

WILL OF

JOHN THOMPSON

South Carolina } In the name of ~~John Thompson~~  
Barwell District } of the District and State aforesaid Plant-

er, being Sick and weak in body, but of Sound and disposing  
mind, memory and understanding, thanks be to god for the Same,  
do make this my last Will and Testament in manner following:

Viz. I Will and desire that my Property both real and personal  
shall be Kept together for the Space of one whole year after  
my decease, and then to be divided as follows; I give and be-

queath to my dearly beloved Wife (Martha Thompson) my Negroe  
Wench Jude at present in the possession of Mr. Silas Stephen  
under a Mortgage to the Said Stephen for the Sum of One hun-

dred and Sixty Dollars, and One third part of my Land to her  
and her Heirs in fee Simple and the other Two Thirds of my  
Land I give and bequeath to my youngest Son John Josiah Thomp-

son and his Heirs. I also give and bequeath to my Daughter  
Margaret Harry in addition to what She formerly had, One Cow  
and Calf; Also I give and bequeath to my daughter Euphemy

Easter Thompson my Two Negroe Wenches Vilet and Mary and their  
future increase (except the first Child which may be had by  
Vilet). which first child by Vilet I hereby give and bequeath

to my Son Benjamin Thompson. I also give and bequeath to my  
aforesaid Daughter Euphemy Easter, One Horse, Saddle and bri-

dle; the horse to be of the Value of One hundred Dollars. I  
desire that my present Stock of Cattle and Hogs should be en-

joyed equally by my Wife and Children, and that they shall be  
Killed and used by them in Such manner as their prudence may  
dictate until a Separation of the Family and an equal equal  
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the amount of his Sale. to be equally divided between my aforesaid Sons Benjamin and John Josiah. I also desire that my Wife shall have the free use of a Horse Saddle & bridle at all convenient times during the year after my decease, and that she is to have a Horse Saddle & Bridle of the aforesaid Value of one hundred Dollars in Fee - Simple, whenever a Separation of the family takes place. I do further desire that the Horses and plantation Tools shall be Sold when a Separation of the family takes place, and the balance of the Money arising from the Sale of the Horses & plantation tools after furnishing each of the aforesaid Horses shall go ~~to~~ to my aforesaid Son John Josiah. I also desire that my Waggon shall be Sold at the Same time Joe is Sold, and the money received therefor, also to go in discharge of my Debts unless as before excepted, they should be paid by the Family. And I also give and bequeath to my aforesaid Wife Martha, all my Household and Kitchen furniture in Fee - Simple, except a Bed and furniture a piece to my aforesaid Children (except Mrs. Harry) who is not to be considered in this last bequest. And I do hereby nominate substitute and appoint my aforesaid Wife Martha, and my Daughter Sapheny Easter, Executrices of this my last Will and Testament

In Witness whereof I have herunto Set my hand and Seal, the Twenty Third day of August, in the year of Our Lord one thousand, eight hundred and Nine, And in the Thirty fourth Year of American Independence.

Signed, Sealed, declared & published  
by the above named John Thompson

John Thompson (SEAL)

as and for his last Will & Testament,

in the presence of us, who, at his request, in and for his presence, have subscribed

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our names as Witnesses thereto.

Jno. C. Allen

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Wm Stakhouse

Recorded January 12th, 1810.

Jno. Tobin

Orsamus D. Allen, Esq., Ordinary,  
Barnwell District.

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