

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 and correct Inventory and appraisement of the Estate of the said decd within the time prescribed by law

J. V. P. Parlow

Sworn before me 5 March 1860 }  
W. Hill O. A. D.

Last Will and Testament of Francis E. H. Witherspoon.

The State of South Carolina }  
Abbeville District }

In the name of God, Amen!! -

I Francis E. H. Witherspoon, of the District and State aforesaid, being of sound and disposing mind and understanding, but calling to mind the uncertainty of life, and being desirous of disposing of the property with which it hath pleased God to bless me, do make and ordain this my last will and testament, hereby revoking all former wills by me made

First

I will and bequeath unto my grand-daughter Julia Caroline McCaw during her natural life the following property, viz., Negroes Sarah, Margaret, Elisha, Floremond, Solomon Jesus and Big John and their future increase, together with the Piano bought at the sale of her father's estate - my workstand or Table, one of my silver Tankards, one pair of my silver Candelsticks and one dozen of my silver Teaspoons: and after her death I will and bequeath all the property above given to her for life, to the children which she may bear living at the time of her death, and the child or children of any predeceased child - the child or children of any such deceased child to represent the parent and take among them the share, which the parent if living would have taken. And in case the said Julia Caroline shall die leaving no child or children living at the time of her death - nor child or children then living of any predeceased child, then I will and bequeath the property aforesaid at the death of the said Julia Caroline to her brothers and sisters named in this will to be equally divided among them or the survivors of them, the same to be held by them for life, and to go upon the death of either of them in the same manner - to the same persons, and upon the same limitations over, as the other negroes and property which are given to

(each)

each of them respectively by this my last will and testament. That is to say, I wish the property which may arise to Julia Caroline under this will, to go in the same manner precisely as that which is given in this clause directly.

Second

I will and bequeath unto my grand-daughter Margaret Frances McCord during her natural life the following property, viz. negroes Peter, Angelina, Lewis, Lotty, Henry & Joshua & his wife Polly and their future increase, together with the work-stand, Bureau, Bed, Bedstead and Bedding purchased at the sale of her father's estate - and because she is named for me - my Forkait - one of my silver Tankards - one pair of my silver Candelsticks, and one dozen of my silver Tea-spoons: - and after her death I will all the property above given to her for life to her children, which she may leave living at the time of her death exactly in the same manner - to the same persons, and in all respects upon the same limitations, as I have above expressed in the bequest to Julia Caroline, in the first clause of this my will. -

Third

I will and bequeath unto my grand-son John Todd McCaw during his natural life, the following property, viz. negroes Thomas, William, Caroline, Nancy and her children Jane and Willy and Ben (the latter boy on account of the name my grand-son bears) and their future increase, together with a set of gold shirt buttons for sleeve, neck, and bosom, lately the property of his dear father: and after his death I will and bequeath all the property above given to him for life to the children which he may leave living at the time of his death, exactly in the same manner - to the same persons and upon the same limitations in all respects as I have above expressed in the bequest to Julia Caroline in the first clause of this my will.

Fourth

I will and bequeath to my grand-daughter Mary McSeker McCaw, during her natural life Adeline Louisa and Charlotte together with their future increase - Charlotte to remain with Julia Caroline until Mary marries or becomes of age - also my large silver waiter - one pair of my silver Candelsticks - one dozen silver Table Spoons and one silver Cup. I also will and bequeath to my said Grand-daughter Mary McSeker during her natural life the interest profits and dividends upon the following Bank and Rail Road Stocks, viz. Sixty shares in the Planters & Mechanic Bank of South Carolina - fifteen shares in the Bank of South Carolina - fourteen shares in the Union Bank of South Carolina - thirty-nine shares in the Bank of Augusta, Georgia. - Eight shares

in the Georgia Rail Road & Banking Company, and twenty five shares in the Greenville & Columbia Rail Road Company: - and after her death I will and bequeath all the property above given to her for life to the children which she may leave living at the time of her death, exactly in the same manner - to the same persons, and upon the same limitations in all respects as I have above expressed in the bequest to Julia Caroline in the first clause of this my will. I wish my executor herein after named, or any one of them who may qualify, or the survivor of them, his executors or administrators to take charge of the stocks above mentioned - receive the dividends upon the same, and pay them over, if necessary, to the support and maintenance of the said Mary M<sup>c</sup>G. but if not necessary to invest the same in additional stocks - and in all respects to control manage or change the same for the benefit of the said Mary M<sup>c</sup>G. and those interested in remainder, in every respect whatever as in his or their discretion it may seem proper.

Fifth I will and bequeath unto William Henry M<sup>c</sup>Caw during his natural life, the following property viz. Solomon Little John, Lizzy, Nat. Martha - Lee Betty and Eliza, together with all their future increase. Betty to remain with Frances until William Henry becomes of age - also his fathers portrait, which is to be kept by his sister Julia until he is grown: - and at his death I will and bequeath all the property above given to him for life, to the children which he may leave living at <sup>the time of</sup> his death, exactly in the same manner - to the same persons, and upon the same limitations in all respects whatever as I have above expressed in the bequest to Julia Caroline in the first clause of this my will.

Sixth I will and bequeath my wearing apparel and jewelry to my three grand daughters Julia C. Margaret F. and Mary M<sup>c</sup>G. to be divided amongst them as they think fit. These articles - especially the jewelry I wish them to keep as mementoes of their grandmother from whom they received them.

Seventh I will and bequeath the negroes Lydia and Sue to my five grand children before named and the survivors or survivor of them - the said negroes to be well and kindly treated during their lives, and allowed to choose which of my grand children they will live with.

Eighth I will and bequeath that all my silver plate, not herein before specifically disposed of be divided as nearly equal as possible without sale, between my five grand children before named.

Ninth I will and bequeath the use of my watch and chain to Margaret Frances, until her sister Mary, arrives at the age of sixteen years. Then I give the same to Mary, which I hope she will keep in

(remembered)

remembrance of me.

Tenth

I will and bequeath to Mrs Mary Ann Wardlaw, the wife of my friend Dr J J Wardlaw of Abbeville, the use of five hundred dollars during her life, and at her death, to be equally divided amongst her surviving daughters share and share alike. This five hundred dollars I wish paid out of the residuum of my estate to Dr J J Wardlaw, the husband of the said Mary Ann, and I wish him and his Executors and Administrators to hold the same as Trustee during the life of his wife, and then for his daughters in remainder as aforesaid.

Eleventh

I will bequeath and devise that all the rest and residue of my estate both real and personal, consisting mainly of the plantation where I now live, including the Gaule place, plantation tools, stock, horses &c, be sold by my Executors upon such terms as may seem most expedient to them; and out of the proceeds I wish my Executors to pay all my just debts, and the legacy hereinbefore mentioned to Mrs Mary Ann Wardlaw. I also will and devise that whatever may remain, after paying the debts - the legacy aforesaid, and the costs of administration, be divided into four equal parts and held for the use and benefit of my four grand children Julia Caroline McCaw - Margaret Frances McCaw - John Todd McCaw, and William Henry McCaw - the share of each to be held for his or her benefit, during his or her natural life (my grand daughter Mary M<sup>c</sup> is not included in this bequest, except as to the limitation over in case of the death of a brother or sister) for the reason that the Bank and Rail road stock hereinbefore given to her, will, it is supposed, make her share equal to that of either of her brothers or sisters. I further will and devise that my Executors as Trustees - or any one of them who may qualify, take charge of the shares arising to my grand children before named under this bequest, and invest the same in Bank stock, and also invest as principal the dividends accruing annually, unless needed for the support and maintenance of the parties respectively entitled to the interest for life under this bequest, and to hold the same for my four grand children before named for life; and at the death of either of them to hold his or her share for the use of the child or children which he or she may leave living at the time of her death exactly in the same manner - to the use of the same persons - and in all respects upon the same limitations (as)

as I have above expressed in reference to the property given to Julia Caroline by the first clause of this my will.

Swift

And lastly I do hereby nominate constitute and appoint my friends Dr J Wardlaw, and Dr Littleton Yarbrough executors of this my last will and Testament

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this fourteenth day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty three, and in the seventy-eighth year of American Independence.

F. C. H. Witherspoon

signed in the presence of  
S. McGowan  
J. W. Allen  
T. Alex. Dale

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

Personally appeared J. W. Allen one of the subscribing witnesses to the foregoing will and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, makes oath that he was personally present and did see F. C. H. Witherspoon, sign, seal, publish, pronounce and declare the same to be his last will and Testament: that he was of sound and disposing mind and memory and understanding to the best of his knowledge and belief, and that S. McGowan, and T. Alex. Dale, together with himself, in the presence of each other and in the presence of the Testators signed their names as witnesses to the due execution thereof.

Sworn before me  
10 April 1860  
M. Dell oad

J. W. Allen

S. Carolina. Abbeville Dist.

Having examined J. W. Allen, one of the subscribing witnesses to the annexed will, and being satisfied that it is the true last will & Testament of F. C. H. Witherspoon dec'd. "Ordered that it be admitted to probate in Common form"  
10 apr 1860. William Hill o.g.d

S. Carolina }  
Abbeville Dist } Personally called Dr J Wardlaw & Dr  
Littleton Yarbrough, executors named in the annexed will &  
(made)

made oath that said writing contains the true last will & Testament of the aforesaid P. E. H. Witherspoon dead to the best of their knowledge & belief. That they will will & truly execute the same, by paying first the debts, and then the legacies therein contained so far as the goods & Chattels will extend and the law charge them. That they will make and return to the office of the Ordinary of the said Dist. a true Inventory & Appraisement of the Estate of the said de<sup>d</sup> within the time prescribed by Law.

Sworn before me  
the 11<sup>th</sup> Apr 1860

William McIlvay

J. J. Wardlaw  
L. Yarbrough.

Last Will & Testament  
of Rev. A. Williams.

The State of S<sup>c</sup> Carolina  
Abbeville District

In the Name of God Amen.

I, Arthur Williams of the State and District aforesaid, being advanced in age but of sound and disposing mind and memory and being desirous to dispose of by will, what worldly Estate God in his Providence has gave me, do make this as my last will and Testament in manner and form following. I will my body to the dust and my spirit to God who gave it.

First. I will and bequeath to my daughter Mary Williams my slave Tom, also all my Household and kitchen Furniture, one Cow and calf, also I will and devise to her one half of my Tract of Land known as my home place on which I am now living, containing One Hundred acres more or less, and this property the said Mary Williams is to have during her natural life for her use and benefit and at her death sold and divided equally among all my other lawful Heirs as the Law directs.

Second I will and bequeath to my daughter Dorcas Mitchell my slave Zachariah, also I will and devise to her the remaining half of my Tract of Land on which I am now living, containing One Hundred acres more or less, and this property she is to have the entire and separate use of during her natural life, and at her death the same to be sold and divided equally among all my other lawful Heirs as the Law directs.

