

Last Will and Testament of Robert Harris Deceased

I Robert Harris of the
village and County of Atkinson State of South Carolina
being of sound mind and memory do make and publish
this my last will and testament in manner and form
following that is to say

1st It is my will that my just debts and all charges
be paid out of my estate

2nd I give and bequeath to my wife Laura Harris
all the fixtures, household goods, furniture, chattels,
securities for debt and other effects, not otherwise
mentioned.

3rd I give and devise to my said wife, her heirs and
assigns all the residue of my estate, the house in which
we now live, the grounds upon which it stands together
with all the unsold lands on the place, to hold undivided
premises of all them ~~for her~~ and to use them for her
own benefit as she may see fit, except as hereafter
provided.

4th I give and bequeath to my step daughter Susan
A. Shelly a home in said house during her natural
life.

Lastly I appoint constitute and make Isaac P.
Kennedy now of Greenville S.C. sole executor of
this my last will and testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand
this twenty sixth of February 1884

Robert Harris 
mark

Signed, published and declared by the above named
Robert Harris as his last will and testament, in
presence of us who at his request have signed as
witnesses of the same.

J. E. Hall
J. H. D. Tye
Larkin 
mark

State of South Carolina
County of Abbeville Probate Court

Present Honorable J. Fuller Lyon Judge Probate Court

Personally appeared R. E. Wall, subscribing witness to the annexed instrument of writing, purporting to be the last Will and testament of Robert Harris late of Abbeville County deceased, who being duly sworn, deposed and said that he was present, and did see the said instrument of writing duly executed by the said Robert Harris and deposed further with that the said Robert Harris at the time of executing the said instrument of writing was to the best of deponent's knowledge and belief, of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding; and that R. E. Wall the deponent and J. N. Titus and Larkin Radden in the presence of each other and of the said Robert Harris at his request, signed their names as witnesses to the due execution of the same

I sworn and Subscribed to before me this 4th day of November one thousand eight hundred and eighty five

J. Fuller Lyon
Judge Probate Court

R. E. Wall

In the matter of the
Last Will and Testament
of Robert Harris.

Upon due examination of J. E. Wall one of the subscribing witnesses to the annexed instrument of writing purporting to be the last Will and testament of Robert Harris late of Abbeville County deceased it appears to my satisfaction that the same is the true last Will of said deceased; It is therefore ordered and decreed that it be admitted to probate in common form, and that letters of administration cum testamento annexo be granted to Laura Harris

J. Fuller Lyon
Judge Probate Court

The State of South Carolina In the
County of Abbeville Probate Court

I do solemnly swear that this writing contains the true last will of the within named decedent, so far as I know or believe, and that I will well and truly execute the same by paying first the debts and then the legacies contained in said will, as far as his goods and chattels will amount to, and the law charge me out that I will make a true and perfect inventory of all such goods and chattels, rights and credits so help me God

Sworn before me this
4th day of Apr 1885

Wm. L. Brown
Judge Probate Court

Laura^{Mr} Harris
witness

Last Will and Testament
of Michael Burt
Decedent

In the State of South Carolina In the name
of God Amen: I Michael Burt of Abbeville
County and State above mentioned, being in good
health of Body and of sound disposing mind and
memory (Thanks be to God for the same) and being desirous
of settling my worldly affairs while I have strength and
capacity so to do, do make and publish my last will
and Testament that is to say

First I give and bequeath to my two children, namely Sidney
Jefferson Burt and Harriet Rebecca Long wife of
Henry S. Long, all of the County and State aforesaid, all of
the Real and Personal ^{estate} that I may own and possess
at my decease absolutely to them their heirs and assigns for
ever, upon the following conditions, viz. That as soon as
practicable after my death they shall pay all of my just
debts, funeral expenses &c &c, and shall obligate themselves
in writing in presence of witnesses to secure to my
wife Nancy Burt (and Mother of my two children above
named) a comfortable home and support during her

life and after his death to have her body decently buried. And as my said wife is becoming old and frail I would advise that she would as soon as convenient after my death remove to the house of one of the children above named, and my said son & daughter take immediate possession of all my estate and partition the same between ^{them} in such manner as to them shall seem best. In making the said divisions if it should appear to be best to sell the same, and divide the proceeds of sale between them, and to effect the said sale. I hereby authorize my said son Sidney and daughter Harriet to convey the said Land by regular deed of conveyance absolutely to the purchaser or purchasers thereof signed and seal by either one or both of them as the lawful heirs of the same.

Having now disposed of all my Estate both real & personal to the son & daughter by my last will I may be further that I should state that I did not disinherit the two I bear by my former wife from any feeling of unkindness toward them, nor partiality toward the latter - but simply as an act of justice the former having already received property of value at the time of its reception & decided that which I have now bequeathed to the latter.

I do witness whereof I do hereunto set my hand and seal this fourteenth day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty -

Michael Bents *Test*

Signed and sealed by the said Michael Bents as and for his last will and testament in the presence of us who in his presence and in the presence of each other and at his request have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses. The words Estate on the 12th line from the top on first page, and the word them on the 4th line from the top on the 2nd page were inserted before signing -

John Wilson
M. J. Lee
M. J. Ogden

State of South Carolina } In the Probate
County of Abbeville } Court

Present: Honorable J. Fuller Lyon Judge Probate Court

Personally Appeared M. L. Deal subscribing witness to the annexed instrument of writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Michael Burtis late of Abbeville County deceased who being duly sworn deposes and saith that he was present and did see the said instrument of writing duly executed by the said Michael Burtis. And deponent further saith that the said Michael Burtis at the time of executing the said instrument of writing was to the best of deponent's knowledge and belief of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding; and that M. L. Deal (the deponent) and John Wilson and W. P. Elgin in the presence of each other, and of the said Michael Burtis and at his request, signed their names as witnesses to the due execution of the same.

Sworn before me this 30th day of November one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five.

J. Fuller Lyon
Judge Probate Court

M. L. Deal

In the matter of the
Last Will and Testament
of Michael Burtis
Deceased

Upon due examination of M. L. Deal one of the subscribing witnesses to the annexed instrument of writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Michael Burtis late of Abbeville County, deceased, it appears to my satisfaction, that the same is the true last Will of said deceased; it is therefore ordered and decreed that it be admitted to probate in common form, and that Letters Testamentary be granted to S. J. Burtis.

J. Fuller Lyon
Judge Probate Court

The State of South Carolina } In the
County of Abbeville } Probate Court

I do solemnly swear that this writing contains the true last Will of certain named deceased. As far as I know or believe, and that I will well and truly execute the same by paying first the debts and then the legacies contained in said Will, as far as his goods and chattels will thereto extend and the law charge me and that I will make a true and perfect Inventory of all such goods and chattels, rights and credits. So Help me God

Signed and Subscribed to before
me this 9th day of November 1893

Fuller Lyon
Judge Probate Court

J. J. Burts

Last Will and Testament
of J. M. Latimer
Deceased

The State of South Carolina }
County of Abbeville }

I James M. Latimer of said State and County of Abbeville
in full and of disposing memory and under standing make
and declare this to be my last will and testament, hereby
repealing all other wills made by me.

Item 1st I will all my just debts to be paid.

Item 2nd I give and devise to my beloved wife Caroline J. Latimer
my Lot and House thereon in the Village of Laurensville
containing about eight acres more or less and which I
now live. Containing about eight acres more or less
for and during her natural life. And I give and devise
the same after her death to my daughter Mary E. W.
Baker for and during her natural life and at her death
to such children as she may leave living at her death and
and share alike - a child or children of a pre-deceased

Child to represent a parent.
 Item 3rd I give and bequeath to my wife Caroline for life all my household and kitchen furniture; and whatever may remain after such use I give and bequeath to my daughter Mary C. M. Baker. My wife's Estate is not to account for articles consumed or destroyed in the use. The piano at my house is my daughter's and is not included in this item.

Item 4th I am the owner of a parcel of land in said State and County comprised of three parcels known as the Harper, the Katheron and Grace parcels containing two hundred and twenty nine acres more or less. Of and from this tract of Two Hundred and Twenty nine acres more or less I give and devise to my wife Caroline for and during her natural life all that portion of said lands that lies on the right side of the public road going from Lowndersville to Harpers Ferry and including the whole of the Katheron tract which lies on both sides of the said road. And I give and devise after the death of my wife Caroline the land which I have above given to her to my daughter Mary C. M. Baker for and during her natural life, and at my daughter's death to such children as she may leave living at the time of her death - a child or children of a deceased child to represent a parent.

