

In the name of God. Aware, this is the last will and testament of me Francis Severe of Mt. Tuckah county, in the state of Georgia, being very weak, from long sickness, but of sound mind and disposing mind after paying my funeral expenses, and discharging my lawful debts, I direct my executors and executors, herein named, to keep all my estate real and personal, in Georgia, together, that the same may be worked and cultivated, in the best manner, by my executors, as they shall see fit, for the benefit of my family, until my son John Severe, shall arrive to the age of twenty one years, and in that period the left profits of my said estate, shall annually be divided into three parts one thereof, I give and bequeath unto my dear wife Charlotte Severe, to be applied, as she may see proper; the second part, I give and bequeath unto my affectionate daughter Charlotte Julia Severe, to be applied to her use as she shall direct; the other third part, of the annual profits of my said estate I give and bequeath to my loving son John Severe, to be applied to his use and for his education, and advancement in life until he shall arrive to the age of twenty one years, as my executors and executors may find necessary and advisable - when my son shall arrive the age of twenty one years, I order and direct, that my said estate, real and personal, be fairly valued and appraised and for that divided into three parts, of such of my said estate, is devised to give and bequeath, to my said wife Charlotte during her natural life after her death, to my said children Charlotte Julia and John, in equal parts, or in case of death, then to the survivor, for his or her life forever. one other third part of my said estate when my son shall come to the age of twenty one years, I give and bequeath, to my said daughter Charlotte Julia Severe her heirs forever - and the remaining third part of my said estate, I give, devise and bequeath to my said son John Severe he shall arrive to the age of twenty one years his heirs and assigns forever. in case either of my children die, before they are to receive a dividend of my estate, then the share of the said child shall go to the survivor, his heirs and assigns forever.

...and when both my children, shall be before they are
able to receive their share, and without lawful issue then the
estate so falling shall go to their mother, the said Charlotte
Scott and with her own share (she not living her children or their
lawful issue) to her and her heirs and assigns forever the residue
of my estate, I give in equal parts to my wife and children. This
my will and I do strongly recommend, to my son, to pursue, a
substantial part of a college education, in England, until he
comes to eighteen years of age, and then it is my wish, and
mine, that he come to this country, and enter to such a profession
as his Father may prompt, and his friends advise him
with intent, that on his arrival to twenty one years of
age he may have a knowledge of the constitution and Laws of
the United States, and of this State, the better qualified to receive
the charge of the estate herein devised him and which I desire
to accumulate for his and his mother's and sister's benefit, I am firmly
convinced, I may have executed, and where, I have entered into an
act not perfected, authorize my executors, or a majority of them
to carry such contracts into effect and do hereby revoke all former
wills and testaments - hereby appointing my said dear wife Charlotte
Scott, sole executrix of this my will and testament, and so far
relates to my property of mine under the British government as she
is now generally in America I also appoint my friends William
Johnston, Matthew Johnston and James Johnston Junior, all of whom
are of this my last will and testament written, named, devised
and signed, and sealed by me at Johnston this twelfth
day of August hundred and two

Francis Scott.

Witness my hand and seal
and declared by
me as last witness
James Johnston
Matthew Johnston
James Johnston Junior
Johnston
Johnston
Johnston

Georgia
Chatham County

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Personally appeared before me James
Baileys of N. York county, Justice of the Peace,
with, that he was present and did see James Smith sign
the testator within named, duly signs, seal and declare
the within writing to be and contain his last will and
testament, for the uses and purposes therein mentioned,
and that the said James Smith was of sound mind and
memory at the execution thereof and that this deposition
with John Thompson planter, and John Harrington
Seymour all residing in N. York county aforesaid called
their names, in presence of the said James Smith, and in
each others presence, to the due execution of the said last
will and testament as witnesses at his request, and final
oath etc.

Seven before us

6 October 1942

Robt. Bairden.

John S. Williamson L.S. 68

Chas. F. Haden. S. L. 6

1801 In the name of God. Amen. March the 1st
I John third taking into consideration the uncertainty of life this
I am pained to this moment in the use of my reason I judge it my
indispensable duty to nominate John Florberg as my lawful executor
to take into his possession all money goods chattels wearing appur-
tenances in trade the house the lease of which I am to pay for ground
rent twenty four dollars a year to S. H. Holmsten the lease of the garden
expiring on the 1st of January 1806 the all amount will be 520 for the
rent should it be the will of God to remove the aforesaid John Florberg
it is my desire that John Gardiner citizen who resides and lives in the
Seventh be requested ^{trust} to take upon him it is my funeral shall be
I wish to be conducted with as little expense as possible the executor shall
this my last will if any money remains or goods sufficient to buy a
gold ring ⁸⁷ and wear it this as a token of gratitude for services done
me my debts and conditions is named in my book number 1801