use of the lawful interest annually as may seem to him best. So soon as the remainder can be collected, or as much as possible, I do hereby cheerfully request that my executors, immediately proceed to divide the money into four equal parts, and I hereby cheerfully bequeath one part to the American Bible Society, the second to the American Tract Society, the third part, to the Presbyterian Board of Publication, belonging to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America. O. S. And the fourth part I hereby cheerfully give to the Theological Seminary, which is at present located at Columbia, So. Ca: and which is at present under the care of the Synod of South Carolina & Georgia. The said four equal sums of money, I hereby request may be given by my executors  
(for)

for the use and benefit of said above named Benevolent and Christian Institutions, through their respective Treasurers. And if, as is probably the case, through ignorance, I have failed to use such words as are customary in Law. I hereby plainly and positively desire, that may not prevent, the fulfillment and accomplishment of my wishes in the plain and obvious meaning and intent the words used. But that my executors take such prudent, timely, & peaceful measures as may be effectual to secure the lawful and entire accomplishment of every part of this instrument of writing in its plainest sense, however defective, in phraseology. — And that there may be no litigation or contention concerning my affairs after my decease, or even dissatisfaction in any way. — That my executors may be disposed, graciously directed and assisted by Spirit and Grace of God so as to deal justly, and properly and honestly dispose of my estate is my sincere and earnest desire. And that it may please the Lord in His great Mercy to sanctify and bless this poor offering in His name given, so that some needy pained may be assisted and some poor Soul may be brought to Repentance and Faith in the Name of Jesus Christ Our Saviour, is the humble prayer of his unworthy servant. —

And now into the hands of my Saviour, Jesus Christ, the Son of God, I humbly commit my Spirit in Faith. Unto God, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, the only wise, living and true God, I humbly resign my Soul, in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

I do hereby choose and appoint William P. Noble, Paul Rogers, and Edmund C. Martin to be the Lawful Executors of this my last will and testament. Who are hereby solemnly requested faithfully to discharge their trust. — Again I repeat my injunction to avoid all Litigation. —

I do hereby declare & acknowledge this to be my last will and testament, in testimony whereof I do now solemnly affix my name in the presence of these three witnesses

April 8th 1843.

John B. Bull.

Wm H. Davis

J. L. Bouchillon Swr.

E. C. Martin

State of South Carolina ( Personaley came William P. Noble  
Abbeville District ) Now named in the annexed will and



being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, upon oath  
says that the annexed paper is the true last will of the said John  
B. Bull 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.

19 Decr 1857

W. P. Noble

Sworn to before me  
William Hill Clerk

( Last Will and Testament of William Pennal dec'd )

South Carolina

Abbeville District

In the name of God amen.

I, William Pennal of the District and State  
aforesaid planted the feeble in body yet of sound and  
Discriminating mind and and judgement for which God  
is to be praised make and Establish this my last will  
and Testament in manner and form following

- 1<sup>st</sup> it is my will that all my just debts be paid for which  
purpose I allow all debts coming to me to be collected and  
whatever is remaining of moneys after paying my debts  
to be used by my Executors as hereafter directed.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> It is my will that my wife Ellin D Pennal keep all  
my Property together and raise my children and Educate  
them as circumstances may warrant and she thinks neces-  
ary and as my children comes of age my wife and my exe-  
cutor has full power to give them off Property or money as to  
them may seem fit according to their wants and as the  
(Estate)

Estate may be able to spend.

3<sup>d</sup> in case of the death of my wife it is my will that my other Executor have full power to dispose of my property among my children as he may think best or to hold it in Trust for their benefit in case they may not manage well  
4<sup>th</sup> it is my desire that my sons be put to good Trades when they arrive at a suitable age

Lastly I nominate constitute and appoint my <sup>wife Ellen</sup> D. Pennal and my neighbor John Link Executors of this my last will and testament in witness whereof I hereunto set my hand and seal this 29<sup>th</sup> day of January one thousand Eight hundred and fifty two and in the seventy sixth year of the sovereignty and independance of the united States of America

Signed sealed Published and Delivered by the said Testator in our presence and in the presence of each other and at his request have signed our names as witnesses hereto

Witnesses  
J. W. Penny  
L. J. Johnson  
J. H. Gray

William Pennal

State of South Carolina

Abbeville District

Personally came L. J. Johnson 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 William Pennal sign, seal, publish, pronounce, 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 J. W. Penny, and J. H. Gray 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

L. J. Johnson

26 Oct 1857

William Hill, C. A. D.

State of South Carolina } Having examined L. J. Johnson, one of the  
 Abbeville District } subscribing witnesses to the annexed paper,  
 and being satisfied that it is the true last will and Testament of  
 William Pennal deceased. Ordered, that it be admitted to Probate in  
 common form

26 Oct 1857

William Hill C. C. D.

State of South Carolina } Personally came Ellen R. Pennal Execu-  
 Abbeville District } trix named in the annexed 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 Pennal, and that she will well and truly execute the  
 same, by paying first the debts and then the Legacies therein con-  
 tained, so far as the good and chattels will extend, and she con-  
 cerns her that she will make and return into the office of  
 the Ordinary of the said District, a true Inventory and Apprise-  
 ment of the Estate of the said deceased, within the time prescribed  
 by law

Sworn to before me

26 Oct 1857

William Hill. C. C. D.