Item 5th I give and bequeath to my wife Caroline for and during her natural life shares or stock in the Georgia Rail Road Company to the amount of three thousand dollars counting the value as expressed on the face of the stock she is to draw and receive the dividends and profits of such stock. And I give and bequeath after the death of my wife Caroline the said three thousand dollars worth of stock to my daughter Mary C. M. Baker for her natural life to receive in like manner the dividends and profits, and at my daughter's death to such children as she may leave living at her death a child or children of a deceased child to represent a parent.

Item 6th I will that the foregoing provisions of my will for my wife Caroline shall be in full and in bar of all her claims of dower in my lands or real estate.

Item 7th I am the owner of two parcels of land in Spalding County State of Georgia - about six or seven miles from Clarksville containing five hundred acres more or less. These two parcels of land I give and devise to my daughter Mary C. M. Baker her heirs and assigns forever.

Item 9th I give and devise to my daughter Mary E. M. Baker for and during her natural life, the remainder of the Harper tract of land lying on the left hand side of the public road going from Seabrookville to Harpers Ferry, and all the land not given for life to my wife Caroline as aforesaid of the Graves, Chittenden and Harper tracts - all the land given to my daughter in this item lies on the left hand side of the road going to Harpers Ferry. I give and devise after my daughters death the parcel of land to such children as she may leave living at the time of her death - a child or children of a deceased child to represent a parent.

Item 10th I am the owner of shares of stock in the Georgia Rail Road Company; and have under a deed of gift and transfer from my wife Caroline to myself of one half in the stock in the said Company after her death. I give and bequeath said stock in the Georgia Rail Road Company including that transferred to me by my wife to my daughter Mary E. M. Baker for and during her natural life - she to draw and receive the dividends and profits of the same - and I give and bequeath the said stock after the death of my daughter Mary to such children as she may leave living at her death - a child or children of a deceased child to represent the parent.

Item 10th I give and devise to Thomas Thomson and his heirs in trust to and for the use of my daughter Mary E. M. Baker and her children my tract of land on Savannah River containing one thousand acres more or less bounded by lands of James Young, Jacob Burton and others of the said Thomas Thomson and his heirs to have and to hold the said tract of land for the use of the said Mary E. M. Baker for and during her natural life allowing her the use of the land in such way as she may deem best for her interest and comfort - and after her death to such children as she may leave living at her death - free and discharged from all trust. The child or children of a deceased child to represent a parent.

Item 11th I give and devise to my sister Mary Black the tract of land on which she now lives containing eighty acres more or less, bounded by lands of C. T. Patience, J. M. Newby and others for and during her natural life; and I give and devise the same after the death of my sister Mary Black

to her three daughters: Walter, now the wife of ^{James} Mary Spinks
 Lizzie Black and Kittle Black share and share alike.
 Item 12th I give devise and bequeath to my daughter Mary E. W.
 Baker my stock of horses mules and cattle - my
 money and my losses in action not disposed as
 above - and all the remainder of my estate real and
 personal to her her heirs executors and administrators.
 Item 13 I nominate and appoint Thos. Thompson the Executor
 of the above last will and Testament.
 Signed Sealed and delivered
 in presence of us who saw
 first James M. Latimer sign his
 name and who saw us and we
 each other this paper as his last
 will and Testament this 12th August A.D. 1876
 James M. Latimer
 J. R. Cunningham
 Jas. H. Bowie

James M. Latimer *Test*

State of South Carolina
 Abbeville County Probate Court

I sent Honorable J. Fuller Lynn Judge Probate Court
 Personally appeared L. W. White subscribing witness to
 the annexed instrument of writing, purporting to be the
 last will and testament of J. Marion Latimer late of
 Abbeville County, deceased. Both being duly sworn, deposed and
 said that he was present and did see the said instrument of
 writing duly executed by the said J. Marion Latimer. And deposed
 further that the said J. Marion Latimer at the time of executing
 the said instrument of writing was to the best of deponent's
 knowledge and belief of sound and disposing mind, memory
 and understanding; and that L. W. White (the deponent)
 and J. R. Cunningham and Jas. H. Bowie in the presence
 of each other, and of the said J. Marion Latimer and at
 his request, signed their names as witnesses, to the due
 execution of the same.

Given and Subscribed to before
 me, this 19th day of November one
 thousand eight hundred and eighty five

J. W. White
 Fuller Lynn
 Judge Probate Court

In the matter of the Last Will and Testament
of J. Marion Latimer Sr.

Upon due examination of L. W. With one of the
subscribing witnesses to the annexed instrument of writing
purporting to be the last will and testament of J. Marion Latimer
Sr. late of Abbeville County, deceased, it appears to my sat-
isfaction that the same is the true last will of said deceased
it is therefore ordered and decreed that it be admitted to probate
in common form and that Letters Administrators cum
testaments annex be granted to the applicant, J. P. Baker.

J. P. Baker
Judge Probate Court

The State of South Carolina } In the
County of Abbeville } Probate Court

I do solemnly swear that this writing contains the true
last Will of the within named deceased, so far as I know
or believe, and that I will make will and truly execute the
same by paying first the debts and then the legacies con-
tained in said Will, as far as his goods and chattels will
thereunto extend and the law charge me and that I will make
a true and perfect Inventory of all such goods and chattels
rights and credits. So Help me God

Sworn and subscribed to
before me, this 19th day of
Novr 1895

J. P. Baker
Judge Probate Court

J. P. Baker

Last Will and Testament of Julia F. Peake Deceased

- I Julia F. Peake of the County of Aikens in the State of South Carolina do declare & make this my last will & testament
- 1st I do give & bequeath unto my beloved husband James W. Peake all of my notes & accounts together with all my other personal property.
 - 2nd I do give & devise unto my beloved husband James W. Peake all of my real estate as follows.

Fourteen acres of land in the County of Aikens State of South Carolina & bounded by lands of the Est of Wm. H. Peake dec'd & others Moragne.

Two hundred & ninety acres of land in the County of Edgefield & State aforesaid & bounded by lands of the Est of C. H. McCormick & dec'd & C. Henderson & others.

Together with all and singular the rights, incidents hereunto attached & appertinences thereto belonging or in wise incident or appertaining. To have and to hold all & singular the premises before mentioned unto the said Jas. W. Peake his heirs & assigns forever.

- 3rd I do hereby appoint my husband Jas. W. Peake executor to this my last will & testament hereby revoking & declaring all former wills by me made null & void.
- In witness whereof I Julia F. Peake have to this my last will & testament, consisting of one sheet of paper subscribed my name & set my seal this day of June 14th A.D. 1886
- Witnessed by the testatrix in the presence of each us and at the same time declared by her to us to be her last will & testament & there upon we at the request of the testatrix signed our names thereto as witnesses this 14th day of June A.D. 1886

Jas. F. Crighton
Wm. L. B. Hurley
L. M. Christensen

J. F. Peake. 

State of South Carolina In Probate Court
 Abbeville County

Present Honorable J. Fuller Lyon Judge Probate Court

Personally appeared Jas. M. Crighton subscribing witness to the annexed instrument of writing purporting to be the last Will and testament of Julia F. Peake late of Abbeville County, deceased, who being duly sworn deponeeth and saith that he was present and did see the said instrument of writing duly executed by the said Julia F. Peake. And deponeeth further saith that the said Julia F. Peake at the time of executing the said instrument of writing was to the best of deponent's knowledge and belief of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding; and that Jas. M. Crighton (the deponent) and Wm. R. P. Stanley and L. N. Chamberlain in the presence of each other, and of the said Julia F. Peake and at her request signed their names as witnesses to the due execution of the same.

Given under my hand and seal of office this 5th day of July one thousand eight hundred and eighty six.

J. Fuller Lyon
 Judge Probate Court

Jas. M. Crighton

In the matter of the Last Will and Testament of Julia F. Peake.

Upon due examination of Jas. M. Crighton one of the subscribing witnesses to the annexed instrument of writing purporting to be the last Will and testament of Julia F. Peake late of Abbeville County, deceased, it appears to my satisfaction that the same is the true last Will of said deceased. It is therefore ordered and decreed that it be admitted to probate in common form and that Letters Testamentary be granted to J. W. Peake as Executor.

J. Fuller Lyon
 Judge Probate Court

The State of South Carolina In the
County of Abbeville Probate Court

I do solemnly swear that this writing contains the true last
will of writing named deceased, as far as I know or believe
and that I will well and truly execute the same by paying
first the debts and then the legacies contained in said will,
as far as his goods and chattles will thereto extend and
the law charge me and that I will make a true and
perfect inventory of all such goods and chattles rights and
credits. S. H. H. M. Ford
 sworn and subscribed to
before me, this 5th
day of July 1886
J. H. Peck
Judge Probate Court

Last Will and
Testament of
William Hill
Deceased

I William Hill of Abbeville County State of South Carolina
being of sound mind at this time in my usual health strength
of mind memory and understanding the frailty of my body do
declare and publish the following writing (in my own hand) as
my last Will and Testament, viz.

