

I James P. Richardson of the County of Savannah and State of Georgia being of sound mind and disposing memory do make this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking and annulling all other wills heretofore at any time whatsoever made by me

Firstly I direct that all my just debts be paid by my Executors hereinafter named as soon as it practicable

Secondly I give devise and bequeath to my wife Elizabeth the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars and I also direct that my said wife shall have the use and enjoyment of my House in the City of Savannah and my household furniture therein so long as she may please to use them for and during the term of her natural life

Thirdly I give and bequeath unto my Mother Mrs Ann Richardson now living in Scotland the sum of six hundred Dollars per annum for and during her life and which I direct my Executors to pay to her in equal half yearly instalments dating from my decease, and upon the death of my said Mother or should she not survive me I direct the said sum of six hundred Dollars per annum to be paid in the aforesaid manner to my Aunt Mrs Sarah Willson who now resides in Scotland for and during the term of her natural life

Fourthly I give and bequeath to Mrs Martha Richardsome of Savannah the sum of six hundred Dollars per annum for and during the term of her natural life to be paid to her in the same manner as the annuity hereinbefore bequeathed to my mother

Fifthly It is my will that all my Slaves with the exception of those hereinafter named shall be sent to Liberia in Africa if they should desire to go there. To carry out that purpose I give and bequeath my said Slaves to my Executors in Trust to send them to Liberia or to send there all who may wish to go and to hold those who shall not elect so to do for the uses and purposes hereinafter declared and charged upon the remainder of my estate in their hands

Sixthly I give and bequeath my slave Melinda and her children except Jim to my Daughter Elizabeth they having been heretofore given to her mother by me

Seventhly I direct my Executors to send Jim the child of the said Melinda to Liberia unless he refuse to go, in which case I desire them to treat him as indulgently as may be consistent with his condition in life

Eighthly The rest residue and remainder of my estate both real and personal or of whatever kind I give devise and bequeath to my friends James P. Scriven and Richard T. Gilson of the County of Chatham their heirs Executors and Administrators for the uses and purposes (to wit)

hereinafter declared: that is to say, I do trust to manage and control my said estate to the best of their judgement and discretion in accordance with the laws of the State of Georgia and to receive the income and profits thereof and to apply the same according to the provisions hereinafter made.

Whenever my eldest surviving child attains the age of Twenty one years or in case either of my daughters should marry before arriving at age I direct the said Trustees at the time of such child arriving at the age or daughter marrying to divide all my Estate of whatsoever kind then in their hands remaining sufficient undivided for the payment of the annuities herebefore charged thereon, into as many Equal Parts as there are children then living and to hold each share separately for the use and benefit of each child respectively and until such division is made I direct the said Trustees to apply the income and profits of my estate or such part thereof as they in their discretion may think necessary to the Education and maintenance of my children generally.

The share or shares to which my son or sons if there be more than one shall be entitled I direct to be conveyed to them absolutely as they may severally arrive at age, the income and profits of their respective portions to be applied until that time to their maintenance and education according to the discretion of the said Trustees.

The Income and profits of the share which shall be appertaining for the use of each of my Daughters shall be in like manner applied to their education and maintenance until they shall arrive at age or marry.

And I further direct that the share so appertaining and set aside for the use of each of my daughters respectively shall not be conveyed to her at the time she may arrive at age or marry but that the said Trustees shall hold the same in and upon the following trusts, that is to say I do trust for her sole and separate use and benefit not subject to the debts or control of any husband whom she may marry the Income and profits thereof to be paid to her separate order with power to dispose of the capital upon her written request and to reinvest the same upon the same trusts for and during the term of her natural life and at and after her death then to hold the same for the use and benefit of the child or children of the said daughter who may be living at the time of her death and in case there be no child or children so living then to convey the same to such person or persons as may be designated by the last Will and testament or instrument in writing in the nature of a last Will and testament duly made by the daughter to whom such share was appertained as aforesaid and in case no such disposition should be made by the daughter of the share so held in trust for her then and in such case I direct the said Trustees

to appointment among my children to and hold it for the remainder of my children the children of a deceased child to represent the Parent upon the foregoing conditions and trusts.

Tenthly In case all my children should die before arriving at age or marriage I direct the said Trustees to divide all my estate in their hands into two equal parts and to convey one of said parts to my half brother William Fraser of Dublin in Ireland and the other of the said parts to the Savannah Poor House and Hospital in the City of Savannah.

