

Georgia

in the name of God the Father Son and
Holy Ghost Amen - for thus saith the Lord
sett mine Yause in order for thou shalt die
and not live - therefore I John Smith of the
City of Savannah Bath. being in good health
and of a sound & disposing mind memory &
understanding - But considering the uncertain
Human Life Do make this my last will and

testament in manner & form following: that is to
wit: I commend my Soul to the hands of
God the Father Son & Holy Ghost who gave it to
my Body - and my Body I resign to the earth to
decently bury - In a Christian like manner - and
as for and concerning all such worldly estate as
has pleased God to bless me with: I give & devise
of the same in the following manner - viz: First
it is my will and desire that all my just Debts and
Funeral Expences be fully paid & satisfied -

it is my will and desire that immediately
after my decease my Executors be authorized
to sell and dispose of all that my late wife
and I have in common in the town of Savannah
situated at the corner of Barnard & Duke Streets

that it is also my will and desire that my house
and lot which I now occupy number twenty the
Liberty ward, be also sold by my Executors herein
after named immediately after my decease - and
I will and direct that the money which may arise
of our such sale be as soon thereafter as possible

transmitted by my Executor to Germany - And I do
by these Presents give Grant will & transfer to my said
Executor full power & Authority to Grant Bargain
sell & convey all those my aforesaid two lots of land
with the Improvements thereon to any person or
persons and their heirs forever by all and sundry
such lawful ways means in the Law as to

them shall seem good and be lawful
in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand
at Savannah this 10th day of June 1791

my house all the moveable property which I may be
possessed of at the time of my decease, my executor do
sell & dispose of - and the money which may arise
from the sale of my two abovesaid mentioned lots
and other property which I may have:

I will and direct that the money from each sale be
so soon thereafter as possible transmitted by my
executor to Germany - then to be divided as here-
inafter is signified: Thus I give and bequeath

to my cousins the children of my uncle &
Smith of the Parish & village of Zehrisch
in Germany the sum of two hundred dollars
equally to be divided among them & their
wife - and if any of them shall at the time of
my decease have departed this life leaving
issue - then each issue to take the share of the
said two hundred dollars which their
respective Parents would have been entitled to
had they remained alive

Thus I give and bequeath to the Poor
Germany of all ages & where my Nephews
& children of my Brothers & Sisters
live & around do it them one hundred
dollars which is to be read out for buying
Bibles to them and other good Books for the
religious education of the children of the Poor
long & observe this that when the Poor Parents get
the money they forget of buying Books for their
children but make other uses of it therefore you
will use out this hundred dollars of buying
Bibles and other good Books for them as far as the
hundred dollars will reach

Thus I give and bequeath to the Poor of the
Parish and village of Linsbach and morster
and Principality of Worsien in the Province
of Posen in Germany the sum of four
hundred dollars to be paid

that I have in present and

the interest thereof is to buy Books and to pay their
school money at that Parish of the Poor Children
that they might know themselves what they are
entitled to every year - as it is my native place
and I myself have had the experience thereof. So
know the extreme want of education because my
Parents were Poor and could not afford to
give me education. Therefore I can not neglect
but to assist and bequeath some thing for their
education. at what God will bless me with.
Item - If at the time of my decease there be any
money in hand which shall be immediately after
my decease as soon as possible thereafter be
transmitted by my executor to Germany.
Item - If at the time of my decease there shall
remain living the surviving wife or Husband
of a Brother or Sister of me whole Brother or
Sister has died without leaving issue then to
each such surviving wife or Husband I give
and bequeath the Sum of one hundred Dollars
and as for and concerning all the rest residue
and remainder of my Estate whatsoever - whether
Real or Personal. - I give devise and bequeath
the Same to my Nephews and nieces the children
of my Brothers & Sisters equally to be divided
among them share & share alike - and in case at
the time of my decease any of my said Nephews
or nieces shall have departed this Life leaving
a child or children then it is my will that
such child or children do take such proportion
of my said Estate as his or their respective
Father or mother would have been entitled to
had they remained living - and as my neph-
ews and nieces are all born and baptized under
true evangelic religion which is built upon the
foundation of the Apostles and prophets Jesus
Christ himself being the chief corner stone
upon all the built - fitly frames

