

In the name of God Amen I John Strain of Abbeville County State  
 of So. Carolina being thru the great Mercy of almighty God in the  
 proper exercise of reason tho weak in body & apparently near  
 the Grave Do this 26th day of Jan 1798 make & ordain this my  
 last will & Testament as follows-- first my Soul I commit to  
 God who gave it and my body to the dust in hope of a glorious  
 Resurrection at the last day-- And as to the good things which  
 God has given me in this world I distribute them as follows Viz--  
 To my belove wif I give the Negro Girl Sarah to be hers during  
 her life & at her death said Negro Sarah is to go to my Son  
 John & it is my will that all her prosterity if any she should  
 have, be taught to read the Scriptures & be brought up in a  
 Christean Manner & be equally divided among my two Sons John  
 & James--

Pike & Haywards cases of Conscience & Willisons Sacramental  
 meditations I will to my wife-- my Bible & Marshall on Santifi-  
 cation --to John-- A large book Collection of Sermons & Newton  
 first ~~Letters~~ Letters to James

To my ~~wife~~ Jenny Stone I leave a spotted Cow with a young calf  
 The further distribution of my property Horses Cattle etc . I  
 leave to the prudence & discretion of my Exrs--

Lastly I do hereby appoint as the Executors of this my last will  
 & Testament my dear friend & Brethren David Strain & James Watt  
 -- In Testomoney whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed  
 my Seal the day & year above written

Signed Sealed Published & declared

in presence ~~of~~

Robert Wilson

John Strain (Seal)

Matthew Reed

Joseph Robinson

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