I have at various times let my children have money the
respective sums to each are unequal, and as I wish to do just and
right to each of them in the distribution among them, of what little
property I may die in possession of I desire the said advancements
to be equalized to each of them.

1st I charge my daughter Mrs. Annie E. Cox with the sum of
One thousand dollars.

Note. I have notes and other papers showing advancements
as much as \$1298.67 made to her late husband, but
have thought proper to charge her with simply, aid thousand

2nd I charge my son P. E. Hill with the sum of Eight Hundred
and thirty three dollars and eighty four cents

- 3rd I charge my daughter Mary Jane with the sum of Four Hundred and Seventy five dollars, but this sum is subject to a discount for five months boarding of Miss Ebbert.
- 4th I charge my daughter Sarah Ellen with the sum of Two Hundred and ninety dollar and thirty seven cents.
- 5th I charge my son John L. Hill with the sum of Two Hundred and eighteen dollars and eighty seven cents (the above sums charged to my children do not include any interest).
- 6th I will not leave at my death as much personal property as could be supposed to equitize the above sums among my children but when my real estate is turned into money it can be done by therefore as much as will meet the requisition. The source from which I have calculated the advancements charged above may be seen in a slip of paper which I will leave in the hands of my executor.
- 7th I direct that all of my personal property (except notes, shares in action and money) be sold and the proceeds equally divided between my son J. L. Hill and my daughter Mary Jane and Sallie E. that is to say, after the specific bequests are stored over and discharged.
- 8th My old silver watch and chain I give to my grandson William Freeman but not until he is sixteen years of age, and in the meantime to be kept by his mother: but should he die before he is sixteen years old - I give the same to his mother to do with it as she may desire.
- 9th I give to my Grand-daughter Mrs Anna Anderson my Porcelain and Glass.
- 10th I give and bequeath to my Grand daughter Mary J. Hill daughter of my son John L. Hill my cottage Portland Bet and doctory.
- 11th I give to my daughter M. B. Cox my long-posted Portland Bet and clothing, and also my three cornered cupboard.
- 12th I give to my son John L. Hill my large wardrobe and my four bottomed chairs.
- 13th I give to my daughter Sallie Mary my Book Case and drawers and also my Books.
- 14th The small lot of land which I own adjoining my son Robert's premises in Asseville I allow him to take, if he chooses, at the sum of Two Hundred and fifty dollars, but if he is not willing to take it at that price I direct that it be sold by my executor to the highest bidder on a credit of one year, exacting good security for the amount it may bring.
- 15th My plantation on which I now live, and also the small lot on the East side of the Rail-road containing one and a half acres.

I direct my executors to sell on such terms as they think best and either for the interest of my children, and they may divide it into two or more parcels if they think best and when all my personal property not already given off by this will, and all my land in this state be sold and the proceeds collected let a settlement be made taking into said settlement the respective charges I have made against my children, and then equally divide amongst them.

16th The land I own in the state of Arkansas in partnership with William H. Parker Esq. will very likely not be sold at the time of the first settlement, but be that as it may a settlement may be made of that which has been sold.

The said lands in Arkansas may be sold by my Executors when they think proper, and the proceeds equally divided amongst my children, but should any of them be dead leaving a child or children surviving, such child or children shall receive and take the share the parent would have taken if living.

17th It is possible that but not likely, that some of my children will object to the charges of advancements, now if such be the case I emphatically direct that any child so objecting and unwilling to abide by my will as above directed (and charged in the items of advancements) shall not receive any share whatsoever of my estate, as I consider I have made a just and fair disposal amongst them of my little property.

18th I nominate, constitute and appoint my sons Robert E. Hill and my son in law Francis Perry as the Executors of this my will, with full power to execute valid titles to my Real Estate.

Witness my hand and seal this 21st day of May in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and eighty five.

Signed, sealed, published and declared by William Hill as his last will & Testament in our presence and we in the presence of each other and of the Testator have signed our names as witnesses the day and year aforesaid.

William Hill.

W. A. Tompkins
W. L. Wilson
J. C. Surber

State of South Carolina In the Probate Court
County of Abbeville

Present Honorable J. Fuller Sproul Judge Probate Court

Personally appeared J. C. Turner subscribing witness to the annexed instrument of writing, purporting to be the last Will and testament of William Hill late of Abbeville County deceased, who being duly sworn depose and say that he was present, and did, see the said instrument of writing duly executed by the said William Hill. And deposed further that the said William Hill at the time of executing the said instrument of writing was to the best of his own knowledge and belief, of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding; and that he, J. C. Turner (the deponent) and W. A. Tompkinson and W. A. Wilson, in the presence of each other, and of the said William Hill and at his request, signed their names as witnesses, to the annexed and execution of the same. Done and Subscribed to before me, this 27th day of January one thousand eight hundred and eighty six.

J. Fuller Sproul
Judge Probate Court

J. C. Turner.

In the Matter of
the
Last Will and
Testament of
William Hill
Decd.

Upon due examination of J. C. Turner one of the subscribing witnesses to the annexed instrument of writing purporting to be the last Will and testament of William Hill late of Abbeville County deceased; it appears to my satisfaction, that the same is the true last Will of said decedent; it is therefore ordered and decreed that it be admitted to probate in legal force, and that Fuller Sproul be granted to J. C. Hill and Francis Henry
J. Fuller Sproul
Judge Probate Court

The State of South Carolina } In the
County of Abbeville } Probate Court

I do solemnly swear that this writing contains the true last Will of within named deceased, so far as I know or believe, and that I will well and truly execute the same, by paying first the debts and then the legacies contained in said Will, as far as his goods and chattels will thereto extend and the law charge, and that I will make a true and perfect inventory of all such goods and that the rights and credits. To help me God.

Sworn and Subscribed to
before me this 22nd day
of January A.D. 1806
Judge Probate Court

J. C. Hill
Francis Henry.

Last Will and Testament
of
Geo. R. McCalla
deceased

State of South Carolina }
County of Abbeville }

I George R. McCalla of the County of Abbeville in the State aforesaid being of sound mind, memory and understanding and desiring to dispose of my property in a particular manner, do make this my last will and testament as follows.

First I will that all my just debts be paid
Second I will and bequest to my wife Mary Jane McCalla all my household and kitchen furniture, my buggy horse, my buggy and harness, carriage and my milk cow which may be in care at the time of my death Having already given to my said wife, by deed, the tract of land known as my home place for her life and the same being a sufficient provision for her comfortable support, I make no further provisions

for her out of my lands and the personal property herein given, together with the tract of land above mentioned is to be her entire interest and share in my estate, and is intended in lieu of dower.

Third I will and bequeath the residue of my personal property to my two daughters Ida L. Cleveland and Susan H. W. Calla and the children of my deceased daughter Jane H. Spaul to be divided into three equal parts; the children of Jane H. Spaul to receive one part, and each of my two daughters above named to receive one part.

Fourth I give and bequeath to my two daughters Ida L. Cleveland and Susan H. W. Calla, Two Hundred and fifty dollars each, to be paid to my son John H. W. Calla and held by him in trust for them and their children; the said Ida L. Cleveland and Susan H. W. Calla to have the free use of the annual income therefrom.

Fifth I will and devise the whole of my lands to my four sons John W. W. Calla, Isaac H. W. Calla, Lawrence C. W. Calla and George H. W. Calla Jr. to be equally divided among them. If either of my said sons shall die during my life the child or children of such son shall receive the portion of land which their father would have taken; and if any of my sons shall die during my life leaving no child the share of such son or sons shall be equally divided between such of my said sons as shall be living at my death and the children of such as may be dead.

Sixth I will and direct that my lands herein given to my four sons be appraised by three appraisers appointed by the Probate Court, and if said lands cannot be divided into four equal parcels, those of my sons who receive the lands of greatest value shall pay to the others of my sons an amount of money sufficient to make all equal.

Seventh I will and direct that my entire estate be appraised, and my debts be ascertained by my Executor as soon as practicable and paid from my decedent estate, both real and personal, so as to fall equally on all of my legacies in proportion to the property received by them under this will.

Eighth I give my daughter Georgia Mary W. Calla nothing in this will because I have already given her by deed an interest in my tract of land known as my home place which is her full share of my estate.

Ninth I nominate and appoint my son Isaac H. W. Calla -

Executor of this my last will and testament, hereby making all other wills by me made.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this eleventh day of October A.D. one thousand eight hundred and eighty-four.

Signed, Sealed, executed and acknowledged in the presence of us who in the presence of the testator and in the presence of each other had signed our names as witnesses.