Eleventhly I direct that portion of my estate which may remain undivided in the hands of my Executors for the payment of the Annuities hereinbefore bequeathed to be subject whenever those annuities shall respectively determine by the death of the persons entitled to them to the same division uses trusts and conveyances hereinbefore set forth and charged upon the remainder of my estate.

Lastly I do hereby Nominate and appoint James Peckham and Richard S. Gibson Executors of this my last Will and Testament and Trustees for the uses and purposes herein contained.

In Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this Twenty sixth day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty nine Signed Sealed Published and Declared by the testator to be his last will and testament in the presence of us who in his presence at his request and in the presence of each other have hereunto set our names as Witnesses

William Warner
William R. Ritchard
J. S. Barnard

E. P. Richardson (LS)

State of Georgia
Chatham County

Court of Ordinary Chatham County
March Term 1852

Present John M. Miller Esq. Ordinary for the County of Chatham
Personally appeared William Warner a subscribing witness to the annexed Instrument of writing purporting to be the last will and testament of E. P. Richardson late of Chatham County deceased who being duly sworn deposed and saith that he was present and did see the said instrument of writing duly executed by the said E. P. Richardson And deponent further saith that the said E. P. Richardson at the time of executing the said Instrument of writing was to the best of deponent's knowledge and belief of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding and that the said Wm. Warner (the deponent) and Wm. R. Ritchard and J. S. Barnard in the presence

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presence of each other and of the said G. P. Richardson and at his request depose their names as witnesses to the due execution of the same.

Sworn to before me in open Court
this first day of March 1852

John M. Miller

Ordinary Chatham County.

Wm Warner

You James P. Bowen and Richard J. Gibson do solemnly swear that this writing contains the true last will of the within named Cosme P. Richardson deceased so far as you know or believe, and that you will well and truly execute the same by paying first the debts and then the legacies contained in the said Will as far as his goods and chattels will therewith extend and the law charge you; and that you will make a true and perfect Inventory of all such goods and chattels so help you God.

Sworn to before me in open Court

this first day of March 1852

John M. Miller

G. C. C.

James P. Bowen

R. J. Gibson

Whereas I, Cosme P. Richardson of the City of Savannah have by my last Will and Testament in writing duly executed bearing date the twenty sixth day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty nine given and bequeathed to James P. Bowen and Richard J. Gibson Executors of my said last will certain of my Slaves in Trust to send them or such of them who may elect to go, to Liberia in Africa.

Now I the said Cosme P. Richardson being desirous of altering my said will in respect to the said bequest to my said Executors in manner and form as the same is expressed in the fifth clause of my said will do therefore make this present writing which I will and direct to be annexed as a Codicil to my said will and taken as a part thereof and I do hereby revoke the said bequest to said Executors in manner as the same is expressed in the said fifth clause of my said Will.

And I do hereby give and bequeath the said slaves referred to in the said fifth clause of my said will to my said Executors to have and to hold the same upon the above conditions and trusts and to dispose of the same in the same manner as they are empowered to do by my said will in regard to the ^{estate} residue of my estate.

And I hereby ratify and confirm my said will in

everything

everything except wherein the same is hereby revoked and altered as aforesaid

In Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this day of in the year eighteen hundred and forty nine.

Signed, Sealed, Declared and Published
by the aforesaid C. P. Richardson as
the Codicil to his last will and testament
of the twenty sixth day of July in the year
eighteen hundred and forty nine in the presence
of us who at the special request of the said
testator and in his presence and in the
presence of each other have signed our
names here to as witnesses this Twenty seventh
day of July eighteen hundred and forty nine
Charles E Maxwell
William Warner
Francis S Bartow

C. P. Richardson (Dd)

State of Georgia } Court of Ordinary for Chatham County
Chatham County } March Term 1852
Present: John M. Miller Esq Ordinary for
the County of Chatham.

Personally appeared William Warner a
subscribing witness to the annexed instrument of writing
purporting to be ~~the~~ a codicil to the last will and testament
of C. P. Richardson late of Chatham County deceased who
being duly sworn deposed and saith that he was present
and did see the said instrument of writing duly executed
by the said C. P. Richardson And deponeth further saith that
the said C. P. Richardson at the time of executing the said
instrument of writing was to the best of deponents knowledge
and belief of sound and disposing mind memory and -
understanding and that he the said W^m Warner (deponent)
and Charles E Maxwell and Francis S Bartow in the presence
of each other and of the said C. P. Richardson and at his
request signed their names as witnesses to the due execution
of the same. Sworn to in open Court this first day of March 1852 John M. Miller Ordinary Chatham County W^m Warner

You James P. Scriven and Richard J. Sabam do solemnly
swear that this writing contains a codicil to the true last
will of the within named C. P. Richardson deceased so far
as you know or believe: and that you will well and truly
execute the same by paying first the debts and then the
legacies contained in the said will and the codicils belonging
or annexed thereto as far as the goods and chattels will
thereunto extend and the law charge you and that you will
make a true and perfect Inventory of all such goods and
chattels So Help you God.
Sworn to before me this first day of March 1852
John M. Miller C.C.C.
James P. Scriven
Richard J. Sabam

To all men present I, C. P. Richardson of the City of Savannah County of Chatham State of Georgia being desirous of changing one or two devises in my will now in possession of my dear friend & I Wilson Esq I therefore make and publish this Codicil to said will.

Codicil 1st As my wife I give to my wife the possession of my house and furniture - when my wife was made I lived in Broughton Street the property I now reside in is very valuable in continuing therefore the bequest as it stands in my will I do I fear injustice to the balance of the legates I therefore revoke that portion of my will and enjoin on my executors that so soon as the property on which I now reside can be disposed of for thirty thousand Dollars that the same be sold for the benefit of all the Family - it stands to reason that house and of 2000 dollars is too much - did I leave my family better off I would gladly leave this Codicil unmade.
Codicil 2nd In my will I leave so much a year to my mother and afterwards to my Aunt Sarah Wilson and also to my Aunt Mrs Richardson. Since then my mother has died I therefore revoke so much of my will as gave a certain amount to the survivor and now request that fifty pounds a year may be sent to her yearly.

I also revoke so much of will as gives my Aunt Martha Richardson six hundred a year and require my Executors to pay her three hundred Dollars a year during her life I would gladly have continued my bequests as they were but a review of my means and heavy debts require of me to curtail them and retrench.

Signed Sealed and Delivered

In presence of on this 25th December 1852

S. N. Harris
Payne Lovell
John D. Barnard

C. P. Richardson (LS)

State of Georgia }
Chatham County }

Court of Ordinary for Chatham County

March Term 1852

Present John M. Miller Esq Ordinary for the County of Chatham.

Personally appeared Payne Lovell a subscribing witness to the annexed instrument of writing purporting to be a codicil to the last will and testament of C. P. Richardson late of Chatham County deceased who being duly sworn deposes and saith that he was present and did see the said instrument of writing duly executed by the said C. P. Richardson. And deponent further saith that the said C. P. Richardson at the time of executing the said

Said

Said instrument of writing, was to the best of defendants knowledge and belief of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding, and that the said Payne Lovell (the defendant) and J. S. Harris and John D. Barnard in the presence of each other and of the said J. P. Richardson and at his request signed their names as witnesses to the due execution of the same.

Sworn to before me in open Court
this first day of March 1852

John M. Miller

Ordinary Chatham County

Payne Lovell

You James P. Screven and Richard J. Gibson do solemnly swear that this writing contains a codicil to the true last will of the within named James P. Richardson deceased so far as you know or believe: and that you will well and truly execute the same by paying first the debts and then the legacies contained in the said Will, as far as the goods and chattels will thereto extend and the law charge you; and that you will make a true and perfect inventory of all such goods and chattels. So Help You God.

Sworn to before me this first day
of March 1852

John M. Miller C. C. C.

James P. Screven

R. J. Gibson

Georgia

Chatham County

In the name of God! Amen! I James Harpe of the County and State aforesaid being weak in body but of sound disposing mind and memory do make and publish this my last will and testament hereby revoking and making null and void all other former wills by me made.

First I desire that my body should be entombed at the Church at White Bluff in the County of Chatham and a suitable monument to be erected over my remains; and I request my Executors to expend out of my Estate the sum of Two hundred and fifty Dollars for the purpose of placing a suitable fence around said Church yard at White Bluff. Secondly I desire that all my funeral expenses and expenses of my last sickness be paid.

Thirdly I give and bequeath unto my qualified Executor in Trust for the sole separate and exclusive use of Mrs Ann Hazel the wife of Joseph Hazel of Bamberg South Carolina