

my dear friend & my dear friend
 Robert Russell }
 Frederick Fisher }
 I also appoint ~~my~~ ^{my} son Charles Pickens
 & Jacob Nelson to be my Executors

In the name of God Amen. I William Pickens of the State
 of Carolina & County of Richland hereby proposing consider-
 able health & of sound mind & memory (blessed be God for his
 mercies) but sensible from my advanced stage of life that
 I am on the confines of the eternal world, Respectfully this
 my last will & testament in manner & form as follows
 viz Inprimis. I commit my body to the dust to be buried in
 a decent manner & in the presence of my Executors, and my
 soul to God who gave it trusting & relying on Jesus Christ
 through his precious blood for redemption from all
 worldly substance that I in his goodness has bestowed
 upon me I dispose of it as follows - viz
 Inprimis I desire to my son ~~Charles~~ ^{Charles} Pickens one hundred
 acres of Land lying on the north part of my plantation
 joining Henry Parr & William's purchase to him his heirs
 and assigns forever - Item I desire in the remainder
 of my land viz 100 acres to remain in the possession of
 the entire care of my daughter Mary single so long as any two
 of them shall continue single & chosen to be there & if it
 is partitioned off the above specified parcel of Land to be
 exposed to Public Sale - Item I desire that my three daugh-
 ters single be apportioned equally to three elderly married
 men I desire that all my property not included under the
 foregoing be sold to pay the debts of the estate & that out of the money
 there raised to be paid to the above named of Land chosen
 to be sold all just demands against me & to be divided
 & the residue to be given to my dear friend
 & to my dear friend & to my dear friend

Alexander Pickens & my son in San Francisco within
 Missouri the Executors of this my last will & Testament
 In witness whereof I am signing this as before said & have
 hereunto set my hand & affixed my seal this 22nd day of
 "2 May A.D. 1809" In presence of
 John Wilson } William Pickens
 Jos Wilson }

Tested 22nd day of May, 1810

William Pickens do add the following clause by way
 of bequeath my Sonnet to my son General Furber
 born of my wife in the month of July 1808 on the S. E. side
 of my plantation in witness whereof I have hereunto
 set my hand & seal
 John Wilson } William Pickens
 Cynthia Furber }

In the name of God, Amen. I, Alexander Pickens

William Pickens of the County of Berkeley, being
 in a very weakly state of health, perfect mind & memory
 I have hereunto set my hand & seal, my
 mortality & knowing that it is appointed for all men once
 to die, Do make this my last will & Testament that in to day
 principally & first of all I give & bequeath my soul into
 the hand of Almighty God that gave it, and for my body I
 recommend it to the earth to be buried in a decent Christian
 manner at the discretion of my Executors, nothing doubting
 but that the general resurrection I shall receive there
 again by the mighty power of God's word as I trust my soul
 will be able to take, whereunto it has pleased the almighty God to
 lead me in this life I give & bequeath all that I have
 in my name, that is to say in the first place I give &
 reserve to all my just & lawful & to be paid, then the
 several places & presents to my wife & children & to
 give all my working tools of every description and
 appurtenances thereto belonging I give & bequeath to John