J. P. Moore
J. C. Graves
W. P. De Brault

George R. McCalla

State of South Carolina
County of Abbeville

George R. McCalla

Having made my last will and testament bearing date the eleventh day of October A.D. one thousand eight hundred and eighty-four and desiring to make some additions thereto so that my executor shall have full power to carry out the provisions of my said will, do make this addendum to my said last will and testament.

First I will and direct, that after the appraisement of my estate has been made as directed in my said will. My Executor named in said will shall sell enough of my real and personal property at Public Sale to pay all my debts according to the directions of said will, before and division is made among my legates named in my said will, and if there shall remain any surplus money after the payment of my debts, arising from the sale of land the same shall be divided among my four sons in the manner in which my lands are directed to be divided by the Fifth paragraph of my will.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this twenty-ninth day of December A.D. one thousand eight hundred and eighty-four.

George R. McCalla

Signed, Sealed, executed and acknowledged in the

presence of each other in the presence of the testator and in the presence of each other have signed our names hereto as subscribing witnesses.

M. P. De Brulh
W. M. Daggart
Geo. C. Graves

State of South Carolina
Abbeville County Probate Court

Present Honorable J. Fuller Lyon Judge Probate Court

Personally Appeared M. P. De Brulh subscribing witness to the annexed instrument of writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament and Codicil of George R. McCalla late of Abbeville County deceased who being duly sworn depose and saith that he was present and did see the said instrument of writing duly executed by the said George R. McCalla. And depose further saith that the said George R. McCalla at the time of executing the said instrument of writing was to the best of Deposants knowledge and belief of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding; and that M. P. De Brulh W. M. Daggart and George C. Graves in the presence of each other and of the said Geo. R. McCalla and at his request signed their names as witnesses to the due execution of the same as their names appear on said instrument.

Sworn and Subscribed to before me this 5th day of April one thousand eight hundred and eighty six

M. P. De Brulh

J. Fuller Lyon
Judge Probate Court

In the matter of the Last Will and Testament
of Geo. R. McCalla

Upon the examination of M. P. De Brulh one of the subscribing witnesses to the annexed instrument of writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament

of Geo. H. McCalla late of Abbeville County, deceased
 it appears to my satisfaction, that the same is the
 true last Will of said deceased; it is therefore ordered and
 decreed that it be admitted to probate in Congruous form
 and that Letters Testamentary be granted to Isaac H.
 McCalla.
 Fuller Lyon
 Judge Probate Court

The State of South Carolina } In the
 County of Abbeville } Probate Court

I do solemnly swear that this writing contains the true
 last Will of the within named deceased, so far as I know
 or believe, and that I will well and truly execute the same
 by paying first the debts and then the legacies contained
 in said Will, as far as his goods and chattels will
 therunto extend and the law charge me and that I will
 make a true and perfect Inventory of all such goods
 and chattels right and credits to Help me God
 Sworn and Subscribed to } J. H. McCalla
 before me this 5th day of }
 April 1846 }
 Fuller Lyon
 Judge Probate Court

Last Will and Testament
 of }
 D. J. Herndon }
 Deceased }

The State of South Carolina }
 County of Abbeville }

In the name of God Amen }
 J. Benjamin J.
 Herndon, farmer, a citizen of the County and State aforesaid,
 being of sound and disposing mind do now'll execute and
 publish this as my last will and testament hereby revoking

altogether wills I may have previously made. I will and desire that my funeral expenses and debts be paid as soon after my death as possible I will and bequeath unto my beloved wife, Julia, and my seven children viz: Alice, Corrie, widow of Saml J. Carril, Lizzie Calder, wife of Willough Calder, Agnes Fair, wife of John R. Fair, Sallie R. Herndon, Benjamin J. Herndon, Stephen F. Herndon, and China Lee Herndon, all my property both real and personal that I may possess at my death, share and share alike.

I will and desire that my executrix have my lands cultivated to the greatest advantage possible, and that all the surplus crops after providing for the proper maintenance of my immediate family be applied to the payment of my debts.

I will and direct that all my real estate be kept together until my youngest child becomes of age.

I do hereby appoint and constitute my beloved wife Julia Herndon my sole executrix of this my last will and testament. Dated this 19th July A. D. 1879.

Signed, read and acknowledged by him the said Benjamin J. Herndon in the presence of us as his last will and testament and we at his request and in his presence and in the presence of each other do hereby witness the due execution hereof, entered in the presence of the testator and it witnessed

B. J. Herndon

J. F. Spruill
L. D. Connor

State of South Carolina
County of Atleeville
Present Honorable J. Fuller Lyne Judge Probate Court

Personally appeared L. D. Connor, subscribing witness to the above instrument of writing, purporting to be the last will and testament of B. J. Herndon late of Atleeville County deceased, who being duly sworn deponeeth and saith that he was present and did see the said instrument of writing duly executed by the said B. J. Herndon. And deponeeth further

said that the said P. J. Herndon at the time of executing the said instrument of writing was to the best of defendants knowledge and belief of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding; and that L. L. Conner, (the defendant) and David Piken, and J. F. Denton in the presence of each other, and of the said P. J. Herndon and at his request signed their names as witnesses, to the due execution of the same.

Sworn and Subscribed to before me this 3rd day of May one thousand eight hundred and eighty-six.

J. F. Fuller, Clerk

L. L. Conner

In the Matter of the
Last Will and Testament
of P. J. Herndon

Upon due examination of L. L. Conner one of the subscribing witnesses to the annexed instrument of writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of P. J. Herndon late of Cherokee County deceased it appears to my satisfaction, that the same is the true last will of said deceased; it is therefore ordered and decreed that it be admitted to probate in Common Form and that Letters Testamentary be granted to Julia A. Herndon Executrix.

J. Fuller, Clerk
Judge Probate Court

The State of South Carolina
County of Cherokee In the Probate Court

I do solemnly swear that this writing contains the true last Will of the within named deceased, so far as I know or believe, and that I will well and truly execute the same by paying first the debts and then the legacies contained in said Will as far as his goods and chattels will thereto extend and the law charge me and that I

will make a true and perfect Inventory of all such goods
and Chattels rights and credits In Sight To God
Sworn and subscribed to before
me this 2nd day of May 1886

L. S. Connor
Dep. C. C. J.

John A. Henderson

Last Will and Testament
of Elizabeth M. Lucas
Deceased

State of South Carolina
Abbeville County

In the year of our Lord
eighteen hundred and eighty six March 4th 1886.

I, Elizabeth M. Lucas of the State and County afore-
said make and ordain this my last Will and Testament.

Item 1st. That all my honest debts be paid.

Item 2nd. That I will one hundred dollars for funeral
expenses including a Coffin costing not more than
fifty or sixty dollars.

Item 3rd. That one hundred and fifty dollars be paid to the
Grand Children of my eldest brother James M. Lucas
deceased. These are the children of Abraham Sanders and Carrie
Shull. To the first family Sanders One hundred dollars be
paid and to the Shulls forty dollars be paid twenty dollars
to Jennie and twenty to Carrie. The Sanders reside
in Mississippi. The Shulls in Newberry S. C.

Item 4th. That one hundred dollars be paid to the Children
and grand Children of my eldest sister Ellen Willson
deceased of Lincoln Co. Tenn. Thirty and fraction to Jane
Coughran or heirs.

Thirty and fraction to William Willson or his heirs and
thirty and fraction to the children of Samuel Willson deceased
late of Lincoln County Tenn.

Item 5th. That one hundred and fifty dollars be paid to
the Children of my brother Alexander M. Lucas. The
grand Children they are all the children of Samuel.

My father and grand father both deceased, both of Abbeville County also that these W^c. Dumas children get two trunks containing my coats and some books.
 Item 6th. That twenty dollars be paid to Lillie Wiley the only legal child of my sister Margaret Wiley the daughter of J. Wiley deceased late of Fayetteville Tenn.
 Item 7th. That I bequeath my writing desk to Rev. J. C. Lindsay.

To Mrs W. S. Lindsay the Wardrobe in my room also the Bureau Carpet window curtains & rug.
 To Minnie Small twenty dollars.
 To John Lindsay five dollars.
 To Willie Lindsay five dollars and my small trunk.
 To Mary Stewart Lindsay half of my double shawl and Mrs. Jane W. Prather the other half of the double shawl.
 I give to Henry D. Lindsay my large Historical Chart and Bible Dictionary.
 Item 8th. I give and bequeath to Mrs. Kate Kennedy my swinging chair writing table Large Lamp and a Pine Chest.

Item 9. To the aforesaid W^c. Dumas children I do give leave my bedstead one blanket sheet pillow cases, Wash Stand and a pitcher tin tub water carrier tongs & shovel.
 Item 10th. To Mrs Lindsay my water proof suit.

