

Letters of Guardianship to Nicholas Mathias, Margaret
and Mary Burnham. Granted to Charles Burnham

By His Excellency Robert Johnson Esq. Capt.
General Governor and Commander in Chief
in and over his Majesty's Province of
South Carolina and Ordinary of the same

To all to whom these presents shall come Greeting

Whereas Nicholas Mathias, Margaret and Mary
Burnham Infant Children of Charles Burnham
late of this Province deceased hath his day made humble
application to me that Charles Burnham their
Brother and one of this Province's Planters who hath
abided and that he may take unto him care the Charge
and management of the said Infant Children and their
Estate and may be appointed their Guardian therefore
for the better bearing of their Estate and for the more
careful maintenance and Education of the said
Infant Children out of the Confidence I repose in the
Wisdom and Integrity of you the said Charles Burnham
Do hereby Commit the said Guardianship and
Education of the said Infant Children to the said Charles
Burnham their brother according to their desire, hereby
charging him that he do maintain them in meat
and drinking, clothing and such good
Education as may be fitting according to the Commo-
n sense and Interest of the said Infant Children
during their minority and that the said Charles
Burnham do enquire into and take Care and Charge
of their Estate both real and personal and do all of
things as a Guardian by law might do and a true
and faithful account thereof and what Estate of the
said Nicholas Mathias, Margaret and Mary
Burnham shall come to your hands to render
when you shall be here required by such Guardian

shall be taken by the said Infant Children when
they shall arrive to the age of sixteen years and
I do hereby revoke all Letters of Guardianship heretofore
granted

Certified

Char. Hartwell year of his Majesty's reign

Given under my hand and seal this
two and twentieth day of December
Anne Dom. 1781 and in the fifth

Robert Johnson

Recorded the 4th Febry 1781
Char. Hartwell

The Last Will and Testament of William
Mildred. 553:

In the name of God Amen the tenth day of
August 1781 William Mildred of South Carolina
being sick and weak in body but of perfect mind
and memory thanks be given unto God Therefore
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 my Body I recommend to the
Earth to be buried in decent Christian burial at
the discretion of my Executors nothing doubting
but at the general Resurrection I shall receive
I become again by the mighty power of God and
as touching such Mortal Estate Wherein I
hath pleased God to bless me in this life I give
and dispose of the same in the following manner
and form

In primis After all my lawful debts is paid
I give and bequeath to Charles Hartwell my dear