groweth unto an holy temple in the Lord. to
whom ye also are builded together for an habitation
of God through the spirit Till we all come in
the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of
the son of God into a perfect man into the
measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ
that is to say: if any one of my Nephews or mine
change there true Evangelist religion and tak
up with any other outward eye shining false
religion or there lying books and cast away the
sweet and wholesome word of God which God
the Father had sent do us through his son
our Saviour: such a one I cut off short and
I knowledg him or her not as a Nephew or mine
ye are therefor not unequally yoked together with
unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteous
ness with unrighteousness: and what communio
hath light with darkness: and what concord
hath Christ with Belial: or what part hath he
that believeth with an infidel: and what
agreement hath the temple of God with idols:
for ye are the temple of the living God if you
remain in your true Evangelist religion and
by the sweet and wholesome word of God as God
hath said I will dwell in them and walk in
them and I will be their God and they shall be
my people: wherefore come out from among
them and be ye separate saith the Lord and
touch not the unclean thing and I will receive
you: for those false maimbling feigned religion
with their false and blind gods: and the false
prophet with his lie books those are the unclean
things which are against God and his word for they
are commandment of men and not of God there
for depart and be ashamed and touch not the
unclean thing and I will receive you and I will
be with you and shall be your God

daughters with the Lord Almighty: so thence and
sa that it is an evil thing and better than hast
invention the Lord thy God: thence repent and be
converted that your love may be blotted out: this is
God's voice to do well then ought you not to praise
God that sent his holy spirit in truth to determine
your heart to close with Christ and be reconciled to
that God you are shortly to appear before and
consider how provoking it will be to him if you
slight it you will provoke God to slight your voice
when you cry to him and stop his ear against the
voice of your supplication you will provoke God
to cease from being a Reprover to you so that he
will speak to you no more you will provoke him
to bring heavier judgments on you you are so to
draw his sword of justice against you as you can
see it is drawn that he will sheathe it up no more
therefor come out of her any people that are not
partakers of her iniquity for her sins have reached
unto heaven and God hath remembered her iniqui-
ties therefore pray ye our Father which art in heaven
hallowed be thy name thy Kingdom come: thy will
be done in earth as it is in heaven whereas an ass
which are greater in power and might being not
raising accusation against them before the Lord but
these as natural brute beasts made to be taken and
destroyed speak evil of the things that they under-
stand not and shall utterly perish in their own
corruption and shall receive the reward of unrighte-
ness as they that count it pleasure to riot in the day
time spots they are and blemishes sporting them-
selves with their own deceivings: why do ye not
understand my speech even because ye cannot hear
my word ye are of your father the devil and the
lust of your father ye will do he was a murderer
from the beginning and abode not in the truth
because there is no truth in him when he speaketh
a lie he speaketh of his own for he is a liar
the father of it

these are their fruits of it when you change your religion and cast away the sweet and wholesome word of God: therefore know ye the truth and the truth shall make you free. then Jesus answered them verily I say unto you: whosoever committeth sin is the servant of sin, and the servant abideth not in the house for ever: but the son abideth ever if the son therefore shall make you free ye shall be free indeed then said Jesus and because I tell you the truth ye believe me not: verily verily I say unto you: if a man keep my saying he shall never see death: — Jesus saith unto them I am the way and the truth and the life: no man cometh unto the father but by me and whatsoever ye shall ask in my name that will I do that the father may be glorified in the son: if ye ask any thing in my name I will do it: if ye love me keep my commandments and I will pray the father and he shall give you another comforter that he may abide with you for ever: even the spirit of truth whom the world cannot receive: if I had not come and spoken unto them they had not had sin: but now they have no cloak for this: he that hateth me hateth my father also: he that rejecteth me and receiveth not my words hath one that judgeth him: the word that I have spoken: the same shall judge him in the last day: therefore repent ye and believe the gospel which were preached through Jesus Christ our saviour: which is his body the fulness of him that filleth all in all and he is before all things and by him all things consist: and he is the head of the body — the church who is the beginning: the first born from the dead: that in all things he might have preeminence: for it pleased the father that in him should all things dwell: hee see that there is no other way to be saved but through Jesus Christ therefore flee to Christ as your only saviour and save the world: thus hate him and then he

