

WILL OF

WILLIAM WEDGWORTH

In the Name of God Amen The Twenty Seventh day of April in the year of our Lord One Thousand seven hundred and ninety eight, I William Wedgworth of Abbeville County & State of South Carolina (Farmer) being very Sick and Weak in body but of perfect mind and memory, thanks be given unto God for the Same; and Calling to mind the Mortality of my 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 Principally and first of all I Give and recommend my Soul into the hands of God that gave it;

and for my body I recommend it to the Earth to be buried in a Christian like and decent manner at the discretion of my Executors. Nothing doubting, at the General Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty Power of God; and as touching such worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this life, I give Devise & dispose of the Same in manner and form following. That is to say

In the first place I Give and bequeath to Ester my dearly beloved wife, One third of my Personal Estate (Excepting what is hereafter Mentioned) to be at her disposal at her death, also to have her living during life on the Plantation I now live on Also I give unto my son William Two Hundred & fifty acres of Land Lying on the waters of the Salt Catchers, also one bed and furniture, Only William is to pay my Son James Ten pounds Sterling Money in Consideration of his part of said Land,----

Also I Give unto my Sons Joseph, Richard and John the Land & Plantation I now live on, for them to work & live on untill their mothers death and then divided as they think proper when the youngest heirs comes of age----

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Also I Give unto my son Joseph One Gray mare & Colt which he
now Claims and One Feather Bed & Furniture.

Also I Give unto my Daughter Jane One Brown bay Mare saddle
and bridle, One Feather bed & furniture & two cows & calves

Also I Give unto my Son Richard one bay horse called Buck

and Ten dollars in Money for the purpose of Purchasing a bed

Also I give unto My Son John One Grey Horse, Two Cows & Calves and One Feather bed & furniture at the death of my wife Only the Two last mentioned Horses to remain on the plantation during their Mothers life for the use of it----

Also I give James An Orphan Child living withme five pounds sterling for the purpose of Schooling him

Also the remainder of my Estate which is not already Willed I leave to be equally divided among all my Childred as they come of age-----

Lastly I Constitute and appoint my friends Joseph Matthis James Buchanan & My Son James Wedgworth my only I Sole Executors of this my last will and Testament and I do hereby utterly disallow, Revoke and disannul all and every other former Testaments, wills, and Legacies, Bequests & Executors by me in any ways before this time named, willed and bequeathed Ratifying & Confirming This and no other to be my last will and Testament In witness whersof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal the day & year xxix above written-----

Signed Sealed published pronounced and declared by the Said William Wedgworth as his last will & Testament in the presence of us the subscribers that is to say

Ze. Rice

John Irwin

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John Lumbus
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William Wedgworth
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John Bowie C.C.