Ellen, L. Pennal

( Last Will and Testament of Sterling I. Williams. )

In the name of God Amen.

I Sterling I Williams of Abbeville Dist South Carolina being  
 of sound mind and Memory, but of weak bodily strength occa-  
 sioned by disease, and knowing the uncertainty of life and the  
 certainty of death for the purpose of Disposing of what worldly  
 Matters it has pleased god to bless me with do make and  
 ordain this my last will and Testament hereby revoking all  
 others.

- Item 1<sup>st</sup> I give my soul to god who gave it and my body to the Dust  
 to be decently buried by my Executor herein to be appointed -
- Item 2<sup>nd</sup> It is my will that after my death my just Debts and funeral  
 Expenses be paid out any funds that may be on hand or any  
 property that can most conveniently be spared.
- Item 3<sup>rd</sup> I then give and bequeath to my beloved wife Anna Williams  
 all my Estate both real and personal of whatsoever it may  
 consist Lands negroes horses Mules Cows Sheep hogs house-  
 hold and kitchen furniture farming tools all and every article  
 or thing of whatsoever kind. Dues or ready money - to her I  
 (give)

give it to have use and keep during her natural life or  
Widowhood

Item 4<sup>th</sup> It is further my will and I do hereby give at the Death of  
my wife or at the expiration of her Widowhood to Each of  
My Daughters (out of the proceeds of the sale of my property as  
hereafter to be directed) Three hundred and Thirty three and  
one third dollars which I give to make them Equal in amount  
with what I have heretofore given to my sons.

Item 5 It is further my will that on the Death of my wife or at the  
Expiration of her Widowhood my Executors hereinafter appointed  
shall as soon as in their Judgement shall be for the interest  
of all concerned sell at public sale at such time and in  
such manner as they may deem proper all my Estate  
both real and personal of whatsoever it may then con-  
sist, and out of the proceeds of such sale shall first  
pay to each of my Daughters or their heirs Three hundred  
and thirty three and one third dollars as specified in  
Item 4. and it is then my will that the balance  
whatever it may be be equally divided between my  
five children or should any of them die before the  
final distribution that their legal heirs in such  
case be entitled to their share

Item 6 I do hereby make constitute and appoint My two Sons  
Roger & Benjamin and my son-in-law William Spear  
my true and Lawful Executors of this my last will  
and Testament

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my  
hand and affixed my seal this 20<sup>th</sup> Day of Decr  
1852.

In Presence of  
F. B. Clinkscale  
A Rice  
& W. C. Power

S. D. Williams

State of South Carolina

Abbeville District } Personally came A. Rice, 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  
S. D. Williams sign, seal, publish, pronounce, and de-  
clare 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 F. B. Coltricals and W. C. Power 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  
14 Novemb 1887  
W. Hill. O. A. D.

A. Rice

State of South Carolina }  
Abbeville District } Having examined A. Rice one of  
the subscribing Witnesses to the annexed paper, and being  
satisfied that it is the true last Will and Testament of  
S. I. Williams dec'd. Ordered, that it be admitted to Probate  
in Common form

14 Nov. 1887

William Hill O. A. D.

State of South Carolina }  
Abbeville District } Personally came Roger & Benja-  
min Williams Esq's named in the annex'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  
S. I. Williams dec'd. - and that they will well and truly execute  
the same, by paying just the debts, and then the Legacies  
therein contained, so far as the goods and chattels will  
extend, and the Law charge thereof - 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  
14 Nov 1887  
W. Hill O. A. D.

R. S. Williams  
Benj. W. Williams

## ( Last Will and Testament of Mrs Sarah Bull )

State of So. Carolina

Abbeville District

Oct 1<sup>st</sup> 1857

In the name of God, Amen

I Sarah Bull of Abbeville District Widow, declare this to be my last will and testament, hereby cancelling and revoking all former wills and testaments, by me heretofore made

Item, I give devise and bequeath all my estate, real and personal, of every kind and nature whatsoever, in possession remainder or expectancy, unto my son Doctor James Morrow his Executors Administrators and assigns forever, with full power and authority to sell and dispose thereof at his will and pleasure.

And lastly - I nominate constitute and appoint my said son Doctor James Morrow sole Executor of this my last will and testament

Witness my hand and seal this first day of Oct. in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty seven

Sarah X Bull (Sd)  
mark

Signed sealed and published by the Testatrix as her last will and testament after it was read to her, in our presence. Who at her request, in her presence and the presence of each other have herunto subscribed our names in testimony of the above execution thereof

W. P. Noble

A. A. Noble

S. G. Cowan

State of South Carolina

Abbeville District

Personally came A. A. Noble, 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 Sarah Bull, sign seal, publish, pronounce, and declare the said paper to be her last will and Testament - and that the Testatrix was of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding, to the best of his knowledge and belief - that

W. P. Noble and L. G. Cowan 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

11 Nov 1857

W. Hill o.a.g.

A. A. Noble

State of South Carolina

Abbeville District

Having examined A. A. Noble one of the subscribing Witnesses to the annexed paper, and being satisfied that it is the true last Will and Testament of Sarah Bull dec'd. Ordered that it be admitted to Probate in Common form.

