

WILL OF

JOHN DAVENPORT

In the name of God the Father & Son & Holy Ghost of the County of
Abbeville and State of South Carolina Planter being sick of body
but of sound mind and memory doth make and ordain this my last
will and Testament in the maner and form following (viz) First it
is my will and desier that all my just debts be paid together
with my funirel expences and after my debts andfunerel expences
are paid I devise and bequeath the remaingd^t of my estate as
followeth Imprimise I lend unto my dearly beloved wife Susannah
Davenport dureing her natural life three negroes named Joe, Cary
and Cate together with my household furniture plantation tools
stock of Negroes cows and hoggs, item I give and bequeath unto my
~~son~~ Charles Davenport and Richard Davenport my land to be
equally devided betwen them and it is my will that my wife should
live on use and occupy the part of my land that may fall to the
lot of Richard dureing her life or widowhood . Item I give and
bequeath unto my son Charles Davenport two negroes Nelson and
Anny together with my part of a legacy that is coming from my
Fathers estate in Virginian to him and his heirs forever. Item
I give and bequeath to my son Richard Davenport two negroes
Hannah and Harry to him and his heirs for ever. Item I give and
bequeath unto my Daughter Peggy Davenport two negroes John and
Franken to her & her heirs for ever. Item I give and bequeath
to my Daughter Patey Davenport two negroes will and Lindy , to
her and her heirs forever. Item it is my will and desier that
that my estate be kept together and profits arising therefrom to
be employed to the board Schooling & cloathing of m said four
children Charles Peggy Patey and Richard without being any expens
to them or any deduction from their legacy and if there should be
any over plus the money arising therefrom to be put to intreast
for the use of all my Children before m death Item I give my will

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for the use of all my Children before named---Item it is my will
and desier that should either or both of my Daughters marry before
my son Charles arrives to twenty one years of age that they may
have their proportion at the time of marige but if either of my
Children should happen to die before they should arrive to the age
of twenty one years or have lawful issue my will is that their
part of my estate shall revert back and be equally devided

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among my surviving children except my land which shall remain with my , but in case both my sons should die before they are twenty one years of age the same shall revert to my Daughters or their legal representatives-- Item at the death of my wife my will is that the whole of the estate that I have lent her with the increase to be equally divided between my four children namely Charles Peggy Patey & Richard or their legal Representatives . It is also my desire that when both of my sons or either of them arrives to eighteen years that they be furnished with a Horse saddle and bridle to the value of eighty Dollars each out of the profits of my estate and my Daughters when they marry with two cows & calves and a feather bed and furniture. Lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my Brother Charles Davenport my trusty and well beloved friends, John Arnold, George Connor and John Connor my executors of this my last will and testament hereby revoking all other wills gifts, legacies or bequests what soever decreeing this and this alone to be my last will and testament. In Witness hereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this twenty seventh day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety eight and of the independency of the United States of North America the twenty second --In presence of us

John Davenport (Seal)

James Pettus

William P. Arnold

John P. Arnold

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John Bowie C.C.