To Minnie Small my silk dress.
 To Mrs Ada King my new muslin dress.
 To Corie Hull my velvet Choe.

Item 11th. It is my wish that my Bank Note and the ^{note} used in filling out this will if the estate is not sufficient to carry out the above distribution then whatever the estate will allow.

Item 12th. If the distribution can be made all expenses paid & if any thing over it may be used to purchase a pain head stool for my grave.

Last of Item. I nominate as my Executor Prof J. C. Kennedy and respectfully ask him to execute this my last will and testament.

Witness

J. A. Green

R. J. Green

Mr. L. Dumas

C. M. Dumas ELS

State of South Carolina
Abbeville County Probate Court

Present Honorable J. Fuller Lyons, Judge Probate Court

Personally Appeared Samuel Agnew subscribing witness to the annexed instrument of writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Elizabeth W. Duane late of Abbeville County deceased, who being duly sworn depose and saith that he was present and did see the said instrument of writing duly executed by the said Elizabeth W. Duane. And deponent further saith that the said Elizabeth W. Duane at the time of executing the said instrument of writing was to the best of deponent's knowledge and belief of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding; and that he, Samuel Agnew (the deponent) and C. J. Agnew and M. L. Duane in the presence of each other and of the said Elizabeth W. Duane and at her request signed their names in witness to the due execution of the same.

Sworn and Subscribed before me, this 9th day of July one thousand eight hundred and eighty-six.

J. P. C.
J. Fuller Lyons

S. Agnew

In the matter of the
Last Will and Testament
of Elizabeth W. Duane

Upon due examination of Samuel Agnew one of the subscribing witnesses to the annexed instrument of writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Elizabeth W. Duane late of Abbeville County deceased, it appears to my satisfaction that the same is the true last Will of said deceased, it is therefore ordered and decreed that it be admitted to probate in common form and that Letters Testamentary be granted to J. P. Kennedy Executor.

J. Fuller Lyons
Judge Probate Court

The State of South Carolina In the
County of Abbeville Probate Court

I do solemnly swear that this writing contains the true last will of within named deceased as far as I know or believe and that I will make a true and perfect will and truly execute the same by paying first the debts and then the legacies contained in said will as far as his goods and chattels will thereunto extend and the law charge me and that I will make a true and perfect inventory of all such goods and chattels rights and credits. So Help Me God
Sworn and Subscribed before me
this 9th day of July A.D. 1886.

J. J. Galloway
J. P. C.

J. P. Kennedy.

Last Will and Testament
of Thomas Chatham
Deceased.

The State of South Carolina
County of Abbeville

I Thomas Chatham of the County of Abbeville State aforesaid being of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding do make this my last will and testament hereby revoking all former wills and testaments by me heretofore made.
1 I direct that all my just debts be paid.
2 I have already given off to my children in money and property or expended for them as appears in my book of advancements as follows to wit

To Catharina A.	\$5815.00
" Susan Josephine	6050.00
" Susan Eliza	3508.59
" Thomas Sumter	3511.57
" Francis Marion	3475.00

Catharina A. and Susan Josephine my daughters have already received their full share from my estate & I direct that they receive nothing further

3 To Thomas Sumter I give and devise this tract of land upon which I now live upon which he lives the house and one

Hundred and Sixty four acres of land adjacent just included in the Mortgage held by Henry M. Spikes also any and all stock I now own. Oates gives him the furniture in the house and in fact every article of any and all kinds on this place that may belong to me.

4 I hereby direct the Mortgage held by Henry M. Spikes upon a portion of my land Three Hundred and Nineteen acres more or less to be paid and then the land be sold and the proceeds equally divided among my three children.

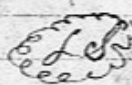
5 Susan Eliza, Mary J. Adams decd. Frances Marion I intend by these assignments that my son Thomas Sumter shall have a greater share of my estate than the others, because he has remained with me since my declining years and relieved me largely of all the cares of my business.

6 I appoint my son Thomas Sumter Executor of this my last Will and Testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this Twenty-second day of April 1851

Signed Sealed and acknowledged in the presence of

John G. Adams
J. J. Harrison
J. J. Blake

Thos. Chattham 

State of South Carolina

I Thomas Chattham being of sound mind & disposing memory do hereby make the following changes to affect the body of my last Will & Testament above written.

1 I have in addition to amounts mentioned as given off heretofore given to my daughter Mary J. Adams the sum of \$3210.00 Now I have this day inserted her name in place of of Thomas Sumter Chattham in section Four (4) of my will above written that she or rather her son John S. Adams be his (only) may have the portion indicated formerly in that section or to be given to my son Thomas Sumter.

2 I hereby give and devise Thomas Sumter Chattham all my Florida lands known as the Isaac J. Houston, said to contain Three Hundred and Seventy acres more or less.

Signed Sealed and acknowledged this 25th 1851 in the presence of

J. J. Boyeman
W. W. Wakefield
W. J. Kimard

Thos. Chattham 

South Carolina
Atholville County

I Thomas Chatham being of sound & disposing mind & memory deem to add words to the former Section 4 of my will April 23rd 1851. with Exhibit of Oct 15th 1851.

There is a Mortgage on said Three Hundred and Ninety acres of Land & there is a judgment of Grand Jurors against me both of these papers now owned by H. W. Spiker. I deem the order that my Executor sell said 319 acres Three Hundred & Ninety & pay said Mortgage & judgment. If there be any balance I order him to divide said balance equally between my children Susan Eliza Mary J. Hans died and Frances Marion.

Signed in the presence of the Deputies

& each other Apr 15th 1854

1. John L. Spiker

2. James Rogers Jr

3. W. L. Foster

Thos Chatham

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State of South Carolina
Atholville County

Probate Court

Present Honorable J. Fuller Lyon Judge Probate Court

Personally Appeared H. J. Steward subscribing witness to the annexed instrument of writing purporting to be a codicil to the last Will and Testament of Thos Chatham dated Oct 15th 1851. late of Atholville County deceased, who being duly sworn deponent and said that he was present and did see the said instrument of writing duly executed by the said Thomas Chatham. And deponent further said that the said Thomas Chatham at the time of executing the said instrument of writing was to the best of deponent's knowledge and belief, of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding; and that he H. J. Steward (the deponent) and J. J. Boyanum and W. A. Watfield in the presence of each other, and of the said Thomas Chatham and at his request, signed their names as witnesses to the due execution of the same.

Steward Subscribed to before me
this 25th day of June one thousand
eight hundred and eighty six

J. Fuller Lyon
Judge Probate Court

H. J. Steward

In the matter of the
Last Will and Testament
of Thomas Chatham

Upon due examination of A. J. Kinard one of the subscribing witnesses to the annexed instrument of writing purporting to be a codicil to the last Will and testament of Thomas Chatham late of Abbeville County deceased it appears to my satisfaction that the same is ~~the~~ a codicil to the true last Will and of said deceased. It is therefore ordered and decreed that it be admitted to probate in ~~any~~ form, and that Letters Testamentary be granted to Thos. J. Chatham

J. Fuller Lyon
Judge Probate Court

State of South Carolina
County of Abbeville Probate Court

I present Honorable J. Fuller Lyon Judge Probate Court

Personally appeared James Rogers Jr. subscribing witness to the annexed ^{dated Nov 1886} instrument of writing, purporting to be a codicil to the last Will and testament of Thomas Chatham late of Abbeville County deceased, who being duly sworn deposeeth and saith that he was present, and did see the said instrument of writing duly executed by the said Thomas Chatham. And deponeeth further saith that the said Thomas Chatham at the time of executing the said instrument of writing was to the best of deponeeths knowledge and belief of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding; and that he James Rogers Jr. (the deponeeth) and Thos. L. Moore and W. L. Drake, in the presence of each other, and of the said Thomas Chatham and at his request, signed their names as witnesses to the due execution of the same

Sworn and Subscribed to before me this 25th day of June one thousand eight hundred and eighty six

J. Fuller Lyon
Judge Probate Court

James Rogers Jr.