Third I will and devise to my son Nimrod Williams a  
(Tract)

Tract of Land containing about One Hundred acres, more or less, on which he is now living bounded by Thomas Bryan and Reuben Latimer, and on the South side by a Branch running through his field which he has now in cultivation, and this land is to him and his heirs forever.

Fourth I will and devise to my son William Williams to him & his heirs, a Tract of Land containing about One Hundred acres more or less bounded by lands of Geo. Shiley, James Shiley & James Ray situate on the waters of Hopkin Creek.

Fifth I will that my other slaves, Sam. Berry, & Peter, be appraised with the appraisement of my other property, also Mary my old slave and disposed of in the following manner — my old slave Mary I will shall have her choice of Home among my children, and that my son James have the ownership of and control of her during her life time, and whereas my son James is due me the sum of One Hundred dollars the balance on the price of a woman Maiah which I sold him now my wife is that my son James shall not account for the same to my Estate but shall be allowed that amount for taking care of my old slave Mary. My other slaves Sam. Berry & Peter, shall have the privilege to select their Masters, and my Executors shall have the right to sell them to such privately at their appraisement; all my other property both real and personal not already disposed of by will shall my Executors sell to the highest bidder and the proceeds of which together with the price of my slaves Sam Berry & Peter directed to be sold at private sale with all Cash notes or debts due me shall be divided equally between my children as follows. To my son James Williams, my son George Williams, John Williams, the children of Jesse Williams, (my son who is dead, the children of my daughter Sally Hughs, who is dead & the children of my daughter Elizabeth McWhorter if she is dead or if living to herself each share & share about, to them & their heirs, and last I constitute and appoint my sons James & George Williams my executors to execute this my last will and Testament, and I do now declare this to be my last Will & Testament in witness whereof I have set my hand & seal this 22 January 1859.

Witnesses.

J. R. Willson  
Mary Willson  
Sarah Willson

Arthur Williams Seal

(See over)

State of S<sup>c</sup> Ca } Personally appeared John R. Willson one of  
 Abbeville Dist } the subscribing witnesses to the within will  
 and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, upon  
 oath saith that he was personally present and did see Arthur  
 Williams, sign, seal, publish, pronounce and declare the said  
 writing to be his last will and testament. That the said  
 testator was of sound and disposing mind memory and  
 understanding to the best of his knowledge and belief that  
 Mary Willson and Sarah Willson - together with himself, and  
 in the presence of each other, and in the presence of the  
 Testator, did sign their names as witnesses to the due execu-  
 tion thereof.

Sworn before me  
 21<sup>st</sup> May 1860  
 W. Hill c. c. B.

J. R. Willson.

The State of S<sup>c</sup> Ca } Having examined John R. Willson one  
 Abbeville Dist } of the subscribing witnesses to the within  
 will, and being satisfied that it is the true last will of  
 the said Arthur Williams dec<sup>d</sup>. Ordains that it be admitted  
 to probate in Common form.

21 May 1860.

William Hill c. c. B.

The State of S<sup>c</sup> Ca }  
 Abbeville Dist } Personally appeared James Williams  
 and George W. Williams, executors named in the within will  
 and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God  
 saith that the said writing is the true last will of the said  
 Arthur Williams dec<sup>d</sup>. so far as they know and believe -  
 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 thereon - that they will make and return into the  
 office of the Ordinary of the S<sup>c</sup> 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  
 21 May 1860.

W. Hill c. c. B.

George W. Williams  
 J. C. Williams



## ( Last Will and Testament of Elizabeth Harris )

The State of South Carolina }  
 Abbeville District }

In the name of God. Amen!

I, Elizabeth Harris of the State and District above written, being weak in Body, but of sound and disposing mind and memory do make and ordain this my last will and Testament.

1. It is my will and desire that my lands consisting of two Tracts, and containing together seventeen hundred and ninety seven acres, more or less, be divided in such manner as to make the two parcels as nearly equal in value as possible, that in this division reference be had to the two settlements on the Lands, to wit: the Home place and the present residence of my son William; and also that the division be so made as to give to each Tract or parcel one half of a certain portion of wood land supposed to contain two hundred acres and lying partly on both Tracts; that this division be effected by my sons Willis and William calling in each two respectable Citizens, who shall have the power (in the event they cannot agree on a division of the premises of calling in another person. After this division shall have been made I desire that my son William shall have the privilege of choosing whichever of the parcels he may prefer and the parcel so chosen by him I do hereby devise to my son Willis Harris and George A. Addison, their Heirs, Executors and Administrators, in trust nevertheless to permit and allow my son William Harris to possess use and enjoy the said Tract or parcel of Land with all and singular the rights, members and appurtenances thereto belonging for and during the time of his natural life, and at his death the same to be equally divided among his children, share and share alike; discharged of all trust; and should my son William die without leaving child or children surviving him, then I desire the said premises to be equally divided amongst the other Legates named in this will, the child or children of a deceased child taking the share to which the parent would have been entitled, the children of my daughter the late Mrs Elizabeth Watson taking as a class one share  
 (of)

of the same. And I do hereby enjoin on the said Willis Harris and George A. Addison, the necessity of protecting the said premises from waste and improvident management, and their acceptance of this Trust must and will evince their intention to do so.

To my son Willis Harris I do hereby devise the other Tract or parcel of Land, according to the division aforementioned to him and his heirs forever.

2. To my son Willis Harris I give and bequeath the following property, to wit: Carry and his wife Serena and their four children, together with their future increase, and also my dining table, a half dozen heavy table spoons and a half dozen heavy tea spoons, one Walnut tester bedstead and bedding, one common bed and bedding, one dozen split bottom chairs and also one share of all my bed-clothes which I desire to be divided into four equal shares among my four children, in trust nevertheless to and for the following uses and purposes, that is to say in trust to the said Willis Harris his heirs, executors and administrators for the sole and separate use of my daughter Rebecca S. Addison, not subject to the debts contracts and liabilities of her present or of any future husband, and at her death to be equally divided amongst her children discharged of all Trusts, the child or children of a deceased child taking the share to which the parent would have been entitled if living.

3. To my son Willis Harris and George A. Addison I give and bequeath the following property, Maria and her son Phil, Sarah and Ellen together with the increase of the female; also one cotton mattress, the best I have, and two beds and bedsteads, and also one equal share of the bed-clothes as aforementioned, in trust nevertheless to and for the following uses and purposes, that is to say, in trust, to the said Willis Harris and George A. Addison, their heirs, executors and administrators for use for the sole and separate use of my daughter Ann J. Irwin, not subject to the debts contracts and liabilities of her present or any future husband. And I do hereby fully empower my daughter last aforesaid to dispose of the said property by an instrument in the nature of a last will and

Testament, and should she fail to dispose of the same in the manner prescribed, then it is my will that the said property be equally divided amongst the other Legates named herein, the child or children of a deceased child taking the share to which the parent would have been entitled and the children of my daughter the late Mrs Elizabeth Watson taking as a class one equal share thereof: the said property I desire to come under the provisions of this will, subject to the same Conditions limitations and Trusts as herein set forth.

4. To my son Willis Harris and George A Addison I give and bequeath Dave and his wife and their four youngest children, to wit Gus, Lisha, little Dave, and Tilda, Hail and his wife Harriet and their youngest child Laura, old May Lizzie, Ralph & Rhoda and her two children together with the future increase of the females; also my mahogany side-board and safe, the two beds and furniture and the wardrobe in my room and one large green rocking chair; also one dozen light tea spoons and a half dozen light table spoons, also my blacksmith's tools and all the carpenter's and shoemaker's tools on the place; also one equal share of the bed clothes as aforementioned, in trust nevertheless to and for the following uses and purposes, that is to say in trust to the said Willis Harris and George A Addison, their Heirs, Executors and Administrators for ever for the use benefit and behoof of my son William upon the same trusts Conditions and limitations as set forth the devise to him of the Tract or parcel of Land in the first clause of this my will.

I would here direct the payment by my Executors of the balance due on a note given by me to John J. Parks, for a negro woman purchased for my son William, the said note is now in the hands of Dr. Samuel Marshall, after the payment of this balance I desire that my Executors do hold the said note as a charge against my son William and that his settlement of the same in full with three be the Condition on which he is to be entitled to the use of the property hereinbefore given to Willis Harris and George A Addison in trust for him.

5. To my son Willis Harris I give and bequeath the following property, to wit: Hamp, little May, Dick, big Jack, and Huldah and her two children and all increase that they may have at the time of my death; also two beds and

(binding)

bedding and one equal share of the bed-clothes as  
aforementioned.

6. To my grand daughter Lucy A. Watson I do hereby  
give the Mahogany bedstead and bedding and the  
wardrobe which I purchased at her Father's sale.

7. My aged men Bob and Boston must be allowed  
within twelve months after my death to choose homes  
among my children, and for their long and faithful  
services I do bespeak for them kind and considerate  
treatment; and after they shall have made such choice  
I do hereby cheerfully give them to such child or children

Old Mose will probably be a charge to whoever takes  
him and so will Bob (above mentioned) if he becomes  
blind which I much fear and in the event he should  
become so I desire that those persons who divide the  
Land between Willis and William as before provided,  
shall determine and say what will be a proper allow-  
ance for the support of said negroes and that the same  
be paid by my Executors to whosoever supports them.

Allen, Aaron, Alick, Nat and Daniel have the priv-  
ilege of selecting masters at prices fixed by the apprai-  
sement of the persons selected to divide the land as  
aforementioned; they are married and I desire to  
avoid separating them any further than possible  
from their wives.

8. I also give to Willis Harris all the interest which  
I have in certain negroes, to wit Caroline and her  
family and Sarah and her family, in trust ne-  
vertheless to and for the following uses and purposes,  
that is to say in trust to the said Willis Harris, his  
Heirs, Executors and Administrators, for the sole and  
separate use of my daughter Rebecca S. Addison and  
Ann J. Irvin subject to the same trusts, conditions  
and limitations as are set forth in the bequest here-  
inbefore made to their use. - These negroes were improv-  
erly disposed of by my mother the late Mrs Lipscomb  
and by her will given to my said daughter Rebecca  
and Ann Wiley Glouce my nephew, several years ago  
sued for and recovered one half interest in the said  
slaves and I am entitled to the other half interest,  
but I do hereby in the disposition above made cheerfully  
relinquish all claim to the same.

