

Richmond Co., GA Will Book A (1777-1798)
LWT Samuel Johnston

Carried for me

My dear wife I have given you my last will and testament and now I do hereby give and bequeath unto you all my estate and possessions of whatsoever kind I may possess by all means of which I most humbly beseech my God to reward me for my higher knowlidge his most gracious acceptance of it through the all sufficient merits and considerations of my most benevolent redeemer Jesus Christ who gave him self to be an atonement for my sins and is able to save to the uttermost all that come to God by him seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them and who I trust well not reject me a ne-
turning penitent sinner when I come to him for mercy this hope and confidence filleth my soul with confidence humbly beseeching the most blessed and glorious Trinity one God most Holy most Merciful and Glorious to prepare me for the time of my dissolution and then to take me to him self into that place
and rest and incomparable felicity which he has prepared for all those that love and fear his Holy Name Amen Blessed be God I give my body to the earth from whence it was taken in full appearance of its resurrection from thence at the last day as for my burial I desire it may be decent with out pomp or state at the discretion of my dear wife and executors hereafter named who I doubt not will manage it with all requisite prudence unto my worldly estate I will and positively order that all my lawful debts be paid —
and I give to my dear and loving wife the plantation on which she has living life for the support of her and the child under age or continues unmarried with one half of the personal estate and after her death in the manner likewise I live and bequeath unto my wife her son Alexander Johnston and Daniel Johnston five hundred pounds to be raised and levied out of my whole estate in equal parts unto my well beloved children Oliver Johnston Cornelius Johnston Jacob Johnston Sarah Johnston and Mary Johnston all the remainder of my estate to be equally divided between

between Olly, Nelly & myself and my
son John who gave unto my son Alexander one half
Jacob, and John and Daughters Olly, Nelly, Jacob and
what remains due to me of the estate of Cornelius McCar-

The rest to be equally divided by the End of my life
I do also Constitute and appoint Olly Johnston my
Wife and Matthew Harris my trusty friend and Alexander
Johnston my son as Executrix to this my last Will and
Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set
my hand and seal the Twelfth day of October in the
year of our Lord one Thousand Seven hundred and eight
Seven -

Signed Sealed and } Samuel Johnstone
Delivered in presence } his mark

John Kelly
David Tomlinson } his mark
Henry Maybury }

The above last will and Testament of Samuel Johnstone
was properly proved before me the 16th day of July 1789
at the same time Olly Johnston and Alexander Johnstone
qualified before me as Executrix and Executor

Lewis Gardner A. D. 1789