

In the name of God Amen I James Gatewood of Caroline County
and Sayre's parish being sick and weak in body but in perfect
senses thanks be to Almighty God for the same - I do Constitute and
ordain this to be my last Will and Testament in manner and form
Following (Wit) It is my will and desire that all my Just debts
be paid in the first place. Item I give to my son James Gatewood
a negro Girl named Sarah with her increase to him and his
heirs for ever. Item I give to my son Reubin Gatewood two
thousand acres Land that I purchased of Mr. John Wiley only my
wife is to have liberty to work her negroes on the said Land during
her life also I give one negro Girl named Venus with increase
to my said son also a negro man named Rich also one half

her life also I give one negro girl named Venus with license
to my said son also a negro man named Rich also one half
of the stock on the said place where he now lives Consisting of
Cattle and Hogs I also devise Joseph to my said son for the
Maintenance of my son Griffin but in case my son Reuben
should die before Griffin I devise Rich and Joseph to John
Gatewood for the Maintenance of my son Griffin and in
Case my son John should die I devise them to my son James
Gatewood for the maintenance of my said son Griffin Item
I give to my son John Gatewood a negro boy named Ambrose
to him and his heirs for ever Item I give to my son Griffin

Gatewood a Black Horse Saddle and Stirrups to him and his
heirs for ever. Item I lend to my Daughter Ann Bowcock during
her life Mack Lidy and York and after her death to her daughter
Elizabeth Bowcock and her heirs lawfully begotten for ever
Item I give to my Daughter Amy Burnett a negro Girl named
Cloe to her and her heirs for ever. Item I give to my Daughter
Mary Gatewood four Negroes (Viz) Jacob, Judy, Sarah,
Jolly, to her and her heirs for ever. Item I give to my Daughter
Cathy Gatewood four Negroes (Viz) Rachel, Leice, Fanny, and
Phoby to her and her heirs for ever. Item I give to my Grand-
daughter Lucith Gatewood a negro Girl named Dice to her
and her heirs for ever Item give to my son Benjamin Gatewood
all Land I live on after the death of my wife but my Daughter
Molly and Cat

I and I live on after the death of my wife but my Daughters
Molly and Caty are to use their Negroes on it as long as
they live single and I do also lend to my wife all my Estate
that is not given away both real and personal during her
life & after her decease to be divided amongst my
Sons, Ruben, John, Molly, and Caty Latwood. Lastly
I constitute and appoint my Sons Ruben & John
Latwood my Executors of this my last Will & Testament
revoking and making void all former Wills: as Witness
my hand this 30 day of November in the Year of
our Lord God 1778

Signed & sealed in
presence of
Harry Dixon
Abner Dixon

James Latwood

At a Court held for Caroline County on ~~Thursday~~ the 12 day
of September 1783 This will was proved by the Oaths of the
Witnesses thereto & admitted to Record. On motion of ~~Reuben~~
Gatwood one of the Executors therein named who took the Oath
prescribed by Law Certificate is granted him for obtaining
a Probate thereof bond acknowledged and ordered to be ~~filed~~

At a Court held for the said County on Thursday the 11 day
December following a Probate of the said will was granted
John Gatwood another of the Executors who took the Oath
acknowledged a bond for the same According to Law

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William R. R. R.