In the matter of the
Last Will and Testament
of Thomas Chatham

Upon due examination of James Rogers Jr one of the subscribing witnesses to the annexed instrument of writing purporting to be a codicil to the last Will and testament of Thomas Chatham late of Abbeville County deceased it appears to my satisfaction that the same ^{is} the true last Will of said deceased; it is therefore ordered and decreed that it be admitted to probate in common form and that Letters Testamentary be granted to Thos S Chatham

J. Fuller Lyon
Judge Probate Court

State of South Carolina Probate
County of Abbeville Court

Insd Honorable J Fuller Lyon Judge Probate Court

Personally appeared W. A. Harrison subscribing witness to the annexed instrument of writing purporting to be the last Will and testament of Thomas Chatham late of Abbeville County deceased, who being duly sworn depose and say that he was present and did see the said instrument of writing duly executed by the said Thomas Chatham, and depose and further say that the said Thomas Chatham at the time of executing said instrument of writing was to the best of deponent's knowledge and belief of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding; and that he W. A. Harrison the deponent and John H. Adams and J. S. Blake in the presence of each other and of the said Thomas Chatham and at his request signed their names as witnesses to the due execution of the same

Sworn and Subscribed to before
me this 23rd day of June
one thousand eight hundred and
eighty six

J. Fuller Lyon
J.P.C.

W. A. Harrison

In the matter of the
Last Will and Testament
of Thomas Chatham

Upon due examination of W. A. Harrelson one of the
subscribing witnesses to the annexed instrument of writing
purporting to be the last will and testament of Thomas Chatham late of
Abbeville County, deceased it appears to my satisfaction
that the same is the true last will of said deceased. It is
therefore ordered and decreed that it be admitted to probate
in common form and that Letters Testamentary be
granted to W. A. Harrelson.

J. Fuller Lygon
Judge Probate Court

In the
County of Abbeville South Carolina
Probate Court

I do solemnly swear that this writing contains the true last
will and codicils of the within named deceased so far
as I know or believe and that I will well and truly execute the
same by paying first the debts and then the legacies contained
in said will and codicils so far as his goods and chattels will
thereunto extend and the law charge me and that I will
make a true and perfect Inventory of all such goods and
chattels rights and credits and so Help Me God.
Given and Subscribed & before me
this 25th day of June 1896

J. Fuller Lygon
Judge Probate Court

T. S. Chatham

Last Will and Testament
of J. S. McFarlin
Decd.

South Carolina
Atholville County

In the name of God Amen,
J. S. McFarlin, of said State and County being weak and feeble in body yet of a sound and disposing mind do make and constitute this my last Will and Testament.
And First I will that all my just debts be promptly paid out of my personal property if not enough then out of my real property.
2^d And Secondly, It is my will and desire after my debts shall have been paid that all of my property remaining whether personal or real shall go to my Nephew Robert Scott McFarlin of La Grange Town Ga. Amity Georgia.

In witness hereof I subscribe my hand and fix my seal this 15 day of August, 1877. And Thomas Eight Hundred and Seventy-seven
In presence of
Wm. M. Caslin } signed J. S. McFarlin L.S.
John C. Bradley
A. J. Wideman

State of Georgia
County of Troup

The foregoing will having been sworn. It is therefore ordered that it be and the same is hereby established as the last will of J. S. McFarlin and that the same be duly recorded as having been duly probated in solemn form.

Wm. C. Yancy
Clerk

The State of South Carolina In the
County of Abbeville Probate Court

In the matter of the
Will of
H. S. McFarlin
Deceased

H. S. McFarlin having filed his Petition in this Court praying that the will of H. S. McFarlin deceased a copy of the instrument of writing purporting to be the last will and testament bearing date also filed in this Court might be placed upon the Record of Wills.

It is ordered That the said paper purporting to be the will of H. S. McFarlin deceased, and the transcript of the proceedings of the Court of Ordinary for Spink County Georgia be and the same be hereby ordered to record in this Court.

Done

J. J. Ligon
Judge Probate Court

Last Will and Testament
of Cyrus H. Mc Cormick
Deceased

I Cyrus H. Mc Cormick of the City of Chicago in the County of Cook and State of Illinois being now of sound and disposing mind and memory and conscious of the uncertainty of human life do make publish and declare this my last will and Testament in the manner following that is to say.

First: It is my will and direction that all my just debts and funeral expenses be paid by my executors hereinafter named.

Second: The lot of ground and premises with the appurtenances thereto belonging now occupied by me as a residence being the west half (1/2) of Block number thirty four (34) in Stenzies addition to Chicago and

the strip of ground adjoining the said of the east recently purchased by me of Houl Isaac M. Hould, in the City of Chicago, County of Cook and State of Illinois and all improvements thereon, also all the furnishings of my said residence including books, paintings, pictures and all other articles whether of ornament or of use, also my horse, carriage and harness and other stable paraphernalia. I give devise and bequeath unto my beloved wife Maria Fowler M^{rs} Cornish to be held owned and enjoyed by her, her heirs and assigns absolutely also the free use of all my real and personal property at Rushfield Springs in the State of New York so long as the same shall remain un sold.

Third: All the rest and residue of my estate and property of whatever kind or nature and wherever situated, I do give devise and bequeath unto my Executrix and Executor hereinafter named. In Trust however for the uses and purposes following that is to say in Trust to hold and manage and control the same and every part thereof collecting the rents, income dividends and profits arising therefrom and paying out of said rents, income dividends and profits all proper taxes assessments, charges and expenses incident thereto and to the management thereof including such insurance as may be deemed reasonable for the period of five years from and after my decease, the net income of the said rest and residue of my said estate and property during said period of five years to be kept invested, so far as the same can be safely done but without personal risk or responsibility therefor on the part of my said Trustees, in interest bearing securities or productive real Estate in the City of Chicago. Provided that out of the said net income my said Trustees shall from time to time and in their discretion as to times and amounts until the expiration of said five years pay to the beneficiaries of said Trust hereinafter designated, such sum and sums of money as their several conditions shall in the judgment of said Trustees make necessary and proper, such sums of money so paid to for or on account of said beneficiaries respectively shall not be charged against the beneficiaries receiving the same nor against their respective interests in the said Trust estate upon the division thereof.

And in as much as it is my wish that my family be kept together as much as may be found practicable and convenient.

I do further provide and direct that all the expenses of the house and premises by the second article hereof devised to my said wife including maintenance and family supplies and necessary assistance in the management thereof be paid by said trustee during said five years out of the income of said trust estate in the same manner I would have done if living all such payments to be considered and treated as expenses of said trust estate and in no case to be charged against my or either of the beneficiaries thereof.

At the expiration of said period of five years it is my will and direction that said trust estate be divided by and under the direction of said trustee as follows:

One fifth part of all said trust estate then remaining and of the accumulations thereof shall be set apart and conveyed absolutely to my said wife Maria Fowler McGermick as and for her sole and separate property.

And it is my will and direction that the remaining four fifths ($\frac{4}{5}$) of said trust estate be at the same time equally divided between my children then surviving and the lawful issue of any deceased child taking in equal parts the share or portion to which the parent would have been entitled if living.

Fourth: if at the time of the division of said trust estate as provided in the last preceding article any of my children then living shall be under the age of twenty five years then as to the share or portion of said trust estate allotted and set apart to such child or children further direct as follows, that such share or shares remain in the control and management of said trustee until such child or such children respectively attain to said age of twenty five (25) years.

Fifth: If at the time of such division of said trust estate or at any subsequent time when under the provisions hereof aforesaid the said beneficiaries respectively would otherwise be entitled to a conveyance of their several interests said trustees shall for any cause deemed it inadvisable to convey to any one or more of said beneficiaries his or their share of said trust estate in full then and in that case it is my will and direction that only one half ($\frac{1}{2}$) of such share or shares be so conveyed and that the remaining one half ($\frac{1}{2}$) be retained in the

possession control and management of said trust for at least ten (10) years thereafter: the net income thereof to be paid to such beneficiaries annually or semi-annually in the discretion of said trustees.

Sixth: In case either of my sons or daughters should marry before the division of said trust estate said trustees are hereby authorized and directed to advance to him or her a sum not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars out of his or her share and portion of said trust property, all moneys so paid with interest thereon at the rate of four (4) per centum per annum to be charged against the share or portion of the son or daughter receiving the same or the benefit thereof upon the division of said trust estate.

Seventh: Until the division of said trust estate said trustees are authorized and empowered to make such reasonable donations therefore to charitable or benevolent purposes as in their judgment would have made if leaving all such donations to be charged against the whole of said trust estate and to that extent in reduction thereof at the division of the same all such donations I leave entirely to the judgment and discretion of said trustees as they are fully advised of my purposes and inclinations in that respect.

Eighth: In the division of said trust estate it is my wish and direction that the several shares or portions be set off proportionately in real and personal property but in case this cannot in the judgment of said trustees be fairly and exactly done then they are authorized to equalize the division out of the personal property securities or monies in their possession belonging to said trust estate.

Ninth: My Executors and Executor either as such or as trustees under the foregoing provisions thereof, are hereby authorized and empowered to sell and make valid conveyances of any part of my estate real or personal upon such terms as to them shall seem proper and to receive and re-invest the proceeds of any such sale or sales as in their judgment may be most for the advantage of said estate and the persons interested therein.