9. The rest and residue of my property of what kind, kind does not hereinafter disposed of I desire to be sold by my Executors, on the premises, after having given due and sufficient notice of the sale and on such terms as they shall think most advantageous - At this sale I request my son Willis to represent his sister Ann and to purchase for her such property as she may wish, the same to be paid for out of her share in her hands and when purchased for her to be subject to the same trusts, conditions and limitations as hereinafter expressed in the bequests to her use - Out of the proceeds of this sale I desire that all my just debts be paid.
10. After the payment of all my just debts and proper expenses, I desire that the remainder of the proceeds of the residue of my property be collected by my Executors and as it is my will that all my children and the children of my daughter the late Mrs Elizabeth Watson do receive equal portions of my whole estate, I do hereby direct that the negroes hereinafter given to my children shall be accounted for and the share of my grand children the children of my daughter Elizabeth Watson be made equal with each of the other shares, out of this residue. The negroes bequeathed hereinafter specifically I desire to be appraised and in the division of the residue as aforesaid deficiencies are to be made up and expenses reduced by that appraisal or valuation.

I further direct that in this division the portion going to each Legatee hereinafter named shall be subject to the same trusts, conditions and limitations as are set forth in the bequests to them severally and respectively.

The share or portions here given to my grand children the children of my said daughter Elizabeth Watson is given to them jointly and should either of them die before marriage or before attaining the age of twenty one years it is my will and desire that his or her share shall go to the survivor and if the last survivor should die before marriage or before attaining the age of twenty one years then the whole share or portions so bequeathed to them shall return and be equally divided among my children herein named, the child or children of a deceased child to take the portion to which the parent would have been entitled if living, always subject to the same trusts conditions and limitations hereinafter set forth.

forth in the bequests to my children respectively.

I do hereby appoint my son Willis Harris the guardian of the property herein bequeathed to my son & grand-children; and should it become necessary I hereby authorize my son Willis to purchase a waiting-maid for my grand-daughter Lucy a Watson, paying for the same out of his own funds in his hands.

11. I do hereby constitute and appoint my son Willis Harris and my son-in-law George A. Addison the Executors of this my last Will and Testament.

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand this the seventeenth day of August A. D. Eighteen hundred and fifty nine.

Elizabeth Harris

In presence of  
J. L. Griffin  
J. John Seal  
M. W. Coleman

State of South Carolina }  
Abbeville District } Codicil

I, Elizabeth Harris desiring to make some alterations in the disposal of my property as above set forth do make and ordain this Codicil to my last Will and Testament.

It is my will and desire that my faithful and trusty man servant Dave and his wife and four youngest children herebefore bequeathed to my son William shall in the event of Dave's dissatisfaction be sold to my son Willis at a price fixed by some fair means of valuation; and in the event of William's death before either of his children shall attain the age of twenty one years it is my will and desire that the said negroes be sold to my son Willis as above.

My negro men Dick and Big Jack herebefore bequeathed to Willis I do hereby give to William subject however to the same trusts, conditions & limitations as set forth the devise to him in the first clause of this my will.

It is my will also that out of William's share of the ready money arising from the sale of the residue

In the first clause of my will I direct at the death of my son William he leaving children that the part of said child to him to equally divided amongst such children. It do hereby alter that provision and in the happening of the event there on my estate it do hereby direct the said part of said child and after the payment to my daughter Rebecca of one thousand dollars of the purchase money thereof that the balance be equally divided amongst the children of my son William.

of my estate as directed in the ninth clause of my will that William's indebtedness to me for monies advanced in the payment of his debts, as well as debts due to me by him of every nature and kind whatsoever be paid.

My man servant Hail and his wife and their youngest child Laura hereinbefore bequeathed to William I do hereby give and bequeath to Willis Harris in trust for Rebecca S. Addison, subject to the same trusts conditions and limitations as set forth the bequests to her use hereinbefore made, also to the same and in like manner the large bedstead in my room hereinbefore bequeathed to William - William having the privilege of selecting any other bedstead in the house not hereinbefore disposed of.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand this thirtieth day of April in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty

Elizabeth Harris;

The marginal items on this page made before execution

In presence of  
 Wm P. Andrews  
 John Seals  
 M C Paggart

The State of South Carolina }  
 Abbeville District } Codicil No 2.

I Elizabeth Harris desiring to clear up certain ambiguities which may exist in my foregoing will, do make and ordain this Codicil thereto.

In the tenth clause of my will directions are given for dividing the money arising from the sale of the residue of my estate as directed in the preceding clause; and in the said tenth clause my desire is expressed to make the shares of all the legatees named in the will equal, it is my will and desire that this equality shall apply to the personal property only, it being my will that the Lands devised to Willis and William shall be that much over  
 (and)

and above their equal share of the personal property herein before bequeathed.

In the fourth clause of my will Tilda is named & styled one of the four youngest children of Dave and his wife, she is not properly described thus, being older than Cary, but I mean her to pass as therein directed with Gus Lisha & little Dave.

In all other respects I do hereby ratify and confirm my foregoing will, in testimony whereof I do hereby to set my hand to the same, this tenth day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty.

In presence of  
Caroline M. Creswell  
James Creswell  
Jos. P. Coltraw

Elizabeth Harris

The State of S<sup>c</sup> Carolina  
Abbeville District

Personally appeared John Seals, who made oath that he was personally present and did see Elizabeth Harris, sign, seal, and heard her publish and declare the annexed paper to contain her last will and testament that she was of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding to the best of his knowledge and belief - that J. L. Sniffin and M. W. Coleman, 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 of the same.

The Deponent further swears that he was personally present, and did see the said Elizabeth Harris sign, publish, pronounce and declare the writing in connection with the said will to be a Codicil thereto - that she was at the time of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding to the best of his knowledge & belief - that Mr. F. Andrews and M. C. Taggart together with himself and in the presence of the said Mrs. Elizabeth Harris, did sign their names as witnesses to the due execution of the same.

Sworn before me this  
19 June 1860.  
W. Hill & A. B.

J. R. Seals



The State of S<sup>c</sup> Carolina }  
 Abbeville District } Personally appeared Jas C Coltraw  
 and made oath that he was personally present and did see  
 Elizabeth Harris, de<sup>ce</sup>, publick and pronounced the writing annexed  
 to be a codicil to her last will and Testament which bears date  
 the seventeenth day of August Eighteen hundred and fifty nine  
 - that the said Elizabeth was of sound mind memory and  
 understanding to the best of his knowledge and belief - that James  
 Caswell and Caroline McCaswell together with himself - in the  
 presence of each other, and in the presence of the said Elizabeth  
 did sign their names as witnesses to the due execution of the same  
 Sworn before me  
 19 June 1860  
 W Hill O.A.D. } James S Coltraw.

The State of S<sup>c</sup> Carolina } In the matter of the paper purpor-  
 Abbeville District } ting to be the will of Elizabeth Harris.  
 Having examined John Seal and Jas S Coltraw, two  
 of the witnesses to the foregoing will of Elizabeth Harris de<sup>ce</sup>  
 and being satisfied that it is the true last will of said  
 deceased, it is Ordered that it be admitted to Probate in  
 Common form.  
 19 June 1860. W Hill O.A.D.

The State of S<sup>c</sup> Carolina }  
 Abbeville District } Personally appeared Willis Harris  
 and George A Addison Executors named in the annexed  
 Will, who being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty  
 God - upon oath saith that said writing contains the true  
 last will and Testament of Elizabeth Harris de<sup>ce</sup>. to the  
 best of their knowledge and belief - that they will well  
 and truly execute the same by paying first the debts and  
 then the legacies therein contained, so far as the goods  
 and chattels will extend and the law charge thereon -  
 that they will make and return into the office of the  
 Ordinary of the said district a true Inventory and apprais-  
 ment of the Estate of the said de<sup>ce</sup> within the time pres-  
 cribed by law

Sworn before me  
 this 19 June 1860  
 W Hill O.A.D. }

Willis S. Harris  
 Geo A. Addison

## (The Last Will &amp; Testament of Mary A. Ellison dec'd)

The State of South Carolina

In the name of God. Amen!

I Mary A. Ellison of Abbeville District in the said State, being of sound disposing mind and memory, do make, publish and declare this, as and for my last will and testament, hereby revoking all others and former wills by me at any time heretofore made.

- 1 I give and bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth Chambers, the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500).
- 2 I give and bequeath to my daughter, Margaret Adger the sum of five hundred dollars, (\$500).
- 3 I give and bequeath to my daughter Harriet Harrison the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6000.)
- 4 I give and bequeath to my daughter Isabella W. Boggs, the sum of Three thousand dollars (\$3000.)
- 5 I give and bequeath to my daughter, Mary Yongue, the sum of One thousand dollars (\$1000.)
- 6 I give and bequeath to the children of my deceased daughter Sarah Chambers, to wit: Mary Campbell, William C. Chambers, Margaret Myers and Harriet Myers, each, the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250, each)
- 7 I give and bequeath to my daughter Harriet Harrison, my negro slaves, namely, Binah George, Mary, Robert, Betsey and Furry, Sam, Jane, Sukey and her children Lizzie, Caroline and Eliza, together with their future increase; also my carriage, horses, furniture and household articles of all kinds.
- 8 I give and bequeath unto my son William H. Ellison, the sum of five dollars (\$5.), he being already provided for.
- 9 I give and bequeath to my son Robert C. Ellison, the sum of five dollars (\$5), (having already paid for him more than four thousand dollars, in addition to the large and valuable property I have given him.)
- 10 I give and bequeath all the rest and residue of my estate, as follows; one-fourth part thereof to my daughter Isabella Boggs; one fourth part to my daughter Mary Yongue; one fourth part to my daughter Harriet Harrison; and the remaining fourth part to

the children of my deceased daughter, Sarah Chamber,  
equally to be divided among them.

11. I charge the payment of any debts that I may be owing at the time of my death, upon my residuary estate, which I judge to be more than sufficient for the purpose. But if from any cause, that should prove insufficient, then the pecuniary legacies herein given and bequeathed, are to abate proportionally, except those to my daughter Harriet Harrison in the third and seventh clauses hereof, which are, under all circumstances, to be paid and delivered without abatement of any kind.
12. The provisions herein made are expressly in lieu of any and every claim or demand of any legatee upon me or my estate, or any part of it; and should any legatee set up any claim to any part of my estate, or to any of the property herein bequeathed to any other legatee, then I revoke the legacy herein bequeathed to him or her so claiming and direct that the same shall pass to the residuary legatees.
13. I nominate and appoint Robert B. Boylston Esq of Fairfield, to be the Executor of this my last Will and testament. In the event of his death, refusal to serve, or inability to act from any cause, then and in that event I appoint James M. Perrin Esq of Abbeville, to be the Executor hereof.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto affixed my hand and seal this fifteenth day of June, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty seven and in the eighty first year of American Independence

Mary A. Ellison 

Signed, Sealed, Published and Declared  
by the Testatrix, as and for her last  
will and testament, in our presence,  
who in her presence and in the presence  
of each other, and at her request,  
have hereunto subscribed our names as  
Witnesses

Thos. C. Perrin

Joseph J. Wardlaw

Thompson A. Lyon

## State of South Carolina

Having on the 15<sup>th</sup> day June in the year of our Lord 1857 made and executed my last will and testament and now being desirous to change the same and add thereto in certain particulars, I do hereby make this a Codicil thereto.

