

WILL OF

BENJAMIN WALLER

God

In the Name of / Amen, I Benjamin Waller of Abbeville

District & State of South Carolina, being Weak in Body  
but of sound mind & Memory & being sensible of the Decay  
of Mortality, do make & Ordain my will and Testament in  
form Following-----

Impremis, I commend my soul to God that gave it Hoping  
for Redemption thro the Merits of Jesus Christ & as to my  
body I desire it may be Inter'd in Such Christian like  
manner as my Executors here after mentioned shall direct--

Item I give unto my wife Joanna none Negro Woman Rachel  
& her youngest Child Willis. I also Give unto my said wife  
Joanna. the following Negroes, upon Condition that she does  
Relinquish her Right to her thirds or ~~one third~~ of my Estate--

( TO Wit) Fielding, ~~Amatead~~ Cloe. & Garrett-- Item I  
give & bequeath unto my Oldest Daughter Betsy Thompson  
Waller my Negro boy Samson to her & her Heirs for ever--  
my Negro boy  
Item I give unto my daughter Matilda Ja lez, Jacob to her  
& her Heirs for ever. Item I give unto my son John Harvey

Waller my Negro Woman Clara & her youngest Child Jack to  
him and His Heirs for ever- Item I give unto my son Guil-

ford Waller my Negro woman Sukey & her youngest Child Pro-  
silla----- Item I give & bequeath unto my Daughter Hulda

Waller my Negro boy Levy to her and her Heirs for ever--

Item, I give unto the Child my wife is now pregnant with-  
my Negro Girl Moriah & Agga, (to him or her) & their Heirs  
forever- Item- In Case my wife shoud agree to the be-

fore mentioned Condition- I give unto wife Two Good Feather  
Beds & Furniture, and my Cubboard & Cubboard Furniture  
Glasses only Excepted--also Two Iron Pots a large & Small  
one, & a Dutch Oven & a <sup>small</sup> Kettle Will be 1787 or 1815 fire Dogs Topps

for Redemption thro the Merits of Jesus Christ & as to my body I desire it may be Inter'd in Such Christian like manner as my Executors here after mentioned shall direct-- Item I give unto my wife Joanna none Negro woman Rachel & her youngest Child Willie. I also Give unto my said wife Joanna. the following Negroes, upon Condition that she does relinquish her Right to her third or ~~fourth~~ of my Estate-- ( TO Wit) Fielding, instead Cleo. & Garrett-- Item I give & bequeath unto my Client Daughter Betsy Thompson Waller my Negro boy Samson to her & her Heirs for ever-- my Negro boy Item I give unto my daughter Matilda Waller Jacob to her & her Heirs for ever. Item I give unto my son John Harvey Waller my Negro Woman Clara & her youngest Child Jack to him and His Heirs for ever- Item I give unto my son Guilford Waller my Negro woman Sukey & her youngest Child Presilla----- Item I give & bequeath unto my Daughter Hulda Waller my Negro boy Harry to her and her Heirs for ever-- Item, I give unto the Child my wife is now pregnant with my Negro Girl Moriah & Agga, (to him or her) & their Heirs forever- Item- In Case my wife shoud agree to the before mentioned Condition- I give unto wife Two Good Feather Beds & Furniture, and my Cubboard & Cubboard Furniture Glasses only Excepted--also Two Iron Pots a large & Small one, & a Dutch Oven & Pot Hooks one pair of Fire Dogs Tonggs & Shovel- Item, it is my will & Desire that Each of my Children as they come of age or Harry should have one Good Feather Bed & Furniture- with what is before Given- Item is my will & Desire that all my Children Shoud Remain with their Mother During her widowhood, & the minority of the shop Children & that she shoud have the Guardianship of them- but

in Case she should marry again, my Children is then to be in the Care of my Executors Hereafter Mentioned- & In case one of my Children Should die leaving no lawfull Issue, it is my will & Desire that their part or parts if more than one should also leaving no lawfull Issue for theif parts to be Equally Devided amongst my Surviving Children or their Lawfull Representatives( Item ) It is my will & Desire that after my Just Rights are paid, that all my Estate Real & personal not Heretofore bequeathed to my Wife " Children should be Sold on a Credit of Twelve Months & the money arising therefrom to be Equally Devided amongst all Children Each one to take his portion as he or she comes of age- or marries- Item, I also, nominate and appoint my beloved wife Joanna Waller my Executrix during her widowhood. I also appoint my friends James Watson Nathan Lippard & Abraham Marshal Executors of this my first will & Testament- and revoking all other will or wills by me Heretofore made Declaring this to my last will & Testament. In Witness Whereof I have hereunto Set my hand & seal this first day of March in the year of our lord one thousand Eight Hundred & four

Benj Waller ((T.S.))

Acknowledgment

In presence of

Joseph Wardlaw

Ann Conner

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William X Meeks This hand  
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