

WILL OF

~~JOSEPH STALSWORTH~~

In the name of God Amen I Joseph Stalsworth of the County of Abbeville & State of South Carolina being sick & weak yet blessed be God of sound mind & memory & sensible of the decay of mortality do make & ordain this my will & testament in form following-
Imprimis I commend my spirit into the hands of the blessed Jesus & as to my body I desire it should be interred in such decent manner as my Executrix & Executors hereafter mentioned shall direct - -

Item I desire that the debts due me be collected & that the debts I owe be first paid out of my Estate -

Item as the land that my ^{son in law} Son in law James Dial was bought by us in partnership containing Two hundred & fifty three acres whereon we now live & has not been divided between us I desire the same should be divided equally as he and I formerly agreed on

Item I lend unto my beloved wife Grace Stalsworth during her natural life my part of the tract of land aforesaid Also three negro's viz Primus Patty & her child Mary also the half of all the rest of my Estate not particularly otherwise deqeathed ^{except negroes}

Item I give & bequeath unto my Grandson ~~Hasting~~ Dial one negro Boy named Ned to him & his heirs forever

Item I give & bequeath unto my Grandson Joseph Stalsworth Dial one negro Boy named George to him & his heirs forever -

Item I lend unto my daughter Elizabeth Dial during her natural life all the rest of my Estate not before mentioned & at my wife's death all the Estate I lent her I also lend unto my said daughter Elizabeth during her natural life & at her decease I give & bequeath all my Estate lent as aforesaid to be equally divided among

all the children that my said daughter Elizabeth Dial now has or hereafter may have or their legal representatives to them &

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all the children that my said daughter Elizabeth Dial now has or
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their heirs forever & my desire is that the aforesaid division
should be made by commissioners to be appointed by Abbeville Court-

Lastly I nominate constitute & appoint my beloved Wife Grace
Stalsworth my Executrix during her widowhood I also appoint my
two brothers William & Thomas Stalsworth Executors of this my
last will & testament In witness whereof I have hereunto set my

hand & Seal this 19th day of July 1796. - Abbeville County Wills 1787-1815
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Acknowledged

Joseph Stalsworth (Seal)

In presence of

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