They are also fully authorized and empowered to settle adjust and compromise any and all claims in favor of or against my estate and to receive or make payment thereof according to such settlement adjustment and compromise, and all the acts of said executors and trustees in that behalf shall be final and conclusive.

Tenth: In case of the destruction or injury by fire or

otherwise of any improvements or buildings constituting a part of the trust estate as far as whilst the same remain in the control and management of said trustees may if considered by them desirable rebuild or repair the same using for such purposes such moneys as may be collected on account of insurance against the said loss or damage and if these shall prove insufficient then for the balance resort may be had to the funds belonging to said trust estate in the control of said trustees: it being herein expressly understood that if such loss or damage shall occur after the division of said trust estate and the allotment of the several shares thereof, the money to rebuild or repair the said improvements over and above the insurance money collected shall be taken from the trust funds held for the benefit of the person or persons to whose share the said improvement had been assigned.

Eleventh. I nominate as my executor and executor who are herein made trustees and as such are vested with authority to make partition of the trust estate which will become vested in them by virtue thereof will be interested as beneficiaries in said trust estate, and for that reason may be embarrassed in in the making and executing of the usual forms of deeds for vesting in themselves the title to such of the real estate belonging to said trust as may be allotted to them respectively. I do hereby further provide and expressly declare that upon the division of said trust estate a declaration in writing, duly signed, sealed and acknowledged by said trustees designating by proper description the several tracts and parcels of land set apart by them to each beneficiary under said trust shall operate to vest in said beneficiaries the absolute title to the real estate so set apart and allotted to the respectively.

To the other beneficiaries of said trust estate said trustees shall make conveyance of their shares of the real estate as they may respectively become entitled thereto.

Twelfth. The bequest herein made to my said wife and intended and hereby declared to be in law of her dower and all other interest in my estate and property.

Thirteenth. I do hereby nominate and appoint my said wife Anna Prater M^c Cormick guardian of the persons and estates of such of my children surviving me as shall be minors at the time of my decease hereby expressly waiving the giving of any security by her for the faithful discharge of her duties as such guardian.

Fourteenth. I do hereby make constitute and appoint my said wife Anna Prater M^c Cormick and my son James H. McCormick

Executor and Executor of this my last will and testament and request and direct that they and each of them be permitted to qualify and act as such without the giving of any security such security being hereby expressly waived.

In case of the death of either of them the survivor shall have power and authority to associate with himself or herself by appointment under seal some suitable person and the person so appointed shall be allowed to qualify as Co-Executor without the giving of any security, until such appointment and qualification. Said survivor and the person so associated shall have and exercise all the rights and powers hereby conferred upon the executor and executor herein specially named jointly.

In as much as it will be inevitable under the circumstances that the management of my estate shall devolve largely upon my son Cyrus H. McCormick Jr and such management will be for the common benefit of all parties interested I direct that there be allowed and paid to him annually until the division of the trust estate herein created the sum of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2000.) in full compensation for his services and that he be also allowed such reasonable sum for the hire of a clerk or clerks as to my executors and trustees shall seem proper. In case of the death of either of the persons herein specially named as executor and executor and the appointment of a Co-Executor to act with the survivor I direct that such appointee be allowed for his services as Co-Executor and trustee such compensation as may be fixed by the person appointing him under the foregoing provisions hereof.

Fourthly: I do hereby expressly revoke and annul any and all former wills by me made and declare this to be my only last will and Testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this fifteenth (15th) day of July A.D. 1881.

Cyrus H. McCormick Jr

The within and foregoing instrument was signed by Cyrus H. McCormick the testator therein named.

and by him declared to be his last will and
Testament in the presence of us who at his request and
in his presence and in the presence of each other have
humbly subscribed our names as witnesses.

John N. Smith Chicago
James S. Foster Chicago

Proven and admitted to record in open Court May
19th 1884

J. C. Knickerbocker
Probate Judge

The State of South Carolina In the
County of Abbeville Probate Court

In the matter of the
estate of
Cyrus H. McCormick
Deceased

Netty F. McCormick and Cyrus H.
McCormick Jr. by Perrin & Coltray their
attorneys having filed their petition in this Court
and also submitting transcript of the Will Proof
and Letters Testamentary from the Probate Court
for Cook County State of Illinois and praying that
they same be admitted to Probate in this Court and that
Letters Testamentary be issued to them as Executors and
Executor.

Now on motion of Perrin & Coltray attys
for petition. It is ordered that the transcript and proof of
the will of Cyrus H. McCormick deceased be and the
same is hereby admitted to probate in this Court and
that Letters Testamentary be issued to Nettie F. McCormick
and Cyrus H. McCormick Jr. they having con-
formed to the requirements of the law of the state
of Illinois.

Given under my hand and seal of the Court
this day of October 1886.

Paul

J. Fuller Lyon
Judge Probate Court

Last Will and Testament
of H. H. Clapp
Deceased

The State of South Carolina
Abbeville District

In the name of God Amen I Henry Clapp
of the District and State aforesaid being about to
leave the Army of the Confederate States, do make
and ordain this my last will and Testament
Item 1st I will, bequeath and devise, my whole estate
real and personal, to my beloved wife, during her
widowhood or natural life, to be managed and used by
her, for the benefit of herself and my children.
Item 2nd In the event of the Marriage, or death of my
wife, it is my will and desire, that my estate real and
personal be sold and the proceeds of said sale equally
divided amongst my children, the Child or Children of
a deceased Child or Children to represent the parent or
parents, and to take the share to which the parent or
parents would have been entitled, if living.
Item 3rd In case of the Marriage of any of my children
my wife is authorized, to render them any assistance within
her power that she may deem fit and proper, taking
care in said assistance not to go beyond the share or
part of said Child or Children so marrying and
any assistance so rendered to be taken and regarded
as advancements to said Child or Children in the general
distribution of my estate.
Item 4th Full discretion is hereby conferred upon
my wife in the management of my estate. She may
sell or exchange any item of property that she
does not need, or that may not suit her or purchase
any that may be to the advantage of herself and
Children to possess.
Item 5th I appoint my Wife Executor of this my
last will and Testament.

Witness my Hand and
Seal this 29th day of October
(over)

1864.
 Executed in presence of
 J. C. Hawthorne
 J. H. Fager
 R. L. Pratt } Henry Clump.

State of South Carolina
 Abbeville County Probate Court

I, the Honorable J. Fuller Lyon, Judge Probate Court
 Personally Appeared R. L. Pratt, subscribing witness
 to the annexed instrument of writing purporting to
 be the last Will and Testament of Henry H. Clump late
 of Abbeville County, deceased, who being duly sworn depose
 and saith that he was present and did see the said instrument
 of writing duly executed by the said Henry H. Clump. And
 depone further saith that the said Henry H. Clump at
 the time of executing the said instrument of writing was
 to the best of deponent's knowledge and belief, of sound
 and disposing mind memory and understanding; and
 that he R. L. Pratt (the deponent) and J. C. Hawthorne and
 J. H. Fager in the presence of each other and of the said
 Henry H. Clump and at his request, signed their names
 as witnesses to the due execution of the same.
 Sworn and Subscribed to before
 me this 23rd day of August one
 thousand eight hundred and eighty
 six.
 J. Fuller Lyon
 Judge Probate Court

In the matter of the
 Last Will and Testament
 of H. H. Clump
 Decd.

Upon due examination of R. L. Pratt one of the
 subscribing witnesses to the annexed instrument of

writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of
 Henry H. Clump late of Abbeville County deceased. it
 appears to my satisfaction, that the same is the true
 last Will of said deceased. it is therefore ordered and
 decreed that it be admitted to probate in common form
 and that Letters Testamentary be granted to Elizabeth
 Clump as Executrix.

J. Fuller Lyon
 Judge Probate Court

The State of South Carolina
 County of Abbeville Probate Court

I do solemnly swear that this writing contains the
 true last Will of the within named deceased
 so far as I know or believe, and that I will well
 and truly execute the same by paying first the
 debts and then the legacies contained in said Will
 as far as his goods and chattels will thereunto extend
 and the law charge me and that I will make a
 true and perfect Inventory of all such goods and chattels
 rights and credits. So, Help Me God.

