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State of South Carolina } In the Name of God, Amen: I,
Catharine Miller of Charleston in the said State being of sound
and disposing mind and memory, but mindful of the uncertainty
of life and anxious to dispose of my worldly affairs do make ordain and
publish this as my last Will and Testament in manner and form
following that is to say. I enjoin my will and desire is that all
my just debts and funeral expenses be paid immediately after my de-
cease. I then I give devise and bequeath unto my son John C. Miller
of Charleston the Executor of my will the following negro slaves, to wit
Sarah and her four children Rose, Sue, Anthony and Charity; Peggy
and her two children Hannah and Ben; Sue (the sister of Sarah and
Peggy) and her children; with their future issue and increase, upon the
following trust to wit that as soon after my decease as practicable he cause
the said negro slaves to be valued and with a view to keeping the said
Slaves in my family, upon such valuation that he cause the said Slaves
to be divided and apportioned as follows, one third part of the said
Slaves to be set apart for my said son John C. Miller in behalf of him-
self and children; One third part for my son William Miller in behalf
of himself and children, and the remaining third part for my son James
A. Miller in behalf of himself and children, that the said division be so
made and the rights of the respective parties so adjusted, as to make the
said three shares as nearly as practicable of equal value, upon such divi-
sion of the said Slaves I hereby direct and empower my Executor the said
John C. Miller to

of himself and children, and the remaining third part for my son James
A Miller in behalf of himself and children, that the said division be so
made and the rights of the respective parties so adjusted, as to make the
said three shares as nearly as practicable of equal value, upon such divi-
sion of the said slaves I hereby direct and empower my Executor the said
John C Miller to convey to the said William Miller, the share or portion
of the said negro slaves so set apart in behalf of himself and children, in
trust to have and to hold the said slaves for and during the term of his nat-
ural life, for the sole and exclusive use of the child or children (if more
than one) of the said William and not to be subject to the debts or engage-
ments of the said William Miller and from and after the decease of the said
William, to the child or children (if more than one) of the said William his
and their heirs and assigns forever. I hereby also further direct and empower
my said Executor the said John C Miller upon the division of the
said slaves as above directed, to convey to the said James A Miller, the
share or portion of the said negro slaves which may be set apart in
behalf of him the said James A Miller & children, in trust to have and
to hold the said slaves for and during the term of his natural life for
the sole and exclusive use of the child or children (if more than one) of the
said James A Miller so as not to be subject to the debts or engagements of
him the said James A Miller and from and after the decease of the said
James, to the child or children (if more than one) of the said James his
and their heirs and assigns forever. And with regard to the said