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W.H.

In the name of God Amen, I John Porte a native of P. Domingo, now resident in Charleston, being weak and low in body of but of sound mind and memory, make this my last Will and Testament: It is my desire that the little worldly substance, that I am possessed of should be appropriated to the use of my two children Mary and Eliza, who are infants, of the age of six & four years, daughters of Rebecca a Slave of Thomas Lowndes Esquire. For this purpose I give all my money and goods to my Executors hereinafter named, also every thing that is due and owing to me and all that I am possessed of to be applied in purchasing the freedom of the said two children, and bringing them up in the world as well as circumstances will admit. And I appoint my friends John Frances and John Lee ~~Esquires~~ Executors of this will: and I request and entreat Thomas Lowndes Esquire and Mr. James L. Petigree to befriend my children, to assist my said Executors in the discharge of their duty, and to be the Guardians and overseers of this Will. I leave to Rebecca my childrens Mother, my Gold Watch in token of my remembrance - and of her care and fidelity. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand this second day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred and thirty four

John Porte

Signed published and declared by the Testator as and for his last Will and Testament in presence of us who in his presence have hereunto subscribed our names

L. Trapmann Charles P. Dawson Croshays Royall

Proved before Thomas Lehrs Just. C. L. D. on the fifth day of August

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T.B

18. 5.
44. 12. Charleston South Carolina. In the Name of God Amen, I, Margarett M. ~~Widow~~
of the City of Charleston Widow, being in health, and of sound disposing mind,
Memory and understanding, thanks be to God for the same, do make and declare
being desirous of settling my worldly concerns from the precariousness of life,
do make and declare this my last Will and Testament in manner and form
following, that is to say - I desire all my just Debts and funeral expences
be paid as soon as possible after my decease, and for that purpose, I do here-
by authorize my Executors herein after named to sell at private or public sale
any part of my property, that may appear most advisable to effect the
payment of any debts that may be lawful or obligatory on my Estate.
After the payment of my said Debts or funeral expences, I hereby direct that
after my death, the following Negroes viz: Harriot, Mary, Nancy, Margarett Char-
ley and Thomas with any future issue of the negro Women as may occur, shall
be held by my Executors, as bequeathed and in trust for my only Daughter Caro-
line Burk and her Children, in equal proportions and to be continued for
their support, until the youngest child become of age, when the parties may
choose their election in the division of the property in equal proportions between
the aforesaid Caroline and her Children then living, and in case of death of
any of the parties, the survivors shall be entitled to an equal proportion in such
case. - It is to be understood, that if from any cause, it may become neces-
sary to sell all or ~~any~~ either of the above negroes or their issue, that the
proceeds arising from such sale, shall under the direction of my Executors
be again vested in negroes, to fill the place of any part that may have been
sold, and if such can't be effected, to advantage then it shall without delay

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sold, and if such can't be effected, to advantage then it shall without delay
be placed in stocks of some of the Local Banks of this City, to be held as before
for the benefit of my said daughter Caroline and her children and subject
to the same restrictions as stated above. My object at this time being to secure
a continual support to my daughter and her children after my death, I there-
fore desire the property may be kept entire, to accomplish my wishes, until the
youngest of my Grand Children become of age, when the parties may then
conclude on the propriety of a division. With entire confidence in my friends
William H Gilliland and William Howie, I hereby appoint them my
Executors with a full conviction of their friendship for the parties. I also no-
minate them as trustees to my Daughter Caroline and her Children
making void all other writings to this effect, I have hereunto set my hand
and seal this fifteenth day of June in the year of our Lord One Thousand
Eight hundred and twenty six and declare this to be my last Will and
Testament

Margaret McLean (L.S.)
Signed sealed delivered and published by the Testator as and
for her last Will and Testament in the presence of us, who at her request
and in her presence have subscribed our names as Witnesses thereto.
Robert Eagar Samuel Kerbant John Magrath

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Prova before Thomas Lehn Just. O.C.T.D. on the thirteenth day of Au-
gust 1836 and on same day qualified William H Gilliland

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The last Will and Testament of William H Gilliland