

# WILL OF

## WILLIAM BOWMAN

I William Bowman of Abbeville County and State of South Carolina being sick and weak, but of usual mind and memory calling to mind the Mortality of the body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die: do make and ordain this my last will and Testament: that is to say; I recommend my soul into the hand of God who give it & my body to the earth to be buried decently at the discretion of my Executors, touching such worldly goods as it hath pleased God to bless me with in this Life: I give and dispose of the same in the following manner and form--First I Leave and bequeath to my Grand-sons William Bowman and Samuel Moore Wardlaw all that Tract of Land or Plantation whereon I have formerly lived: and if my Daughter Law Jean Bowman may chuse to go there to live she is to have the benefit of said Plantation untill my Grand sons comes of age, or During her Widowhood and if any of my Grandsons die under age the other to possesse the whole of said Tract Tract of Land or Plantation.--The remainder of my Estate after my just debts are all paid I allow to be divided equally amongst my Children and Grand Children by & at the Discretion of my Executors.--And I do hereby ordain and appoint my friends Samuel Reid John Wardlaw Jun.<sup>r</sup> and Hugh Wardlaw Executors of this my Last Will and Testament: ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last Will and Testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this fourth Day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty nine--

W<sup>m</sup> BOWMAN (SEAL)

Signed sealed and Acknowledged

in the presants of us

Samuel Agnew

Alexander Reid

George Reid

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