- 1<sup>st</sup> I do hereby revoke the 4<sup>th</sup> clause of the said will in which I have given and bequeathed to Isabella W. Boggs the sum of Three Thousand Dollars - and in place thereof I do hereby give and bequeath to the said Isabella W. Boggs the sum of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2000.00) ~~which amount I desire may be placed at interest and no part thereof be spent until she arrives at the age of twenty one years or marries when it is to be paid with the accumulation of interest.~~
- 2<sup>nd</sup> I give and bequeath to my great grand daughter Mary Harrison Hoyt the sum of One thousand Dollars (\$1000.00) which amount I desire may be placed at interest and no part thereof be spent until she arrives at the age of twenty one years or marries when it is to be paid with the accumulation of interest.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> I do hereby give and bequeath to the daughters of my deceased daughter Sarah Chambers to wit - Mary Campbell, Margaret Myers and Harriet Myers, each a sum sufficient to make the legacy of each in the 6<sup>th</sup> clause of my will the sum of One thousand Dollars. (\$1000.00)

In all other respects I do hereby confirm my said will.

Witness my hand and seal this 23<sup>rd</sup> May A.D. 1859.

Mary A. Ellison 

Signed, sealed & delivered  
in the presence of  
Erasmus & interlineations in the  
1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> clauses before signing  
G. A. Wardlaw  
S. J. Robertson  
John J. Owen

The State of S<sup>c</sup> Carolina }  
Abbeville District } In the Court of Ordinary.

Personally came Joseph J. Wardlaw one of the subscribing witnesses to the foregoing writing, and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God makes oath that he was personally present and did see

May A Ellison sign, seal, publish, pronounce and declare  
the said writing to contain 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 Thomas C. Perine and Thompson & Ly on  
together with himself, and in the presence of each other  
and in the presence of the said testatrix did sign their  
names as witnesses to the due execution thereof

Seen before me this

22 June 1860

William Hill O.A.D.

J. J. Wardlaw

Also personally came J. T. Robertson one of  
the subscribing witnesses to the Codicil in connection with  
the foregoing will of the said May A. Ellison, and  
upon oath says that he was personally present and did  
see the said May A. Ellison sign, seal, publish and  
pronounce the said writing to be a Codicil to her last will  
and testament - that she was then of sound and disposing  
mind, memory and understanding to the best of his  
knowledge & belief - that J. A. Wardlaw, and John T.  
Owen together with himself, and in the presence of each  
other, and in the presence of the Testatrix did sign  
their names as witnesses to the due execution thereof

Seen before me this

22 June 1860

William Hill O.A.D.

J. T. Robertson

State of S<sup>c</sup> Carolina

Abbeville District

In the Ct of Ordinary.

Having examined J. J. Wardlaw, one of the  
subscribing witnesses to the foregoing will, and J. T.  
Robertson one of the witnesses to the Codicil thereto - and  
being fully satisfied that the whole taken together is the  
true last will & Testament of May A. Ellison, dec'd  
It is therefore Ordered that the same be admitted to  
Probate in 'Common Form'.

William Hill. O. A. D.

The State of S<sup>c</sup> Carolina

Abbeville District

Personally came R. B. Boylston  
Executor named in the foregoing will, and made oath

(that)

that said writing contains the true last Will & Testament of Mary A. Ellison deceased to the best of his knowledge & belief - and that he will well and truly execute the same by paying first the debts and then the legacies therein contained, as far as the goods and chattels will extend and the law changed kind - that he will make a true and perfect Inventory of all such goods and Chattels, and return a Statement of the same into the Office of the Ordinary of the said District when the same are required

Subscribed and the  
22 June 1860  
William Hill.  
O. A. D.

R. B. Boylston.

### Last Will & Testament of G. W. Huckabee.

The State of South Carolina }  
Abbeville District }

In the name of God. Amen! -

I, Green William Huckabee, Planter; of the District and State aforesaid - being of sound disposing mind memory and understanding, but calling to mind the uncertainty of life and certainty of death, do make and ordain this my last will and testament, being the last and only will ever made by me. -

First. I will and direct that all my just debts be paid.

Second. In reference to the estate which it hath pleased God to bless my labor, I will and disposed of as follows. - I will and bequeath to my little daughter Anna Caroline Farnwell Huckabee my little negro girl Julia about ten years old. My purpose is to settle the said negro girl Julia upon my said daughter Anna and therefore I give the said girl and all her increase to the sole separate exclusive use of my said daughter Anna during her natural life, and at her death to be divided among her children discharged of all trust. The children of any deceased child to represent the parent and take among them the share the parent if living would have taken. -

Third. I give and bequeath the little girl Tobey, to my daughter Ella Magruder Huckabee to her sole separate and exclusive use during her life, and at her death to her children precisely  
(in)


in the same manner as the gift to Anna in the foregoing clause of this will. -

Fourth As to the rest residue and remainder of all my property I give devise and bequeath the same to my dearly beloved wife Caroline Amanda Huckabee during her natural life, and at her death to be disposed of as hereinafter directed. - I have every confidence in the discretion of my dearly beloved wife, and I therefore give her the discretion as she may see fit to give off to our children or any of them such portions of the estate as she can spare and they stand in need of. This property is given to secure a comfortable support and maintenance for my wife and children. I also give my wife the authority, with the concurrence of my Executors hereinafter named to exchange or sell off any portions of my estate - the proceeds of such sale still being considered as part of my estate.

Fifth At the death of my wife I desire my Executors to sell the whole of my estate, and divide the same so as to make all my children equal - counting as advancements all gifts heretofore made - all gifts made by this will, and all that may be made by my said wife during her life estate as before stated. My purpose being to make all my children equal in all things derived from me.

Sixth. I hereby nominate constitute and appoint my son James Wilburn Huckabee, and my son in law Franklin C. DeFoe Executors of this my last will and testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto signed my name and affixed my seal this 15<sup>th</sup> November 1859.

G. W. Huckabee 

In presence of  
Robt H Wardlaw  
W. C. Davis  
J. McGowan

The State of S. Ca }  
Abbeville Dist } Personally appeared Robt H Wardlaw,  
one of the subscribing witnesses to the foregoing will, and upon oath saith that he was personally present, and did see G. W. Huckabee, sign, seal, publish and declare the same to be his last will and testament. That the Testator was of sound and disposing mind, memory & understanding, to the best of his knowledge & belief - that W. C. Davis and J. McGowan together with himself and in the presence of each other, & in the presence of the said G. W. Huckabee, did sign their names as witnesses to the deed

execution of the same.

Robt H Wardlaw

sworn before me

7 Aug<sup>r</sup> 1860.

W. Hill. O. A. D.

Having examined Robt H Wardlaw, one of the subscribing witnesses to the foregoing will, and being satisfied that it is the true last will and testament of the aforesaid J. W. Huestake. - It is Ordered that it be admitted to probate in common form.

7 August 1860.

William Hill O. A. D.

The State of S<sup>c</sup> Co

Abbeville Dist

Personally came James W. Huestake and J. F. C. Dupre, executors named in the foregoing will and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God upon oath saith that the said writing contains the true last will and Testament of the said J. W. Huestake as far as they know and believe - that they will well and truly execute the same by paying first the debts and then the legacies therein contained as far as the goods and chattels will extend, and the law charge thereon - that they will make and return into the office of the Ordinary of the said District a true Inventory and appraisement of the estate of the said dec<sup>d</sup> within the time prescribed by law.

sworn before me

7 August 1860

W. Hill O. A. D.

J. W. Huestake

J. F. C. Dupre

(Last Will & Testament of James A. M<sup>r</sup> Dowall.)

State of South Carolina, Abbeville District.

In the name of God Amen. I, James A. M<sup>r</sup> Dowall of the State and District before mentioned, being of sound mind do make this my last will and testament.

1<sup>st</sup> I give and bequeath to Irvin Hutchison one hundred dollars in trust to be expended in building a Methodist Church now in progress of erection at a place about 300 yards from R. R. Talberts

2<sup>nd</sup> I give and bequeath my Gold Watch and Chain to my (brother)



- brother George M. McDowell
- 3<sup>rd</sup> I give and bequeath to my brother Patrick H. McDowell One hundred dollars as equivalent to the watch above bequeathed to my brother George M. McDowell
- 4<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath to J. C. Lipscomb twenty five dollars in trust to be expended for the benefit of Mrs. Lucinda Brant as he may think best
- 5<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath to the Rev J. M. Carlisle the sum of twenty five dollars
- 6<sup>th</sup> It is my will that the remainder of my property (after the above bequests) be equally divided between my two brothers George M. McDowell and Patrick H. McDowell
- 7<sup>th</sup> I do hereby constitute and appoint W. L. Anderson my lawful executor to this will

In testimony whereof I have this day the 14<sup>th</sup> of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty, set my hand and seal hereto

James A. McDowell *J.A.M.*

In presence of  
 J. C. Lipscomb  
 J. L. Brooks  
 E. F. McSwain }

The State of South Carolina }  
 Abbeville District } Personally appeared E. F. McSwain,  
 one of the subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing will, and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, upon oath saith, that he was personally present and did see James A. McDowell, sign, seal, publish and pronounced the same to be his last will and testament - that the Testator was of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding to the best of his knowledge and belief, that J. C. Lipscomb and J. L. Brooks, together with himself, and in the presence of the said Testator, and in the presence of each other, signed their names as witnesses to the due execution of the same.

sworn before me 5 Sept 1860 } E. F. McSwain.  
 William Hill o. a. s }

The State of S<sup>c</sup> Co } Having examined E. F. McSwain one of the  
 Abbeville Dist } Witnesses to the foregoing will, and being satisfied  
 that it is the true last will and testament of James A. McDowell -

"Ordered that it be admitted to Probate in Common form  
 5 Sept 1860. William Hill, o. a. s

The State of S<sup>c</sup> Co }

Abt. Dist } Personally came W<sup>m</sup> L<sup>d</sup> Anderson Executor  
named in the foregoing Will, and being sworn Saith, that  
said writing contains the true last Will & Testament of  
James A. McDowall<sup>decd</sup>, to the best of his knowledge & belief -  
That he will well and truly administer 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 and correct Inventory  
and appraisement of the Estate of the said decd, within the  
time prescribed by law.

sworn before me

5 Sept 1860

W<sup>m</sup> Hill C. A. D.

W. L. Anderson.

( Last Will & Testament of Joshua Dubose, decd )

State of South Carolina }

Abbeville District }

In the name of God. Amen.

I, Joshua Dubose of the State and District above  
written, being of sound and disposing mind, memory and  
understanding do make and establish this my last Will  
and testament, in manner and form as follows.