11 Nov 1857

W. Hill o.a.g.

State of South Carolina

Abbeville District

Personally came Doct James Morrow her named in the annexed Will and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, upon oath says that the within paper is the true last Will of the said Sarah Bull 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

11 Nov 1857

W. Hill o.a.g.

Jas. Morrow

## (Last Will &amp; Testament of Ephraim Davis dec'd)

State of South Carolina }  
Abbeville District }

I Ephraim Davis of the State & District aforesaid being old & infirm in body but of sound & disposing mind, do make this my last will & testament in manner & form following.

1<sup>st</sup> I desire all my just Debts to be paid

I give to my wife Mary Davis the tract of Land where on I now live & one negro woman Sarah & her second child Warren with all her future and present increase (excepting her two children Jim & Liza) I desire my wife to have all my household & kitchen furniture & such of the plantation tools, with as much provisions & such of the Stock Horses, Cows &c as she may desire to keep, all of which I give to her during her widowhood or natural life, and at her death or marriage I desire the above named property both real & personal to be given to my two sons William C Davis & Benjamin F Davis in fee simple to the Exclusion of my other children. Should either of my two sons William C Davis & Benjamin F. Davis die without Lawful children the share of said decedent shall be divided equally among the survivor & my other children according to the Statute of Distribution. I give to my <sup>son</sup> in Law John Hughey one hundred & fifty Dollars if so much be left after paying my debts this with other property heretofore given him is all I intend giving him

I give to my son in Law Henry Riley twenty five Dollars I give to my son in Law Leis H. Shepard twenty five dollars. I give to my son John F. H. Davis twenty five Dollars, this with other property heretofore given them is all I intend them to have. These specific amounts in money are given to my sons in Law & son J. F. Davis upon condition that so much remain after paying my debts

I give unto my son William C. Davis a negro boy Jim & girl Liza the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> children of Sarah, the girl Liza to be valued by disinterested persons and one half of said valuation to be paid by William C Davis to Benjamin F Davis.



I give negro girl Mary to my son Benjamin F Davis  
I desire that all property not disposed of by this will shall  
be sold at public outcry and after paying the debts & the  
legacies given by this will that the remainder shall be  
equally divided among my children.

I hereby appoint William C Davis & Mary Davis  
my wife Executors of this my last will & Testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand  
& seal this the 8<sup>th</sup> (depts) day of Sept. One thousand  
eight hundred and fifty seven

Ephraim Davis (S)

Signed Sealed & Delivered  
in the presence of  
Jacob Rykard  
E. L. Davis.  
Robert H Rykard  
R. S. Cobb.

State of South Carolina }  
Abbeville District } Personally came R. S. Cobb, 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 Ephraim Davis  
sign, seal, publish, pronounce 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 Jacob Rykard  
E. L. Davis & Robert H Rykard, together with him self, and  
in the presence of each other and in the presence of the Testator  
did sign their names as Witnesses to the due execution  
thereof,

Sworn before me this  
26<sup>th</sup> Nov 1857

R. S. Cobb

William Hill, J. C. D.

State of South Carolina }  
Abbeville District } Having examined R. S. Cobb, one  
of the subscribing Witnesses to the annexed paper, and being  
satisfied that it is the true last will and Testament of  
Ephraim Davis decd. Ordered that it be admitted to Probate  
in Common form

26 Nov 1857

William Hill, J. C. D.

State of South Carolina

Abbeville District } Primarily came William C  
Davis Esq named in the annexed Will, and being sworn  
on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, upon oath says  
that the within paper is the true last Will and Testament  
of the said Ephraim Davis, 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 decedent, within the time prescribed by Law  
sworn to before me

26 Nov. 1857

W. C. Davis

William Hill, O. A. D.

( Last Will and Testament of Mary Murphy da )

In the name of God, Amen.

I Mary Murphy of Abbeville District, South  
Carolina, in view of the uncertainty of life, being  
in a low condition of health, but in full possession  
of my mental powers, do make and ordain this my  
last Will and Testament.

I give and bequeath to my sister Esther Murphy,  
her heirs and assigns all my interest in the following  
property personal and real which we hold in common,  
Viz. A Tract of Land consisting of Two hundred acres  
more or less, situated near Due West, and bounded by  
the lands of S. R. Browner, Robert Ellis and others.  
Also four Servants, Viz. Fanny, Pinckney, Luvenia,  
and Seaborn, also all the Stock, Farming Utensils,  
Household and Kitchen furniture. - All my interest  
in this property thus described, together with my interest  
in all property of whatsoever kind, I Mary Murphy,  
of the District and State aforesaid do hereby give and  
bequeath to my sister the said Esther Murphy, her  
heirs and assigns forever.

And I further declare and appoint my  
Nephew Rev. H. L. Murphy my Executor to carry out  
my wishes as expressed in this my last Will and Testa-  
ment - In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe