

Ordinary Office Jasper County

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State of Georgia, In the name of God amen  
Honor. County, I John Pickett of South Carolina  
Fairfield district (being weak of body, but of perfect  
memory): But knowing it is once appointed for all  
men to die do hereby make this my last will  
and testament in manner and form following:-  
First I recommend my soul to God who gave it  
hoping he will receive it in Paradise through the  
merits of Jesus Christ my redeemer in whose  
merits I trust. Secondly I wish my body to be  
buried in decent & Christian like manner, be-  
lieving believing it will rise again at the general  
resurrection. And as to my earthly substance  
that God has been pleased to bless me with I  
wish it to be given and divided in the following  
manner. I give Reuben B. Pickett three hundred  
dollars to be deducted out of a certain note of  
mine for a hundred and thirty five  
dollars, on condition he gives good security  
for the money and pays it when it fall due.  
Item I give and bequeath unto Robert L. Farrow  
one hundred dollars to be deducted out of hand  
amounting to about fourteen or fifteen hundred  
dollars on condition that he pays said note in  
less than two years. I give and bequeath unto  
Saxitus Safford fifty dollars to come out of the  
money he owes me for corn. Item I give and  
bequeath unto the eldest son James of John Templeton  
all the said John Templeton owes me for the rent  
of the land he lives on. I give and bequeath  
unto Thomas Pearson fifty bushels of corn to be  
deducted out of the corn he owes me.

Item I give and bequeath unto Ephraim Withrow  
what he owes me for rent of land, and the use  
of fifteen acres of land already cleared for five years.  
It further is my will that all the balance  
of my estate both real and personal be sold

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memory, I am now knowing it is once appointed for all  
men to die do hereby make this my last will  
and testament in manner and form following:-  
First I recommend my soul to God who gave it  
hoping he will receive it in Paradise through the  
merits of Jesus Christ my redeemer in whose  
merits I trust. Secondly I wish my body to be  
buried in decent & Christian like manner, be-  
lieving believing it will rise again at the general  
resurrection. And as to my earthly substance  
that God has been pleased to bless me with I  
wish it to be given and divided in the following  
manner. I give Reuben B. Pickett three hundred  
dollars to be deducted out of a certain note of  
hand given for a hundred and thirty five  
bales Cotton, on condition he gives good security  
for the money and pays it when it fall due.  
Then I give and bequeath unto Robert L. Knowlton  
one hundred dollars to be deducted out of a note  
amounting to about fourteen or fifteen hundred  
dollars on condition that he pays said note in  
less than two years. I give and bequeath unto  
Saxtus Caffery fifty dollars to come out of the  
money he owes me for corn. Then I give and  
bequeath unto the eldest son James of John Templeton  
all the saw John Templeton owes me for the rent  
of the land he lives on. I give and bequeath  
unto Thomas Benson fifty bushels of corn to be  
deducted out of the corn he owes me.

Then I give and bequeath unto Ephraim Withrow  
what he owes me for rent of land, and the use  
of fifteen acres of land already cleared for five years.  
It further is my will that all the balance  
of my estate both real and personal be kept  
together nearly as it is, until my lawful debts  
is paid, and then to be equally divided between  
my beloved wife Charlotte, and my two beloved

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Children James B. Pickett and Charlotte Pickett - But  
if either of them shall die without a lawful begetting  
issue, leaving their part of the Estate to the survivors,  
immediately after their death.

Lastly I do hereby appoint my wife Charlotte, my  
son James B. Pickett and my worthy friend John  
Guntharp Esq. Executors and Executrix of this my  
last will and testament Given from under  
my hand and seal July 27<sup>th</sup> 1822

Witness

John Barry

Joseph Williams

Valentine Hodge

John Pickett Seal

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Court of Ordinary November Term 1822  
Jasper County Personally appeared in Open Court  
Joseph Williams, & after being duly sworn deposed and  
said that he was one of the subscribing witnesses  
to the last will and testament of John Pickett decd  
& that he saw Barry & Valentine Hodge the other two  
witnesses sign the same as witnesses & that he further  
saw the said John Pickett sign the same & acknowledge  
that it was his will and testament. Sworn to in  
Open Court this 4<sup>th</sup> day of November 1822

John L. Gibson C. C. O.  
Recorded 8<sup>th</sup> Novr 1822.

Joseph Williams -