Sworn and Subscribed to
 before me, this 23rd day of
 Aug. 1850

J. Fuller Lyon
 Judge Probate Court

E. D. Clump

Last Will and Testament of J. C. Sharp deceased

In the name of God Amen
 I, J. C. Sharp, being of sound and disposing
 mind and admonished of the brevity of human life, do
 hereby make and publish this my last Will and Testament
 After committing my soul and body and my beloved family
 to the care of a Covenant-keeping God. I will first that my
 black horse also my buggy and one horse wagon, and one
 pair of single harness shall be sold. I also will that the
 trunks on the premises not necessary to the will or farm
 be sold and that the proceeds of articles named above be
 appropriated to meeting indebtedness of my estate.
 I further will that one lot extending about 90 feet
 on Main Street from Mrs. Ann's lot to a line 12 feet
 from the West side of my garden and running back to
 Mr. Todd's lot be cut off and given to my daughter Martha
 Gillespie. I also will that my daughter Martha Gillespie
 shall have my silver spoon inscribed with my name
 known as her mother's spoon. I further will that my
 son in law John M. Cochran shall have my gold
 spectacles. If my executor, to be hereinafter named
 should think it necessary in order to settle all claims
 against my estate within the course of one or two years
 after my decease, he is hereby authorized and required
 to make sale of such property as may be necessary for
 this purpose. After settlement of all just claims and demands
 against my estate I hereby will all of my property not
 foregoing to my daughter Salina M. Cochran.
 I hereby request my friend Rev. W. W. Hoag D.D. to execute
 this my last Will and Testament. Signed Sealed and
 Delivered this 21st day of September in the year of our Lord one
 Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty six
 In presence of
 J. L. Grier } Witness my hand and Seal
 J. L. Grier }
 J. L. Grier }

State of South Carolina
 Abbeville County Probate Court

Present Honorable J. Fuller Lyon Judge Probate Court

Personally Appeared J. L. Miller subscribing witness to the annexed instrument of writing, purporting to be the last Will and Testament of R. C. Sharp late of Abbeville County deceased, who being sworn, deposed and said that he was present, and did see the said instrument of writing duly executed by the said R. C. Sharp at the time of executing the said instrument of writing was to the best of defendant's knowledge and belief of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding and that J. L. Miller the deponent, and Paul L. Tris and J. C. Trimmer join in the promise of each other and of the said R. C. Sharp and at his request, signed their names as witnesses to the due execution of the same.

Sworn and Subscribed to before me
 this 9th day of October one thousand
 eight hundred and eighty six.

J. Fuller Lyon
 Judge Probate Court

In the matter of the Last Will and Testament
 of R. C. Sharp.

Upon due Examination of J. L. Miller one of the subscribing witnesses to the annexed instrument of writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of R. C. Sharp late of Abbeville County deceased, it appears to my satisfaction that the same is the true last will of said deceased, it is therefore ordered and decreed that it be admitted to probate in common form and that Letters Testamentary be granted to W. H. Tris.

J. Fuller Lyon
 Judge Probate Court

The State of South Carolina } the Probate
County of Abbeville } Court

I do solemnly swear that this writing contains the true last Will of the within named deceased, as far as I know or believe, and that I will make a will and truly execute the same by paying first the debts and then the legacies contained in said will, as far as the goods and chattels will thereunto extend and the law charge me and that I will make a true and perfect inventory of all such goods and chattels, rights and credits to help me.

Sworn and subscribed to before
me this 9th day of October 1886 W. A. Grier
J. Fuller, Judge
J. P. D.

Last Will and Testament
of
Benj. D. Day.
Decused

South Carolina }
Abbeville County }

I B. D. Day being well in body and of a sound mind and disposing memory do make this my last Will and Testament in the name of God amen.
1st I will that my executor or executors hereafter to be named do pay any just debts that I may be owing.
2nd I will that they may collect any debts that may be owing me.
3rd I will to my son John Benjamin D. Day one half of my Real and Personal Estate during his life time and at his death it is to go to his children share and share alike and the other half of my real and personal Estate is to go to my beloved Wife Malinda D. Day during her life time and at her death it is to go to my son

I, *B. D. Fay*, if he is living and if he is dead to his children
 1st that they have *B. C. Fay* and that my wife *M. A. Fay* be at
 equal expenses in running the farm and that each share the
 profits or loss between them. I do not want my land sold but
 to remain there for the use of my son and Wife during their life
 time and then for *B. C. Fay's* children.
 2^d and lastly I constitute and appoint my son *Benjamin C.*
Fay executor of this my will and Testament and allow
 him to carry it out independent of law or Court of
 equity in case of his death before my wife then and in
 that case my wife *Malinda C. Fay*. I constitute and appoint
 Executors to carry out my will.

Signed Sealed and Delivered

in presence of
W. D. Sullivan
H. L. Word
Thos. H. McCreaghie

B. D. Fay 

The State of South Carolina Probate
 Meriville County Court

Present Honorable *J. Fuller Lyon* Judge Probate Court

Personally appeared *Wm. D. Sullivan* subscribing witness
 to the annexed instrument of writing purporting to be the last
 Will and Testament of *B. D. Fay* late of Meriville County
 deceased who being duly sworn depose and swear that he was
 present and did see the said instrument of writing duly executed
 by the said *B. D. Fay* and depose further that the
 said *B. D. Fay* at the time of executing the said instrument
 of writing was to the best of deponent's knowledge and belief
 of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding
 and that he *W. D. Sullivan* (the deponent) and *W. L.*
Word and *Thos. H. McCreaghie* in the presence of each
 other and of the said *B. D. Fay* and at his request
 signed their names as witnesses to the due execution of
 the same.

Sworn and Subscribed to before me this
 31st day of January one thousand
 eight hundred and eighty-seven
J. Fuller Lyon
 Judge Probate Court

Wm. D. Sullivan

In the matter of the
Last Will and Testament
of B. C. Jay
Deceased

Upon due examination of W. D. Sullivan one of the subscribing witnesses to the aforesaid instrument of writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of B. C. Jay late of Abbeville County deceased it appears to my satisfaction that the same is the true last Will of said deceased. It is therefore ordered and decreed that it be admitted to probate in aforesaid form and that Letters Testamentary be granted to B. C. Jay.

J. M. L. L. L.
Judge Probate Court.

The State of South Carolina Probate
County of Abbeville Court

I do solemnly swear that this writing contains the true last Will of within named deceased so far as I know or believe and that I will well and truly execute the same by paying first the debts and then the legacies contained in said Will as far as his goods and chattels will thereto extend and the law charge me and that I will make a true and perfect inventory of all such goods and chattels rights and credits of B. C. Jay and

Sworn and Subscribed to
before me this 31st day of

Jan^y 1887
J. M. L. L. L.
Judge Probate Court

B. C. Jay

Last Will and Testament
of Henry Johnson,
Deceased

State of South Carolina
Milledgeville County

I Henry Johnson of said State and County being of sound mind and disposing memory do make this my Last will and Testament in manner and form following (viz)

- Item 1st I desire that all my just debts and funeral Expenses be paid by my Executor.
- Item 2nd It is my will and desire that my adopted son Samuel M. Johnson shall receive no portion of my Estate.
- Item 3rd I give and Bequeath to James R. Latimer Five Hundred Dollars of my Estate.
- Item 4th I give and Bequeath to my Niece Monroa A. Latimer all the Balance of my estate that I may own at my Death of whatever kind.
- Sdly. I Appoint James R. Latimer Executor of this my Last will and Testament with full power to carry out the same. Witness my hand and Seal the Twenty seventh day of February in the second Eight Hundred and Eighty Six.
- Signed Sealed declared and published as the Last will of Henry Johnson in his presence and the presence of each other.
- I Henry Johnson
- I J. M. Mathison
- I M. Mathison

The State of South Carolina
County of Milledgeville Probate Court

Present Honorable J. D. Fuller Judge Probate Court

Personally Appeared J. M. Mathison, subscribing witness to the annexed instrument of writing, purporting

to be the last Will and Testament of Henry Johnson late of Abbeville County deceased who being duly sworn deposeth and saith that he was present and did see the said instrument of writing duly executed by the said Henry Johnson. And deposeth further saith that the said Henry Johnson at the time of executing the said instrument of writing was to the best of deponent's knowledge and belief of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding and that he J. M. Mathison, the deponent, and J. J. Mathison and J. J. Mathison in the presence of each other and of the said Henry Johnson and at his request signed their names as witnesses to the due execution of the same.

Sworn and Subscribed to before me
this 5th day of March one thousand
eight hundred and eighty seven
J. Fuller Lyon
J. P.

J. M. Mathison

In the matter of the
Last Will and Testament
of Henry Johnson
deceased

Upon an examination of J. M. Mathison one of the subscribing witnesses to the aforesaid instrument of writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Henry Johnson late of Abbeville County deceased it appears to my satisfaction that the same is the true last Will of said deceased; it is therefore ordered and decreed that it be admitted to probate in Common form and that Letters Testamentary be granted to J. J. Mathison the named executor.

J. Fuller Lyon
Judge Probate Court