

WILL OF

CORNELIUS BROWN

In the Name of God Amen : Cornelius Brown of Abbeville County & State of South Carolina being weak in body but of sound memory--blessed be God, Do this thirty first Day of October in the year one Thousand Seven hundred & ninety two, Revoke & make Void all former Wills gifts & grants or any Testrument of Writing Thatsoever that any person may have to lay Claim to any part of my estate that I have not Rec.^d Value for,--& I Do now make & publish this my last will & testament in manner following; (that is to say) first I give & bequeath to my Nephew Peter Brown all that Missuage or tract of Land Containing one hundred & fifty Acres Near W.^m Pettegrews also two hundred acres Near Andrew Englishes Also one hundred the Narrows of Bull Swamp, Also I give one Negro man Named Prince one Negro man named Lem one Negro man named Will, one Negro Man Named Bill, Also I give one Negro Woman Named Moll, one Negro Woman--Named Phillis & their Increase, the Above Land & Negroes to be the s.^d Peter Browns During his Natural Life & after his Decease I give the same to his Lawful begotten Heirs to be equally Divided--& also I allow my Nephew Peter Brown to have the plantation I now live on & the Negroes hereafter Named that I give to Cornelius Brown Williams (my grandson) he the s.^d Peter Brown paying--twenty pounds Sterling Rent P.^r year for s.^d Land & negroes, untill s.^d Cornelius , B, Williams shall arrive to the age of twenty-one Also I give & bequeath to the s.^d Peter Browns oldest Daughter Sarah Brown one Negro Woman Named Sue; & her Child pegg, & their Increase During her natural Life & after her Decease I give the Same to her Lawful Heirs to be equally Devided, I also give to the s.^d Peter Browns Son James Brown one Negroe man Named Andrew, & one Negroe woman girl named Sarah & her Increase During his Natural Life & also

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Peter Browns Step Daughter Delilah one Negro girl Jenny & her in-
crease During her Natural Life & after her Decease I give the same
to her Lawful Heirs to be eaually Devided--I also give Peter
Browns, Step Daughter Elizabeth one Negro girl Molly, During her
Natural Life & after her Decease I give the Same to her Lawful
Heirs to be eaually Devided--the Above named Negroe Andrew,
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the s.^d Peter Brown is to have for his profit & to cloath & maintain s.^d Negroes & increase untill s.^d James Brown is twenty one years of age & the s.^d girls as each of them arrive to the age of Eighteen, but if the s.^d Peter Brown should die before the above named children should come of age the above mentioned land & Negroes that belongs to the children aff. s. is to be returned into the care & possession of the Executors hereafter named for the use of s.^d Heirs, I also give & bequeath all that message or furniture whereon I now live, to my Grand-son Cornelius, Brown Williams to hold him during his Natural life & after his Decease I give the same to his Lawful Heirs to be equally Divided, I also give to the s.^d Cornelius, B. Williams one Negro woman named & Hannah & Betty, & two Negro boys for the increase of s. Winches during his Natural life & after his Decease I give the same to his Lawful Heirs to be equally Divided, & I also will & order that all the Remainder of my moveable estate be put to publick sale at a Reasonable Credit & all the money arising therefrom & all the Bonds or money remaining after my Decease after paying my Lawful Debts & Necessary Expenses I will order that my Exr.^s do Lay out the same in Cloathing Supporting & Schooling the aff. s. Cornelius, B. Williams or as much of s.^d money as my after named Exr.^s at their Discretion shall think necessary on it being on the good Behavior of s.^d Cornelius, B. Williams if my after named Exr.^s shall think proper & s.^d Cornelius, B. Williams shall appear Capable of Learning the Language he is to be put to school to learn the same but if the s.^d Cornelius, B. Williams should die before s.^d money be expended I give the same to the Lawful Heirs of the s.^d Peter Brown to be equally Divided--& I make & ordain my Nephew, Peter Brown, & also my

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ful Heirs of the s. Peter Brown to be equally Divided--& I make
& ordain my Nephew, Peter Brown, & also my trusty friend, Robert
Allan, W. McKinley & W. Hutton my Lawful Exr. of this my Last
Will & testament in Witness Whereof I the s. Cornelius Brown have
hereunto Set my hand & Seal the Day & year above written Signed
Sealed & Delivered by the s. Cornelius Brown as & for his Last
Will & testament in the presence of us who were present at the
Signing & sealing thereof-----

James Bynum---

Peter Thompson

MEMORANDUM Made this First Day of April in the Year of our Lord
one thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety three Be it known to all
men by these presents that I Cornelius Brown, Taylor, have made and
declared my last will & Testament in writing bearing date the
thirty first day of October in the year of our thousand Seven Hun-
dred & Ninety Two, I the Said Cornelius Brown by this present Cod-
icil do Ratify and Confirm my last will and Testament Except such
Reductions as shall hereafter be made and I do further give and be-
queath unto my beloved wife Sarah Brown her full share of my afore-
said Estate as the Law directs to be paid unto my said wife &
my Executors out of my Estate And my will and meaning is that this
Codicil is to be adjudged to be a part and Parcel of my last will
and Testament and ~~the~~ the above share that I gave to my afore
said wife is to be Reducted out of they afore mentioned Shares in
proportion to the Value of the property mentioned in the afore
said will Viz Peter Brown my Nephew, Peter Brown's eldest daughter
Sarrah Brown Peter Brown's son James Brown Peter Brown's, Step
daughter Celilla Peter Brown's Step daughter Elizabeth my Grand son
Cornelius Brown Williams I do further give my Nephew Robert Brown
one Cow and Calf to be Reducted as above mentioned and that all
things above mentioned and contained be faithfully and trusty
performed and as fully and truly in every respect as if the same
were so declared and set down in my last and Testament-----

Witness my hand and seal the date above mentioned

COR: BROWN (SEAL)

Signed in the Presence
of us-----
Nath Wilson
Gibeon Sutherland
William Jamison

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John Bowie, J. C.