

In the Name of God Amen. the day of November one thousand
Eight hundred and seventy Six. I Richard Williams of South Carolina
being very sick and near in body but of perfect mind and memory
thinkings begin unto God for his mercy and calling to mind the Mortality
of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to
die. do make and Ordain this my last Will and Testament that
is to say principally and first of all I give and becomend my
Soul in to the hands of God that good it and for my body I
recomend it to the Earth to be buried in a Christian Buriall and
decent Manner at the disposition of my Executors Nothing doubting
but at the general resurrection I shall receive it to come
again by the mighty power of God and as Touching such
Mortaly Estate wherein it hath pleased God to bless
me with in this life I give devise and dispose of the same
in manner and form following, that is to say

First I give to my dearly beloved wife Lydia Williams one Negro
Man named Jacob likewise one horse bridled and saddled and
six head of Cattle one feather bed and furniture one Negro woman
named Amy given to her for her service Eight plates one dozen
of spoons and likewise one Negro girl and after her death to
my beloved Joshua daughter

Second I give to my loving Cousin Joshua daughter the plantation
whereon I now dwell with three hundred acres of land also a
piece of Mill and after my just debts and funeral charges the
summe part of my estate to be equally divided betwixt my
loving wife and Joshua daughter I give it to him and his heirs
forever Also a parcel of land whereon William Higgin
now lives containing one hundred and fifty acres more or
less I leave that after my death to be sold to pay out of my
Estate as shall be required

like wise I do make Ordain my loving wife and beloved
daughter my only sole Executors of this my last Will and Testament
and do hereby utterly disallow revoke and annul
disannul Every former Testament Wills and Legacies
Bequests and Grants by me in any way before this
Time made Willed and bequest ratifying and
Confirming this and no other to be my last Will and Testament
In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and

Seal the day and year above Written

Richard Williams

Signed sealed published pronounced
declared as by his last Will and Testament
in the presence of us the undersigned
Witnesses. Samuel Birdsong
Deputy Clerk of the Court
John

Richard Williams his Will proved April Court 1774
Ordered that letters Testamentary be given agreeable to said Will

In the Name of God Amen.

I Robert Williams of the County of the County of Surin
in the State of North Carolina being advanced in life but of
perfect sound disposing mind and memory and recollecting
the uncertainty of this life do make this my last Will and
Testament in manner following first I must everlastingly
recomend my Soul to Almighty God hoping for his favor through
the merits of Jesus Christ and as my departing my body to be
decently buried at the discretion of my Executor hereinafter
named Next I give and bequest unto my beloved wife
Mary Williams my Negro woman below and my Negro woman
Manning to be and her heirs forever. my Will and desire is
also that my wife Mary Williams do continue on my plantation
where I now live and have the use of it together with use
of my Negroes that is not killed and given away or that
shall remain from time to time not divided off. and
the rest of my movable property that I have on this plantation
and all the provisions that I leave and my stock for
the use and purpose of raising and showing my youngest
Child until during her natural life or maidenhood and if
she should marry then she is to be no longer possessor
of any of my property excepting the two Negroes that I
have just above named and given to her and her heirs forever
and furniture and a good horse and saddle
Next I give and bequest to my Son Francis Williams my
Negro man David to him and his heirs forever