

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)

In the name of God Amen

Abbeville County)

I Mathew Bell being weak of

body and Present but of Present Mind and disposing memory

do make this my last Will and testament in the following

manner that is to say first of all I resign my Soul to God

who gave it and my Body I recommend to the Earth to be

Buried in a decent & Christian manner at the discretion of

my Executors and as to the worldly Estate wherewith it hath

Pleased God to to bless me with I dispose of in the follow-

ing manner that is to say first of I allow all my lawfull debts

to be payed out of my Estate Next I allow Elanor Bell my

Dearly Beloved wife my Plantation during her life & then to

be sold and equally Divided Between Mathew all my Child-

ren and all the Household furniture I leave to my beloved

wife and one one, Colt to my Daughter Elley and all the

Reminder of my Property to be sold to pay my debts and

one years schooling to my one James and the remainder to

be Divided Equally amongst them Lastly I appoint Alexander

Clark & James Hutchinson and William McGaw my Executors of

this my last will and Testament and I Do Revoke all others

But this given under my hand and Sale this Twinty fifth

Day of December one thousand Eight Hundred and three-

his

Mathew. Bell ((to l))

mark

Test

Samuel Hutchinson

Alex" Houston

Wm L. Wills

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