not bear his name. he that believeth on him is not
condemned. but he that believeth not is condemned
already. because he hath not believed in the name
of the only begotten son of god. verily. verily
I say unto you the hour is coming and now is when
the dead shall hear the voice of the son of god and
they that hear shall live. and ye will not come to
me that ye might have life. I receive not honour
from men. but I know you that ye have not the
love of god in you. I can come in my fathers name
and ye receive me not: if another shall come in his
own name him ye will receive. this is the world now
a hindling for they cannot endure the truth. and
loved the lie. is not the world the Jews and all
what dwell therein. then you are of a citizens of
the world. But his citizens hated him and sent a
messenger after him saying we will not have this ^{man} to
reign over us. for I say unto you. that unto every
one which hath shall be given and from him
that hath not. even that he hath shall be taken
away from him: but these mine enemies which
woud not that I should reign over them bring
hither and slay them before me. therefore live to christ
and pray to god for his mercy for even notorious
sinners have been pardoned and saved on it and it is
still offered in the gospel to the souls of sinners though
god foresaw all the sins which the world would commit
yet these did not hinder him from loving the world
that he gave his only begotten son to death to save as
many as would believe and repent: so that the sins of
one man can never hinder god from loving his soul
and forgiving his sin. when he sincerely desires to
repent and believe. the cry of the most grievous sins
that are recorded: such as these of Sodom: could never
reach higher than unto heaven but David assures
that the mercies of god is great and reaches up high
than the heavens. so that it overtoppeth the guilt
of all our sins if the mercy of god be greater
his words it must surely be greater than all

again I lay before you the infinite virtue of
Christ's blood. Why it is not the blood of a mere
man, but the blood of god. and are there any
sins so great, or guilt so heinous, but the blood
of god can wash away. Surely god was made
flesh, and shed his blood, not for lesser sins only,
but for great sins also. he was sadly discourag-
ed, the least drop of this blood is of more merit to
procure the mercy of god for our Salvation than all
our sins can be of force to provoke the wrath of god
for our damnation. why, the greatest of our sins
are but the sins of a man. But the least drop of
Christ's blood is the blood of god. moreover, lay
to heart and mind at the willingness and readiness
of our Redeemer to receive all sinners that came to
him in the days of his flesh though driven to him
by sickness and affliction. so that he never put any
of them away without errand, that they came crying
for mercy. often he many times sought out objects
for his mercy, that were not thinking of coming to
him as rogues and thieves. before obscure the sur-
roundings of our Lord's carriage to Judas himself in
calling him friend, after his most treacherous dealing
friend said he: wherefore art thou come, had
wretched Judas laid hold on the word friend
out of the mouth of Christ as Benbadad did the
word brother from the mouth of a king. doubtless
Judas should have feared the god of Israel more
merciful than Benbadad, toward the king of Israel
consider that to despair of god's mercy, casts the
greatest dishonor upon the divine Majesty, and is a
sin more heinous than all the sins that he has
before committed, why it doth charge the great
god as guilty of perjury, who hath solemnly
sworn that he desires not the death of a sinner,
but rather that he should repent and live. god
is more displeased with him for despairing of

his mercy than for murdering his brother and with
judas for hanging himself than for betraying his
Master: why. Because that by their despair they would
make the sins of mortal men greater than the
infinite mercy of the eternal god. therefore we cannot
in prayer to god for the forgiveness of your sins
and be sober be vigilant because your adversary the
devil as a roaring lion walketh about seeking
whom he may devour: whom resist. Sted fast in the
faith for the angel saying with a loud voice. Fear
god and give glory to him for the hour of his
judgement is come and worship him that maketh
heaven and earth and the sea and the fountains
of waters for the kingdom of god is at hand the
time is fulfilled for the devil is come down unto
you having great wrath because he knoweth that
he hath but a short time: for the power is given
unto the false prophet over all kindreds and
tongues and nations for the time is come that
they do not endure sound doctrine. But after this
they shall turn thus. They heape to themselves teachers
having itching ears and they shall turn away
their ears from the truth and shall be turned
unto fables. therefore not giving heed to those
fables and commandments of men that turn
from the truth. therefore see this unto them that
are deceived and unbelieving is nothing pure in
even their mind and conscience is defiled they
profess that they know god but in works they
deny him being abominable and disobedient
and unto every good work reprobate. men of every
mind reprobate concerning the faith and even
as they did not like to retain god in their know-
ledge god gave them over to a reprobate mind
to do those things which are not convenient
being filled with all unrighteousness forni-
cation. wickedness covetousness malice and
full of envy murder debate deceit and

