

In the name of God: Amen

I Benjamin High of the State of South-
Carolina, and Charleston District being in
a free state of health but of sound and ^{perfect} memo-
ry thanks be to Almighty God for the same -
but calling to mind the mortality of any body
and knowing that it is appointed for man
once to die, do make, constitute, ordain, and
appoint this my last Will and Testament in
manner and form following: (Viz)

I do hereby give to my Daughter Eliza-
beth Barnes one Maynaght married Dapple
gray which said horse at this time I guess
I suppose was worth about two hundred dollars
therefore may well and wisely is that my three
Daughters, namely, Betsey, Grimbey, Wherry
High and a Harry High, have each of them
one small negro, to be valued at two hundred
dollars, immediately after my Death - but
as it is not likely that three young widows
can be selected out of my estate that will be
valued to precisely two hundred dollars each, my
will and desire is that three young negroes out
of my Estate be selected that may amount to the value
of two hundred dollars each as aforesaid and if any
either of them should be valued to more than
two hundred dollars then then greater of them
receiving such negro shall pay to my Estate the
over plus, or all, or so much as such negro may be
valued over and above two hundred dollars

as aforesaid - but should either or any one of
those negroes to be valued to my Daughters as a
foresaid, be valued to less than two hundred
Dollars then in that case the person or persons re-
ceiving such negro shall receive as much money
out of my estate, as will make such negro worth
the sum of two hundred Dollars; and my three
Daughters aforesaid after receiving each a negro
in the manner and form aforesaid shall freely
possess and enjoy the same for ever -

Item, My will and desire is, that my Daugh-
ter Deborah Russell, have two hundred Dollars
in money to be bequeathed to her out of my Estate &
paid to her by Executors, to make her equal to
my other Daughters, who may receive such a negro
in the manner aforesaid.

Item, my Will and desire is that all the
remaining part of my Estate be lent to my
Wife Sarah High during her life, or
whichever she not making waste thereof.

Item, after the death of my Wife Sarah
High, my Will and desire is, that each of my
Sons (namely, Rich High, Burrell High,
Benjamin High, Paschal High, Joseph
High & David High) have each of them
two hundred Dollars; and that my two grand
sons Thomas Martin and John Martin have
each, one hundred Dollars, to be bequeathed out of
my Estate.

Item, my Will and desire is that the

remaining part of my Estate (after the I leave to
my Wife Sarah High as aforesaid) be equally di-
vided between my eleven Children Viz,
Richard R. High, Burnell High, Elizabeth
Carr, Benjamin High, Susan High, Joseph
Patsy Gramling, Charles High, Rachel High,
Spencer High, Susan High, and Isaac High.
and that my two grand sons Thomas Martin
and John Martin have a Child part between
them.

Item, I do leave my Son Richard C. High
as Executor of my Estate & being suit against the Es-
tate of Charles C. Carr late of the State of Virginia
Sec. for money due me from that Estate; now if
my Son Richard C. High shall refuse or neglect to
procure sufficient witnesses to stop my execu-
tor in the Court of Ordinary, what he may have
born in that case, then in case of his neglecting or
refusing as aforesaid he shall have no interest
in the Estate of Charles C. Carr late of the State
of Virginia Sec. for his part or portion out of my Es-
tate and no other part of my estate whatever.

And I do hereby declare this to be my last will
utterly revoking all others. Lastly I nominate
my Son in Law Thomas Carr Burnell High
Executors to this my last will and testament
In testimony whereof I have hereunto set
my hand at this 4th Day of March A.D. 1816.

In witness whereof I have signed
Signed in presence of

Benjamin High
Charles High

South Carolina } This last will & Testament
 of Benjamin High dec'd being
 proven & allowed by the Ordinary of said District, a
 true copy thereof is this transmitted, & this Original
 filed for the purpose of being recorded in the
 -aries office of said District.

By Wm. Lancaster

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South Carolina } This last will & Testament of Benjamin
 of said District } High dec'd is recorded in the Ordinance
 office of said District, in Booklet, page 104-105 & 106. This
 15th day of May 1817.

By Wm. Lancaster
 O. L. D.

Will of Benjamin High
proved by the
Ordinary of the
District of Columbia
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Edward Jones
of the District