- 1<sup>st</sup> I give and bequeath to my young friend Miss Margaret E.  
Lyon for her kindness to my deceased wife a negro girl  
named Oelia with her future increase to her and her child-  
ren forever.
- 2<sup>d</sup> I give and bequeath to my friend John E. Lyon the follow-  
ing named slaves - to wit Jean with her children Jane, Becky  
and Henry with her grandchildren Jane, Arstey Jim Tom  
Howard Oliver and Fanny with the future increase of the  
females to him and his heirs forever.
- 3<sup>d</sup> I give and bequeath to my young kinsman John Alexander  
Dubose, the oldest son of my nephew Joshua W. Dubose the  
following named Slaves, to wit Sarah and her six children  
viz Laura, Frank, Caroline Mark Porter and Major together  
with the future increase of the females to him and his heirs  
forever.
- 4<sup>th</sup> I furthermore will and desire that the remainder of my  
negroes - with the plantation on which I resided, with all my  
stock of every kind, and everything else of which I may  
(die)

the possessed, not herein enumerated shall be sold by my  
Executor, hereinafter to be named, that all my just debts be  
paid from the proceeds of said sale and the balance after  
all my debts are paid to be equally divided between my grand-nephews  
John Alexander Dubois and Benjamin Dubois the sons of my nephew  
Joshua W. Dubois.

I do hereby constitute and appoint my friend James A.  
Stowood Executor of this my last will and testament. In witness  
whereof I have hereunto signed my name and affixed my seal this  
the first day of August in the year of Our Lord One thousand eight  
hundred and fifty nine

Joshua Dubois (LS)

In presence of  
Mr. O. Talman  
J. A. Rogers  
Jr: C. Scott

The State of S<sup>c</sup> Carolina } Personally appeared J. A. Rogers, one of the  
Abbeville District } Witnesses to the foregoing will, and upon  
oath sworn, that he was personally present, and did see Joshua  
Dubois, sign, seal, and heard him publish and pronounce the same  
to contain his last will and testament - that the said Testator  
was of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding  
to the best of his knowledge & belief. That he, together with Mr. O  
Talman, and Jr: C. Scott, in the presence of the Testator, and in  
the presence of each other, signed their names as witnesses to its  
due execution.

Sworn before me 5 Nov 1860  
W. Hill, C. A. D.

J. A. Rogers.

The State of S<sup>c</sup> Carolina }  
Abbeville District } Having examined J. A. Rogers, one of  
the subscribing witnesses, to the foregoing will and being satisfied  
that it is the true last will of Joshua Dubois dec'd.

Orders that it be admitted to Probate in "Common form"  
5 Nov 1860 William Hill C. A. D.

The State of S<sup>c</sup> Ca } Personally came James A. Stowood, Gov  
Abbeville Dist } named in the foregoing will, and being  
sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God upon oath says  
that the said paper contains the true last will of Joshua Dubois  
so far as he knows and believes - 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 - and that he will make and return into the office of the Court of the said district a true inventory of the Estate of the said decd. within the time prescribed by law.

Jas A. Howard.

Subscribed before me 3 Decr 1860.

W. Hill C. A. D.

(Last Will & Testament of Margaret Matthews decd.)

November the 30<sup>th</sup> 1837

South Carolina }  
Abbeville District }

The last Will and Testament of Margaret Matthews.  
In the name of God Amen. - I Margaret Matthews of the State of South Carolina Abbeville District - knowing the uncertainty of this life, and being of a sound and disposing mind, do make and publish this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following (that is to say) First I do solemnly give and bequeath unto my dearly beloved daughters Mary Matthews and Lucretia Matthews my bedstead and all my bedding to hold during their natural lives, and to descend after their death to the heirs of their bodies, but upon condition no heirs be born to them it is my solemn wish that the said bedstead and bedding after the death of the said Mary Matthews and Lucretia Matthews, descend to my other children. Considering the destitute condition of my beloved daughters Mary Matthews and Lucretia Matthews I further give and bequeath unto them the sum of four hundred dollars more or less which is coming to me from my deceased husband's estate, to have and to hold during their natural lives, and after their death to descend to the heirs of their bodies - but upon condition no heirs be born to them it is my solemn wish that the said sum or whatever is remaining of it, after their death, go to my other children to be divided equally amongst them. I hereby appoint James McCallan Esq. sole Executor 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 30<sup>th</sup> day of November in the year of our Lord

one thousand eight hundred and fifty seven

Margaret <sup>made</sup> Mathews

The above Will was subscribed by Margaret Mathews the Testatrix in the presence of each of us; and was at the same time declared by her to be her last Will and Testament, and we at her request, sign our names hereto, as attesting witnesses

Samuel Link

Robert M. Caslow

Robert H. Drennon.

The State of S<sup>c</sup>. Carolina } Personally appeared Samuel Link, and being  
Abbeville District } sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God  
I say that he was personally present and did see Margaret Mathews sign and seal, publish and pronounce the foregoing paper to contain her last Will and testament, that the said Margaret was of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding to the best of his knowledge & belief - that Robt H. Drennon and Robert M. Caslow together with himself, in the presence of each other, and in the presence of the said Margaret Mathews did sign their names as witnesses to the due execution of the same.

Sworn before me this

12 Decr 1860

W. Hill O.C.S.

Samuel Link.

Having examined Samuel Link one of the subscribing witnesses to the foregoing Will and being satisfied that it is the true last will of Margaret Mathews dec<sup>d</sup>. "Ordered that it be admitted to Probate in Common form."

12 Decr 1860

W. Hill O.C.S.

The State of S<sup>c</sup>. Carolina } Personally appeared James M. Caslow, Esq<sup>r</sup>  
Abbeville District } named in the foregoing Will, and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, upon oath says, that the said writing contains the true last Will and Testament of Margaret Mathews dec<sup>d</sup>. to the best of his knowledge & belief. That he will make and return into the office of the Ordinary of the District a true Inventory of the Estate of the said decedent within the time prescribed by law.

Sworn before me

19 Decr 1860

W. Hill O.C.S.

James M. Caslow

## (The Last Will &amp; Testament of John Coltrane dec'd)

The State of South Carolina.

I John Coltrane of Abbeville District and State aforesaid, being of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding, and being desirous of disposing of my estate and property do make and ordain this my last will and testament. I hereby revoke all former wills by me made.

- 1 I will and direct that all my just debts be paid.
- 2 Unto my wife Elizabeth Lee, I give and devise the tract of land on which I reside, except a portion thereof lying on the creek: I direct a line to be run from a point on Jas H Widemans line three hundred yards from Hardlabor creek, to Chiles quarter land, in such way as to leave in the home tract eight hundred acres, which with all the appurtenances & improvements I devise to my wife aforesaid.
- 3 My quarter tract of land and the part or portion cut off from the home tract as aforesaid situate on Hardlabor Creek, containing fourteen hundred acres more or less, with the mill & all the appurtenances, I give & devise unto my son Wade E Coltrane & my daughter Elizabeth P Coltrane in equal right, to be held by them jointly, or equally divided in value between them, as they may choose, to be taken by them at valuation, the appraisors to be appointed by the Ordinary of the district.
- 4 I give & devise unto my son Samuel G. Coltrane my piney-woods Tract of land, situate near Mount Enon in Edgefield district, lately purchased from the Greenville & Columbia Railroad Company, by C. W. Sproull and myself, and by arrangement between us, C. W. Sproull has assigned to me all his interest. To this tract of land I have not yet received title nor paid for it: I direct the purchase money to be paid according to the terms agreed upon in the purchase, and the title perfected; this tract of land, the steam Engine, mill and all the appurtenances I give & devise unto my said son Samuel G. & his heirs forever: Provided nevertheless, that if said son Samuel G. on or before the first of January next, should decline to take the said tract & mill, I give notice thereof to my Executors, then my will is, & I so direct that the said tract of land and mill be sold or so managed by my executors, as not to be sacrificed if possible. If my said son Samuel G. should take this tract & mill I value the whole at twelve thousand dollars, at which price he is to be charged for it; (but)

- but in case he refuses to take it, then this amount of money to be made up to him out of proceeds of sales of my property or by contribution.
5. I have given off property & contributed otherwise to my daughter Mary R. wife of Samuel F. Stephens, & to the said Samuel F. Stephens, my son in law, which I value at Ten thousand dollars, & now charge them with that amount as advancements. At the time of their removal from this state, I owed to the said Samuel F. Stephens a note for a large amount of money, he also placed in my hands for collection various notes and accounts. I have collected & forwarded to him money at different times, & also forwarded to him money which should be credited as payments on my note. An account of my collections for him & money paid to him & forwarded I have kept in my book of accounts - no settlement of these matters has been finally made between us. If I have not fully paid up my note and also for my collections as aforesaid, I direct the settlement to be made, & the balance to be paid; but if on settlement it should be ascertained that I have overpaid him, then I direct that the sum of money so overpaid be charged as advancements to my daughter Mary R. over and above the advancement aforesaid.
  6. I have at various times advanced to all of my children money of which I have kept no account; also paid money for them at different times. As to all this I desire that no charge be now made; except as to Samuel. I charge him with five hundred dollars as advancement for which he must account.
  7. I give & bequeath unto my daughter Elizabeth P. my servant Girl Clara to be valued as my other negroes.
  8. As my son Wade E. has not yet finished his education, I give him, free from account five hundred dollars.
  9. As to all the rest of my negroes I will and bequeath them as follows; I direct that they be divided between my wife and children, the whole to be valued by appraisors to be appointed by the ordinary, the amount to be added up, & then my wife to have her choice of the negroes, taking such as she pleases, until her share of one fifth of the whole value thereof, shall be made up to her; and then, the remainder of the negroes be allotted to my four children, so as to make their shares, with the advancements, devises & bequests herein mentioned & made, all equal. It being my wish to make all my children equal in their shares of my estate.
  10. It is my will and desire & I so order and direct that my Estate and property be kept together, and managed by my executor, as it now is, until the first of January next. that the Mill in Edgefield

District be managed by my son Samuel S. and that for his services he be paid a fair compensation. As soon after the first of January as may be convenient. I order and direct that all of my estate real and personal, not disposed of in this will, be sold by my Executors on a credit of twelve months with interest from the day of sale. From the proceeds of which, moneys on hand, notes, accounts & other assets, I direct that all my just debts be paid, and the balance, if any, to be equally divided between my wife & children in equal shares.