wise men backbiters. Lovers of god and his word. Dis-
pitable proud boasters inventors of evil things
disobedient to parents without understanding -
covenant breakers without natural affection
implacable unmerciful this is what you will yet
do if you change your religion or cast away the
pure and wholesome word of god. the only truth
which is Jesus christ the way the truth and the life
for there is no other way to be saved and the only one
to come by the truth and the truth shall make
you free if the law therefore make you free ye shall
be free indeed this satan saith that no servant can
serve two masters for either he will hate the one and
love the other or else he will hold to the one and despise
the other ye cannot serve god and mammon therefore
whosoever you touch these unclean things these
evil things he saith of the false prophet you give the
devil power over you to exchange you with such strength
and cunning minds so that you will think little of
god and his word even as our carnal father saith it is good
but if the will lose his favour when with shall it
be pleased it is neither fit for the land nor yet for the
people but men call it out he that hath ears to hear
let him hear the true and wholesome word of god is a
good thing but if you are soon hardened in mind and
falling away then cometh the devil and taketh away
the word out of your hearts lest they should believe
and be saved consider that gods command to you is to
get above the work presently without any delay to day
ye will hear his voice harder on your hearts go
work to day in my vineyard Remember now thy creator
in the days of thy youth well gods voice to you & my
own witness is to day but the devils voice is to
morrow and which of the two will you hearken to
Surely it is your wisdom to obey the voice of your
creator and friend and not of your enemy and
destroyer why to day thou art in health to morrow
thou must be in sickness to day thou art on earth
to morrow thou must be in hell to day christ is with
you to come to him to - so on he may be convincing

you to depart from him and consider that the devil tempts you to delay this day will be as ready to tempt you to the same to morrow and so the devil to morrow will never come it will be still to morrow with him till the last hour that so he may get you cheated out of your whole time and salvation together consider the uncertainty of your life and time to repent your life is but a vapor a little warm breath that is going out and in at your nostrils which may be stopped by death are you be aware than knowest not what will be to morrow or you know not what you will be into the grave and would you be willing to lie down thus in your sins with earthly dead persons wandering and unbelieving hearts for nothing that night some of which you will never see the morning but which of your morning or night these will be you know not knowing your times are not in your own hands alas as some believe therefore pray to God as not to be troubled or be troubled neither by spirit nor by man nor by ruler as from us as that the Son of Man is at hand let no man deceive you by any means for that day shall not come except there be a falling away first and that man of sin be revealed the son of perdition who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called god or that is worshipped for the mystery of iniquity is now ready at work only he who now letteth will let until he be taken out of the way this is to say he will let until the truth be taken out of the world little children it is the last time and as I have heard that antichrist shall come even now he is in the world with all his power and might whereby we know that it is the last time even him whose coming is after the working of satan with all power and signs and lying wonders and with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish because they received not the love of truth that they might be saved and for this cause god shall send them strong delusions that they should believe a lie this is the beginning of the wrath of god against them

is destruction: where God is their belly and whose glory
is in their shame: who mind earthly things: as not
desiring God: is not mocked for: whatsoever a man soweth
that shall he also reap: for he that soweth to his flesh shall
of the flesh reap corruption: but he that soweth to the
spirit shall of the spirit reap life everlasting: and let
us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we
shall reap if we faint not: for the end of all things is
at hand: be ye therefore sober and watch unto prayer
and as ye have done things have fervent charity: among
yourselves: for charity shall cover the multitude of
sins: so our conversation is in heaven from whence
also we look for the Saviour the Lord Jesus Christ
who shall change our vile body that it may be
fashioned like unto his glorious body according to
the working whereby he is able even to subdue all
things unto himself.

And I do hereby nominate constitute &
appoint John Smith the only Executor of this
my last will & Testament hereby revoking and
rescinding unto and void all other and former
wills by me at any Time heretofore made and it
become this only to be my last will and Testament
in witness whereof I the said John Smith have
hereunto set my hand and seal this six day

of June - in the year of
our Lord one thousand Eight hundred & four
Set your house in order by making your latter -
will and settling your domestic and secular affairs
while you have power and capacity for doing it.
after the heart is set in order the next work is to set
your house in order according to Gods counsel to -
Hegelink - first it is my will and desire that
immediately after my decease my Executor is to
translate this my will and Testament into the
German language and for word and deed I do
my Executor in German: thereafter I do
bequeath to the said John Smith that he can receive