

WILL OF

THOMAS HAMILTON

In the Name of God Amen I Thomas Hamilton of the State of S^c
 Carrolina and of Ninty six Dist' being weak of Body but Sound
 Mind and memory Thanks be to God for all his mercys And now
 Calling to mind the Mortallity of the Body and that it is
 Appointed For all men to Die Do make Ordain and allow this to
 be my Last will And Testement Disallowing and Forbiding all
 Other wills and Testa ments hertofore By me made and first I
 give and recommend my Soul to God who gave it hoping in the
 Last Day I shall receive the Same By the Almighty power of God
 & his Glorly & my Body I Commit to the Earth to be Buried in a
 Christian and Decent ~~manner~~ at the Discretion of my Executors
 Which Shall be herafter Appointed And after paying ~~my~~ ^{all}
 Debts I do leave the remainder of What the Lord has Blessed me
 with In the manner following Viz- 1st I Do leave and Bequeath
 to my oldest son John Hamilton the plantation once Belonging to
 Ballinger & now in his Possession and Likewise that Track of Land
 Joining to M^r Beard which he once Sold To M^r Montgomery Likewise
 one Negro Boy Named Joe ^d 2^d Unto my Daughter ^{Margret} Hamilton I leave
 and Bequath the following plat of Land As it is here nominated wh
 Which I now live upon. Begining at the mouth of a Branch on the
 South Side of the Big hill And keeping up the West fork Till it
 Stricks a Cross Line laid out By John Pickens then turning
 westwarly Till it comes to the Corner by a Spring Called Welches
 Spring and from that Till Striks M^r Olivers Line And To take
 Along On the South Side of M^r Olivers Line till It Stricks the
 Bank of rocky river And from thence holding the Center of rocky
~~river~~ river Down to the Begining Corner - Thirdly I leave And
 Bequeath Unto my Dauthter Margeret Hamilton A Negro wench Named
 Jude and all my household furniture and ^{all} ~~Abbeyville County~~ ^{Wills} ~~1787~~ ¹⁸¹⁵

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ry And all the horse Creaturs And all the Neal Cattle and all the
Swine 4th I Leave and Bequeath all my real and personal property
not here Nominated To be Sold and pay my Lawfull Debts and the
Surples money to be Divided Equally Among my Legal heirs John
Hamilton Thomas Hamilton Saray Turner And Margret Ray Fifthly
that my Daughter Margret Hamilton may Dispose of Said Track of/
When and how She Pleases But Should She Die Possest of Said Track
of Land ~~without Law~~ Now willd to her without Any Lawfull Issue
Land

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in marriage that then Said Track of Land to Be Sold and twenty pound of the price of it ~~given~~ paid unto Hamilton Turner And the remainder to be Equally Divided Among the Letatees Sixthly I Bequeath that ~~My~~ My Negro boy named Morgan to Live with my Daughter Margret Till he is one and thirty years of Age And then To Be Set free - - - Lastly I Do allow ordain and Constitute John Hamilton David Pressly Jun^r and Margret Hamilton Exacaterex Executors To ~~take~~ this my Last will and Testament Forbiding Disallowing And Disanolling all former will and wills Testament And And Testaments Herto before made Allowing Constituting And Ordaining this to be my Last will And Testament And None Else - As Witness my Hand and Seal this first Day of November Anno Domini 1797 - - And in the twenty Second year of American Independance - -

Signed Sealed

his
Thomas X Hamilton
mark

Delivered & Published

In presence of Us

James Oliver

his

Fredrick X Stricklin

mark

his

James X M^o Cedy

mark

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