- 11 The Estate & property given herein to my wife is given to her & her heirs forever.
- 12 It is my will & desire, that one half of the Estate and property by me given to my daughters respectively shall be to and for their sole and separate use and behoof, not subject to the debts, contracts liabilities, or engagements of the present or any future husband for and during their natural life time, and at their deaths, respectively, this one half of her share to go to the child or children of the deceased mother, in equal shares, the issue of any deceased child to take the share that the parent if living would have taken. The Executors of this will to be Trustees to preserve the property & to carry out the true intent and meaning of this provision; My daughters in each case to have as free use & enjoyment of their property as may be consistent with this trust, and the Trustees not to be held liable for any loss in consequence of such use or enjoyment.
- 13 If my daughter Elizabeth P. should die without leaving a husband or issue, my will is that the property herein given to her should go to & be equally divided amongst my other children.
14. It is my will and desire that the legacies and shares herein given to my children, shall be in satisfaction of all claims & demand against me for their shares or interest in their brother John's estate, and if received, to be in full discharge of me or my estate on that account.
- 15 I hereby appoint my friends Thomas C. Perriu and my son Samuel S. Cothran Executors of this will. This eleventh day of October 1860. Witness my hand & seal.  
Signed, sealed, acknowledged and published as & for his last Will & testament in our presence who in his presence & in presence of each other have witnessed & subscribed the due execution thereof.  
Samuel Perriu. John C. Chiles.  
Thos P. Quarles.

John Cothran 



The State of S<sup>c</sup>. Carolina }  
 Abbeville District } Personally appeared Thomas F. Quarles, one of  
 being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, says that he was personally present and did see John Coltraw sign and seal, and heard him pronounce and declare the said writing to contain his last will and Testament. That the Testator was of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding to the best of his knowledge and belief - that Samuel Perrin and John C. Chiles together with himself, in the presence of each other, and in the presence of the Testator did sign their names as witnesses to the due execution of the same.

Sworn before me  
 this 12 Decr 1860  
 W. Hill, C. A. D.

Thos F. Quarles

Having examined Thomas F. Quarles, one of the subscribing witnesses to the foregoing will and being satisfied that it is the true last will and testament of John Coltraw dec<sup>d</sup>.

Ordered that it be admitted to Probate in Common form.

12 Decr 1860.

William Hill, C. A. D.

The State of S<sup>c</sup>. Carolina }  
 Abbeville District } Personally appeared Thos. C. Perrin and  
 Samuel S. Coltraw, executors named in the foregoing will of John Coltraw dec<sup>d</sup>. and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, saith that the said writing is the true last will of the said John Coltraw, so far as they know and believe; 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 thereof - that they will make a true and correct Inventory of all such goods and chattels, and return the same into the Ordinarys office of said district in order to be recorded, within the time prescribed by law.

Sworn to before me  
 12 Decr 1860  
 William Hill  
 C. A. D.

Thos. C. Perrin  
 Samuel S. Coltraw

## (Last Will &amp; Testament of Franklin Bowie dec'd)

South Carolina } In the name of God Amen.  
 Abbeville District } I, Franklin Bowie being of sound  
 mind and memory do make and publish this my last will  
 and testament in manner and form following.  
 First, I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Malinda  
 Bowie the following to wit, that is to say, the following named  
 Slaves Coner Elizer Betty Gorge & there increase as her  
 own property to hold and to do with as she may think best.  
 Second, I leave her one slave named Elick and all my estate  
 both Real and personally during her life time or until she  
 may want to bring the same to sale then after paying all  
 of my just debts, I want her to have two thirds of the proceeds  
 the other third to go to my Mother and Sister and Brothers.  
 I do nominate and appoint my wife Malinda Bowie  
 and Williston W. Franklin to be the Executors of this my  
 last will and testament.

In testimony whereof I have subscribed my name and  
 affixed my seal this nineteenth day of November in the  
 year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred and sixty.

In the presence of

Wm. McIlwain

Wm. Gordon

Andrew Morrison.

Franklin Bowie (L)

The State of S. Carolina } Personally appeared Wm. McIlwain, one  
 Abbeville District } of the subscribing witnesses to the foregoing  
 will, and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God  
 saith, that he was personally present & did see Franklin Bowie  
 sign, seal, and heard him publish & pronounce the same to contain  
 his last will & testament. That testator was of sound and dis-  
 posing mind, memory and understanding to the best of his  
 knowledge & belief - that Wm. Gordon and Andrew Morrison, to-  
 gether with himself, and in the presence of each other and in  
 the presence of the testator, signed their names as witnesses to  
 its due execution.

Wm. McIlwain

Sworn before me

21 Dec<sup>r</sup> 1860

M. Hill o, a, B

The State of S. Ca } Having examined William Mc Elwan, one of  
 Abbeville District } the subscribing witnesses to the foregoing will and  
 being satisfied that it is the true last will & Testament of Franklin Bowne  
 dec'd. Ordered that it be admitted to Probate in Com: form.  
 21 Decr 1860. W. Hill C. J. D.

The State of S. Carolina } Personally appeared Malinda Bowne  
 Abbeville District } and Williston Mc Franklin. Et al. & Geo<sup>r</sup>  
 named in the foregoing will, and being sworn saith that said  
 writing contains the true last will of Franklin Bowne to the best of  
 their knowledge & belief. - that they will will and truly execute the  
 same by paying first the debts and then the legacies therein contain-  
 ed so far as the goods & 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 & Appraisement of the Estate of  
 the said dec'd within the time prescribed by law.

Sworn before me

21 Decr 1860. W. Hill. C. J. D.

Williston Mc Franklin  
 Malinda Bowne  
 Geo<sup>r</sup>

(Last Will & Testament of Jacob B. Britt. dec 3 )

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

I, Jacob B. Britt of the State and District aforesaid,  
 being in a lingering state of health, but of sound mind and  
 disposing memory do make and ordain This my last Will and  
 Testament. That is particularly and first of all, I give and  
 recommend my soul to God who gave it, and my body to be  
 buried in a Christianlike manner. And as touching such worldly  
 estate with which it has pleased God to bless me in this life,  
 I give, devise, bequeath and dispose of the same in the following  
 manner and form. First, I give and bequeath unto my beloved  
 wife Pamela Britt the following negroes, negroes that I received  
 of her on our marriage, namely, Peter, Patience, Mearns, Jane,  
 Wiley, Black Caroline and Ann, and also one Bedstead, Bed  
 and furniture, all her wearing apparel trunks, and Bureau  
 with looking glass attached with such house furniture as may  
 be therein contained, also one gold watch, one set of silver Tea-  
 spoons, one horse named John Bascomb, one Cow, named Rose,  
 and calf one work table and one hundred dollars in cash.  
 All the above property and money to be hers forever.

In consequence of having to pay out money for my wife  
 Permelia to the estate of her former husband Jesse Limbert  
 it will require all the money gained by our several lawsuits  
 to make my estate whole. I therefore retain all moneys that  
 have been or may be received from said lawsuits to be dis-  
 posed of with the remainder of my estate. I will and be-  
 queath to my daughter Susan Caroline Britt two hundred  
 dollars, and to my son Charles Ansel Britt one thousand  
 dollars, and to my son Jacob Louis Britt one thousand  
 two hundred dollars to make them equal to my other children  
 Thomas Johnson Britt, James Vel Britt, Mariam Louisa  
 Britt, Jane Elisabeth Jones and Sarah Ann Britt in point  
 of education. I will and bequeath unto my sons Charles  
 Ansel Britt and Jacob Louis Britt the right and benefit  
 of a Scholarship in Erskine College. S. C.

I will that all the remainder of my estate, both real and  
 personal, be sold and all my just debts be paid out of  
 the proceeds thereof, and all the remainder of said proceeds,  
 together with what money I may have on hand at my  
 decease be equally divided among my eight children,  
 Thomas Johnson Britt, Charles Ansel Britt, and  
 Jacob Louis Britt, share and share alike, and lastly,  
 I do hereby ordain and appoint my two sons Thomas  
 Johnson Britt and James Vel Britt executors of this my  
 last will and Testament, revoking and disallowing all  
 former wills and Testaments by me heretofore made, and  
 do declare this to be my last will and Testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal,  
 this the 21<sup>st</sup> day of January 1861.

