

17
knowing and that Thomas Baker and John Sheppard
with the Deponent subscribed their names as witnesses
to the foreman of the said Deponent and on the
10th day of June before me this 3rd day of April
1800 I saw them and they were then 30 years of age
and I saw them and they were then 30 years of age
and I saw them and they were then 30 years of age

Georgia } Personally appeared the County of Liberty
Liberty County } and said that he was present & saw the within
named Deponent sign & deliver the within will & testament
pursuant to the provisions and further that the said Deponent
was to the best of his knowledge & belief of sound
mind & memory at the execution thereof & that Thomas
Baker & John Sheppard together with the Deponent
had subscribed their names as witnesses

In presence of
Thomas Moore

Henry Wood

Witness

Liberty County

State of Georgia

In the name of God Amen, the County

will day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand
seven hundred and eighty four and of the sovereign independence
of America the sixth I John Lambart of Liberty County a State
apostle, having in my body but (blessed be God) of
sound and disposing mind & memory, considering the uncertainty
of life, and the certainty of death, do therefore make and ordain
this my last will and testament, and hereby revoke and annul
all former and other wills and testaments by me at any heretofore

made, or declared and do declare and confirm this to be my
last will and testament. I recommend my soul to the hands of God who gave it, in the
most and merciful of Jesus Christ my blessed Saviour and
Redeemer, in whom I rely for the pardon and forgiveness of all
my sins and offenses, and for eternal life and salvation, and my
body at death to be interred in a decent Christian manner
at the discretion of my executors herein after mentioned
First, I will & desire that all my just debts and funeral ex-
penses shall be paid and discharged

Then I give and bequeath unto the Reverend Mr. Goring and
the Reverend Mr. Henderson of South Carolina the sum
of fifty pounds sterling to be paid to each of them
as soon as it can be conveniently raised from the income
of my estate to them and their heirs for ever

Then I give unto Mr. Joseph Landon my slave & which
they will and desire is that Mr. Joseph Beer bond due me to give
up to him and cancelled, and also Mr. James Chism, not due me
the same

Then I give and bequeath to the Church and Society of Methodists to be
bought as soon as may be, one silver tankard and two communion
cups for the use of said Church

Then I give and bequeath unto my good friend the Rev. Mr.
Charles D. Simpson my two most expensive that are in Carolina
he paying the expenses attending the getting them home, having
had late advice from Mr. Landon respecting them, also
I give unto the said Charles D. Simpson my little flock of
cattle I left upon his plantation consisting of six or
eight head more or less to him & his heirs forever.

My will and desire is that my estate be kept together
 & the yearly income to be applied to any religious
 or good purposes at the discretion of my executors
 trustees either for the support of the Gospel in
 each part of this State for the relief of the poor
 and distressed or otherwise any pious and good purpose
 may be answered in the church and society or any
 other that may be erected For the carrying on
 and adjusting the intended Academy in Savannah or
 promoting of any publick schools or seminary of
 learning the bringing up of orphans & the like
 And my estate being in debt I leave it to the discre-
 tion of my executors to sell any part thereof real or per-
 sonal for the clearing of the same if it cannot con-
 veniently be wrought out

My Will and Desire is that the fellow Tommy be
 continued longer while he behaves well may be
 allowed the privilege of raising a few hogs among
 the rest or be found some meat and something dispo-
 nible in clothes or a few guineas for annuities
 to merit and the rest of my slaves to be treated with as
 much lenity as may be consistent with reasonable ex-
 ercise and for their more comfortable living my will

is that as soon as may be a small stock of cattle be bought
 and also that if it can be obtained they may have mag-
 nificent rice again two or three times a year and besides good
 clothing in the winter that they also have summer
 clothes of equal value as the late and I recommend that
 the churches for the time being may visit them occasion-
 ally and give them some spiritual advice

Lastly I hereby nominate constitute and appoint
 my friends the Revd Abel Holmes John Elliott Geo.
 John Deane Thomas Sumner William Lawton and
 Thomas Baker my executors and trustees for the pur-
 poses within mentioned and in case of the decease
 or removal of any so that they cannot or will not
 act then it shall be in the power of the survivors or
 majority of them to elect others ^{and I hereby constitute} to ^{and I hereby} ^{and I hereby}
 fully gear and grant unto my said executors & tra-
 stees full power and authority to act and do as they
 shall judge will most conduce to answer the end and
 design of this my will. In Witness whereof I the
 said John Lambert, do this my last will and testament
 have set my hand & seal the day & year first above
 written

John Lambert (11)

Shewed, published, and declared by M^r John

Lambert to be his last will & testament in presence
of us, at whose request we have hereunto set our names
as witnesses

N.B. the words interlined, viz, and it is my will that
others be elected to fill up such vacancy, was done
before the witnessing of said will.

There need not be an election on the first vacancy
till the second as the number does not so well answer the
preference of a majority & this before the witnessing
of the will also.

James Girardeau

Wm Baker

John Andrew

State of Georgia

Personally appeared before me Tho-
mas Baker register of probate for the county of Liberty
in the state aforesaid, William Baker, who being duly sworn
saith that he did see the abovenamed testator John Lam-
bert sign seal and declare this instrument of writing
to be his last will and testament, that he the said Wil-
liam Baker and James Girardeau and John Andrew
did each of them at his request, and in his presence
and in the presence of each other subscribe their names as
witnesses thereto.

Wm Baker

Sworn this 22^d day of Jan^y

1787 before me

Thomas Baker R. P. C. L.

Recorded April 24th 1787

Chas. C. C.