J. B. Britt 

Signed, published, proclaimed and  
 declared by the said Jacob B. Britt  
 as his last will and Testament, in  
 presence of us, who in his presence,  
 ~~~~~ and in the pre-  
 sence of each other have hereunto sub-  
 scribed our names.

S. J. Willard  
 Hiram Palmer  
 J. C. Willard

The State of S. Carolina } In the Ct of Ordinary.  
 Abbeville District } Personally appeared S. J. Willard, one of the  
 subscribing witnesses to the within will, and being sworn on the Holy Evan-  
 gelists of Almighty God, makes oath that he was personally present, and did  
 see Jacob B. Britt sign, seal, publish, pronounce and declare the same to  
 be his last will & Testament. That the said Testator was of sound and  
 disposing mind, memory and understanding to the best of his knowledge &  
 belief - that Horace Palmer and S. C. Willard together with himself, in the  
 presence of each other, and in the presence of the Testator signed their names  
 as witnesses to the due execution of the same.

Sworn before me 11 March 1861.  
 W. Hill C. C. D.

S. J. Willard.

Having examined S. J. Willard one of the witnesses to the within  
 will and being satisfied that it is the true last will and testament  
 of Jacob B. Britt decd - Ordain that it be admitted to Probate in  
 Common form

11 March 1861

W. Hill C. C. D.

The State of S. Carolina }  
 Abbeville Dist } Personally appeared Thomas J. Britt and  
 James W. Britt executors named in the within will, and upon oath  
 says that the same is the last will and testament of Jacob B. Britt  
 decd to the best of their knowledge & belief - 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 & chattels will extend and the law  
 charge thereon - That they will make and return into the office of the ordinary  
 of the said District a true and correct inventory of the estate of the said  
 decd, in order to be recorded within the time prescribed by law

Sworn before me  
 11 March 1861  
 W. Hill C. C. D.

Thomas Johnson Britt  
 James W. Britt.

## (Last Will &amp; Testament of Dr. Saml. Marshall dec'd)

State of South Carolina }  
 Abbeville District }

In the name of God Amen!

I Samuel Marshall of the District and State aforesaid; being of sound mind and understanding, and desiring to dispose of all the property both real and personal, which a kind Providence has blest me with, do make and ordain this as my last will and testament, hereby revoking all wills heretofore made by me.

- Item 1<sup>st</sup> It is my will and desire that my Executors hereafter to be named, shall cause my body to be decently interred in my family burying Ground at old Smyrna Church Yard, and that they erect a suitable monument, over my dust, and surround the same with other graves of my family, with a suitable iron railing, and that the same be paid for, out of my Estate before divided.
- Item 2<sup>nd</sup> It is my will and desire that my said Executors do pay all my just debts out of the first monies that may come into their hands after paying off expenses of last illness.
- Item 3<sup>rd</sup> I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Eliza C. Marshall, the following named personal property to her and her heirs forever, in fee simple, to wit Cozy and wife Nancy and their six children, namely, Cozy Jr. Foster, William, Sammy, Doctor, and Eliza. - Jasper and his wife Eliza and their five children namely, Abner, Manly, Moriah, Jasper Jr. and little Cressy. - Wells and his wife Edy and her two children, Leah and Henry. - George. - Reuben. Polina and her four children, Jesse, Cyrus, Ben and Susanah. - Monroe and his wife Martha and her three children namely, Nancy, Laurence, and Cornelia, - Orsilla and her two children namely Dolly and Ellis, & grand child Louis. Edmund, Patrick and Matilda his wife and all the future increase of the above mentioned negroes. Also eight of my best mules, twenty head of Milk Cows and Calves, twentyfour head of sheep, Fifty head of Stock hogs, two yoke of oxen, two of my best waggons, New waggon and a cart, choice of my Carriages, and pair of Mares named May and blue skin, All my Smith and Carpenters tools, and farming utensils of every kind necessary to carry on her plantation. One years supply of grain and forage of every kind found on my place at my decease. All my household and kitchen furniture. In addition to the above, I give to her the sum of ten thousand dollars, to be paid to her by my said Executors in

Cash, in fee simple.

Item 4<sup>th</sup>. I give, bequeath and devise to my said wife the following real estate, during the term of her natural life, and at her death to be sold by my said Executors at such time and on such credits as they may deem best for the interest of my Estate, and the proceeds of such sale to be divided equally between all my children share and share alike, to wit: my home tract of land whereon I now reside, supposed to contain about fourteen hundred acres of land more or less. Bounded on the East by the public Road running from Ashbury Church to Greenwood, on the North by land of my son John H. Marshall and on the West and South by lands of B. & S. Jordan. Also I give and devise to my said wife, during the term of her natural life, the use and occupation of a certain field lately cleared by me known as the Brick-yard field supposed to contain sixty acres more or less. Said field lies West of the Jackson field, and is on the land I have given to my son George W. Marshall, with power to my said wife to give the same to my son George W. whenever she may deem proper.

Item 5<sup>th</sup>. I give and bequeath to my son J. Foster Marshall to him and his heirs forever, all that tract of land lying and being situated in the District and State aforesaid on the West side of Long Cain creek and bounded by lands of Mrs. Braxton, John Davis, C. Keller Jas Irwin and others, supposed to contain fourteen hundred acres more or less. Also all the negroes, stock of horses, hogs, and cattle, all farming utensils &c. all of which said personally I have valued and charged to him at fair prices, as well as the same to all my children herein-after named, in a Book kept expressly for that purpose. The said Book is marked "An Inventory and Appraisement of all the personal property and advancements made to my children herein named". The said valuation of property therein charged to each of my children, is at the ruling prices of the property given to my five first children. This said Inventory and Appraisement Book, is to be taken as a part and parcel of this my last will and testament, and reference is to be had to it, in ascertaining the amount I have given and advanced to each child.

Item 6<sup>th</sup>. I give and bequeath to my son Samuel S. Marshall to him and his heirs forever, all that tract of land lying and being situated in the District and State aforesaid, on the East side of Long Cain Creek, and known as the Ansel land, bounded by lands of A. Liles, A. H. Mortons, Wm Ansel and others and containing Eight hundred and fifty acres more or less. Also the sum of One thousand dollars to be paid to him by my Executors in cash to make his land equal in cost to the land I have given to my

sons Foster and Joseph. Also all the negroes, stocks of horses, hogs cows farming utensils &c. all of which said personal property I have valued and <sup>charged</sup> to him in said Inventory and Appraisement Book.

Item 7<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath to my son Joseph W. Marshall to him and his heirs forever, all that tract of land, lying and being situated in the District and State aforesaid on the East side of Long Cain creek, and known as the Belford place. Bounded by lands of D. Keller, (Mr. Smith, George Somers, Joshua Davis and others, supposed to contain <sup>1200</sup> hundred acres more or less. Also all the negroes, stocks of horses, Cattle, hogs &c. waggon and all the farming utensils, all of which personally I have valued and charged to him in said Inventory and Appraisement Book.

Item 8<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath to my son-in-law James C. Spruill and his wife Eliza M. Spruill to them and their heirs forever, all the negroes, furniture and other property valued and charged by me to them in said Inventory and Appraisement Book. Also I give to the said James C. and Eliza M. his wife, the sum of Three thousand dollars, as an equivalent for the land given by this will to my sons. This sum to be paid them in cash by my said Executors.

Item 9<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath to my son-in-law James L. Orr, and his <sup>wife</sup> Mary Jane Orr to them and their heirs forever, all the negroes and furniture and all other given by me to them and charged and valued to them by me in said Inventory and Appraisement Book. Also I give to the said James L. and Mary Jane his wife the sum of Three thousand dollars as an equivalent to them, for the land given to my sons by this will.

Item 10<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath to my daughter Betty F. Williams, to her and her heirs forever, the sum of three thousand dollars, as an equivalent to her, for the land given to my sons by this will. The negroes and furniture which I have given to her, and her husband during his life time, have been charged to her, as an advancement, and repaid for the same will be had by my said Executors, to the said "Inventory and Appraisement Book", to ascertain what portion of my estate she has received, and what she will be entitled to after my decease.

Item 11<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath to my son John H. Marshall to him and his heirs forever, all that tract or parcel of



land, lying and being situated in the District and State aforesaid on the South side of Carletail, having such boundaries and shape as is represented by a title deed executed by me for the said land dated the third of July 1860. Also all the negroes, stock of Mules, Cattle, hogs, farming utensils &c, all of which personal property I have valued and changed in an advancement to him in said "Inventory and Appraisement Book" -


Item 12<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath to my son George W. Marshall to him and his heirs forever, all that tract or parcel of land lying and being situated in the District and State aforesaid, on the East side of the public Road running from Kebury Church to Greenwood - having such boundaries, and shape as is represented by a title deed executed by me for the said land dated the third day of July 1860. The use and occupation of the new Brick yard field, and the old Jackson field is excepted, which I give for the use and benefit of my said wife during her natural life, then to my son George W. to him and his heirs forever. Also all the negroes, stock of Mules, Cattle, hogs, Waggon, farming utensils &c, all of which I have valued and valued in said "Inventory Book" .

Item 13<sup>th</sup> It is my will, and desire, that the balance and residue of my estate both real and personal, including my lands located by Col. J. P. Orr, as well as my Bank, Rail Road and Graniteville stocks, be sold by my said Executors, at such times, and on such credits as they may deem best for the true interest of my estate, (my negroes not hereinbefore specifically bequeathed excepted), also all my Bond notes and choses in action be converted into Cash. That all the money arising from this balance and residue of my estate, the balance of the negroes not given to my wife now included, be divided by my said Executors into eight shares or lots equally and impartially; The shares falling to my sons I give and bequeath to them, and their heirs forever. The children of any of my said sons and daughters, to take the share of their parent if any should die before me. The shares falling to my daughters respectively under this residue clause, I give and bequeath to my said Executors J. Foster Marshall, Samuel S. Marshall and Joseph W. W. Marshall, in Trust for the following uses and purposes, that is to say - that the share falling to my daughter Eliza M. Sproule now the wife of Jas. C. Sproule, Mary Jane Orr, now the wife of Jas. S. Orr, and Kitty F. Williams, be held by my said Executors for the sole separate use and benefit of my said daughters respectively not to be subject to the contracts, debts or liabilities of their parent or any future husband, during the term of their natural lives, and at their death, to go to the child or

Children born of my said daughters to them and their heirs forever share and share alike.

Item 14<sup>th</sup>. The money arising under the 13<sup>th</sup> Item of this my will, which I have given to my said Executors in trust for my said daughters, I direct to be invested in good Bonds, and Bank Stock, and that the interest or dividend accruing annually be expended in the support and maintenance of my said daughters, and families respectively, The negroes falling to each of my said daughters to be put into their possession, they and their future increase to be subject to the trust, uses and limitations as is contained in the 13<sup>th</sup> Item of this my will.

Lastly I nominate and appoint my sons J Foster Marshall, Samuel S. Marshall, and Joseph W. Marshall Executors of this my last will and testament hereby revoking all former wills made by me. I give my body to the ground where it came, and humbly trusting through the merits of a crucified Savior for acceptance, I give my soul to the God that gave it. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 18<sup>th</sup> day October A.D. 1860.

Sam<sup>l</sup> Marshall 

Signed sealed and published  
in the presence of us as witnesses,  
and we as witnesses in the  
presence of the Testator.

Geo Gray  
W. A. Lee  
John T. Owen

The State of S<sup>c</sup> Carolina

Abbeville District

In the Court of Ordinary.

Personally appeared John T. Owen one of the subscribing witnesses to the within will, and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, makes oath that he was personally present, and did see Samuel Marshall, sign, seal, and heard him publish, and declare the same to be his last will and testament. That said Testator was of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding to the best of his knowledge & belief. That John Gray & W. A. Lee together with himself, and in the presence of each other, & in the presence of the Testator did sign their names as witnesses to

the due execution of the same.

Sum before me

20 March 1861

W. H. O. &

John J. Owen

In Ordinary 20 March 1861.

Having examined John J. Owen, one of the subscribing witnesses to the within writing, and being satisfied that said writing contains the true last will of Samuel Marshall dec'd —

It is therefore Ordered that it be admitted to Probate in Common Form

William Hale Clerk Seal

The State of N. C.

Abbeville District } Personally appeared J. F. Marshall, & J. W. W. Marshall two of the Executors named in the within will, and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, make oath that the same is the true last will and testament of Samuel Marshall dec'd so far as they know and believe. 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 thereof. That they will make a true and correct Inventory of the Estate of the said dec'd and return the same into the Office of the Ordinary of the District aforesaid, in order to be recorded, within the time prescribed by law

Sum before me

20 March 1861

William H. O. &

J. Foster Marshall

J. W. W. Marshall

## (Last Will &amp; Testament of Bartley Tucker dec'd)

The State of South Carolina }  
 Abbeville District } *viz.*

In the name of God Amen.

I Bartley — Tucker of said State and District being in good health and of sound mind memory and understanding, and desirous to dispose of my worldly estate do make ordain and declare this to be my last will and testament.

- 1<sup>st</sup> Item: For the payment of my debts I will and desire that the slaves Hambroy, William June and Diamond a boy about eight years old be sold if a sale of property be required for such purpose, and should anything remain after the payment of my debts the same to be equally divided between my wife Nancy W. Tucker and her children Bartley S. Tucker, John S. Tucker, Thomas M. Tucker, Agnes J. Moss and Callulah F. Tucker share and share alike; and should the said slaves not be needed for payment of debts then I will and desire that said slaves be equally divided between my said wife and said five children share and share alike.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Item: To my children by my marriage with my first wife I have already given all that I intend them or either of them to have of my property and estate.
- 4<sup>th</sup> Item: I give and bequeath to my wife Nancy W. Tucker the slaves Jacob Jack James May Sarah and Rhoda with power to do as she pleases with them at my death.
- 5<sup>th</sup> Item: I give and devise to my wife Nancy W. Tucker for and during the Term of her natural life all my tract of land which contains Five Hundred and nine acres more or less on which I now live, and I give and devise the said Tract of land at her death to my children Bartley S. Tucker, John S. Tucker, Thomas M. Tucker, Agnes J. Moss and Callulah F. Tucker to be divided between them share and share alike.
- 6<sup>th</sup> Item: I give and bequeath to my wife Nancy W. Tucker for and during her natural life all my household and kitchen furniture and stock of all kinds, farming utensils and the like, and at her death I will that whatever may remain of the same be equally divided between my five children named in the fifth item of my will.
- 7<sup>th</sup> Item: My said wife Nancy W. Tucker to have no dower in my real estate.

8<sup>th</sup> Decr: I appoint Bartley S. Tucker executor of my will.

Witness my hand and seal this twenty second day of February  
in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and fifty three

Bartley Tucker *deced*

signed sealed acknowledged by Bartley Tucker and declared by  
him to be his last will and testament in our presence, he requesting  
us to sign as witnesses and we doing so in his presence and in  
presence of each other.

William H. Parker

R. A. Fair.

Thos. Thomson

The State of S. Ca } Personally appeared William H. Parker, who  
Abbeville District } upon oath says, that he was personally present  
and did see Bartley Tucker sign seal, publish pronounced and  
declare the foregoing writing to contain his last will and Testament -  
That he was of sound and disposing mind memory and understand-  
ing to the best of his knowledge and belief - that Thos. Thomson  
and R. A. Fair, together with himself, in the presence of each  
other and in the presence of the testator did sign their names as  
witnesses to the due execution of the same.

sworn before me

8 July 1861

W. Hill, C. S. J.

Wm. H. Parker

The State of S. Carolina } Having examined Wm. H. Parker, one of the  
Abbeville District } subscribing witnesses to the foregoing will, and  
being satisfied that it is the true last will & Testament of Bartley  
Tucker decd. - Ordered that it be admitted to Probate in Common form

8 July 1861.

William Hill C. S. J.

The State of S. Ca } Personally appeared Bartley S. Tucker, Executor named  
Abbeville Dist } in the foregoing will, and upon oath says, that said pa-  
per is the true last will and testament of Bartley Tucker decd. to the best  
of his knowledge & belief, that he will well and truly administer the same  
by paying first the debts and then the legacies therein contained so far as the  
goods & chattels will extend and the law charge him - that he will make  
a true & perfect Inventory of all such goods & chattels and return the same  
into the office of the Ordinary of the said District within the time prescribed  
by law.

sworn before me 8 July 1861

W. Hill, C. S. J.

B. S. Tucker.

(The last Will & Testament of John W. Moore de<sup>d</sup>)

State of South Carolina }  
 Abbeville District }

I, John W. Moore of Abbeville District and State aforesaid, being anxious to make a disposition of my property whilst sound in mind and memory, though of feeble health, do make, ordain and publish this my last Will and Testament.

First. I direct my just debts to be paid out of such of my personal Estate as may not be specifically bequeathed, as soon after my decease as my Executors or Executors hereinafter named may find it convenient.

Second. It is my will and desire that my beloved wife R. Amanda Moore shall have the following property, viz: The Tract of Land on which I now live, containing two hundred and fifty acres, more or less, with all the household and kitchen furniture — one half of all my Cattle, Hogs, Sheep, and goats — one third of all my plantation tools — Four hundred bushels of Corn, three hundred bushels of Cotton seed, Fifty bushels of wheat, — Four of my mules with the privilege of choosing three, and my brown horse, Billy. — My new buggy and Carriage with the harness belonging to them. Also, I will and bequeath to her, my wife aforesaid, the following Eight negroes viz: Anthony, Frank and (her three children) Ned, Mahala, and Betty — Charlotte, Lewis and Jane, with such increase as they may have. Provided, that if my wife aforesaid shall marry again after my decease, then and in that event, I will that she shall have only a life Estate in Frank and her three children aforesaid, Ned, Mahala, and Betty. And at her death, I direct said four negroes, Frank, Ned, Mahala, and Betty, with such increase as they may have, to be divided equally between my five children viz: William H. Moore, Rosalee A. Moore, John W. Moore, James A. Moore and Lucy J. Moore.

Third. It is my will that the acceptance, by my wife aforesaid, of the property herein bequeathed to her, shall exclude any claim which she may have to dower in my real Estate.

Fourth. I will, and direct the following twelve negroes to be sold. To wit: Henry and (his wife), Isabella, West, Lucy (and her child), Pollyann, Fint, Bob, and (his wife), Sarcus, Berry and (his wife), Dinah, Alfred and (his wife), Clarasy, The

proceeds of such sale I will to be equally <sup>divided</sup> between my five children William A. Moore, Rosalie A. Moore, John W. Moore, James O. C. Moore, and Lucy J. Moore. To be distributed to them respectively as they become of age.

Fifth. The balance of my real estate, consisting of The Razor Tract, containing two hundred and thirty seven acres, more or less; and the River Tracts containing five hundred and ninety two acres, more or less; I will to be taken charge of by my Executor or Executors for the use and benefit of my five children aforesaid, William A. Moore, Rosalie A. Moore, John W. Moore, James O. C. Moore, and Lucy J. Moore.

Also the following thirty one negroes viz: Mary (and her eleven children), Perry, Allen, Martha, Olin, Enoch, Caroline, Silla, Wade, Ludy, Tilda, and an infant child not named, Willis and Vinny (his wife) and six children to wit: George, Susan, Jack, John, Turner and Drucilla, Albert, Tom, Jim, Isaac, Emma, Huldry, Mariab, Sarah, Canvass, and St. Cuffie

The aforesaid balance of land and thirty one negroes, I will that my Executor or Executors shall take care of, supervise and control for the use and benefit of my children aforesaid. It is my desire that said children shall be maintained and educated by the proceeds of said land and negroes. The care and supervision of said land and negroes, and the maintenance and education of my children; I make a special charge to my Executor or Executors, until my son John W. Moore, shall become of age or attain his majority. When the said John W. Moore shall become of age, I then desire that said land and negroes shall go to said children respectively and their heirs, to be divided in equal shares between them.

Sixth. The cotton crop of the present year I desire to be sold, and the proceeds of the sale to be distributed equally between my five children aforesaid, to each one its share when it becomes of age.

Seventh. Should there be any balance of my personal estate after payment of debts, that I have not specifically bequeathed, I desire that it together with my stocks, choses in action and whatever of right pertains to my estate may be distributed equally between my aforesaid five children.

Eighth. I nominate and appoint my wife R. Amanda Moore, and my brother William A. Moore the Executor and Executors of this my last will and Testament. I desire that the aforesaid William A. Moore shall act with my wife (aforesaid)

aforesaid as Executor until my son William H. Moore shall become of age, and then I appoint my son the said William H. Moore to act as Executor in place of William A. Moore aforesaid.

In testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and seal this the ninth day of April A. D. One thousand eight hundred and sixty.

In fourth section sixth line the word divided intended before signed.

John W. Moore

signed sealed and delivered  
in presence of

J. R. Vance

John A. Stuart

J. C. Cochran

State of South Carolina

Abbeville District } Whereas by my last will and Testament dated the ninth day of April A. D. One thousand Eight hundred and sixty, I directed in the Fifth section of said will that "thirtyone negroes, viz: Mary and her eleven children, Perry, Allen, Martha, Olin, Enock, Caroline, Silla, Wade, Ludy, Tilda, and an infant child not named, Willis and Viney (his wife) and six children to wit: George, Susan, Jack, John, Turner, and Drucilla, Albert, Tom, Jim, Isaac, Emma, Haldy, Maniah, Sarah, Julia, Camass, and McRuffie" should be taken charge of by my Executor or Executors for the use and benefit of my five children, William H. Moore, Rosalee A. Moore, John W. Moore, James O. C. Moore, and Lucy J. Moore. And that the management and supervision of said property by my Executor or Executors should be kept up until my son John W. Moore should become of age, when said property was to be divided equally between my five children aforesaid.

Now, I do hereby in this writing which I declare to be a Codicil to my said will, alter and amend said will to the following effect. Instead of dividing said thirtyone negroes when my son John W. Moore shall become of age I will that each of my children aforesaid shall have six of said negroes, to be allotted to them by my Executors or Executors in as equal lots as practicable, to each



one its share when it becomes of age.  
 2. Also in the Eighth section of said last will and Testament dated as aforesaid, I appointed my wife R. Amanda, Moore and my brother William A. Moore, Executor and Executrix of the same, I now will that if my wife R. Amanda Moore should marry before my son William A. Moore becomes of age, she shall be deprived (from the date of such marriage) of all authority to act as Executrix. And that my brother William A. Moore shall act as Executor until my son William A. Moore shall become of age. Then I desire that my son William A. Moore shall be the sole Executor of my last will and Testament.

And I hereby ratify and confirm my aforesaid will in all respects, except so far as changed or altered by this Codicil.

In testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and seal, this the twenty eighth day of April One thousand Eight hundred and sixty one

John W. Moore

Signed sealed and delivered  
 in presence of  
 W. M. Griffin  
 J. R. Vance  
 J. A. Cochran

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

Personally appeared James A. Cochran, who made oath that he was personally present, and did see John W. Moore sign, seal, publish, pronounce and declare the annexed paper to be and contain his last will & Testament - that the said Testator was of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding to the best of deponents knowledge and belief - that J. R. Vance and John A. Stewart, together with himself, in the presence of the Testator, and in the presence of each other did sign their names as witnesses to the due execution of the same.

The Deponent further swears that he was personally present and did see the said John W. Moore, sign, seal, publish, pronounce and declare the writing, or Codicil in connection with the said will as a part and parcel of his said last will and testament and that at the time of signing the said Codicil the said John W. Moore, was of sound and disposing mind, and memory to the best of his knowledge and belief, and that W. M. Griffin and

I. St. Vauro together with himself, in the presence of the  
 Testator and in the presence of each other did sign their  
 names as witnesses to the due execution of the same.

Sworn before me  
 26 June 1861  
 William Hill O.C.S.

J. St. Cochran.

Having examined Jas St Cochran, one of the subscribing  
 witnesses to the annexed will of John W Moore dec'd and  
 being satisfied that it is the true last will of the said  
 Moore - It is therefore Ordering that it be admitted to  
 Probate in "Common form"

William Hill. O.C.S.

The State of So Ca

Abbeville District } Personally appeared William A  
 Moore, and R Amanda Moore, Executors and Exx  
 named in the foregoing will, and being sworn on the  
 Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, make oath that the  
 said writing contains the true last will and testament  
 of the said John W. Moore dec'd. to the best of their knowledge  
 & belief. 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 and correct inventory of the Estate of the said  
 decedent within the time prescribed by law.

Sworn before me  
 15 July 1861  
 W Hill. O.C.S.

R A Moore

A M Moore