

Joseph Danford Will of Sale to James Watt

South Carolina

Know all men by these Presents that I Joseph Danford and Margrett my wife of the Parish of Melina in the County of Gravit Labourer for and in Consideration of the Sum of One hundred & Fifty pounds Curr^t Money to us in Hand Paid by James Watt of the same Parish and County Gen^l whereof we hereby Acknowledge The receipt and we therewith fully Satisfied Have bargained & Delivered & by these Presents do bargain and sell And Deliver in Due form of Law unto the s^d James Watt His Executors Adm^{rs} & Assigns One Negro Boy Names Tom To Have and To hold the s^d Bargain promises unto the s^d James Watt His Ex^{rs} Administrators and Assigns to the only proper Use and behoof of the said James Watt his Ex^{rs} Adm^{rs} and Assigns for ever and we the said Joseph and Margrett Danford for our selves & Ex^{rs} Adm^{rs} & Assigns the s^d Bargain Promise unto the s^d James Watt his Ex^{rs} Adm^{rs} & Assigns Against All Persons shall and will Warrant and force Defend by these Presents and it is hereby covenanted & Agreed by and between the s^d Parties In Witness whereof we the s^d Joseph and Margret Danford have hereunto Set our Hand & Seal this Twentieth Day of Jan^y Anno Domini 1727⁸

Sealed & Delivered
in The Presence of

W^m Saxby Jun^r
Joseph Phipps

Joseph O Danford
mark

Margret M Danford
her mark

Received the Day and year within written of the within named James Watt the Consideration Money within mentioned I say
Received for me

Witness
W^m Saxby
Joseph Phipps

22 October 1729

Recorded

Joseph O Danford
mark

Margret M Danford
her mark

Charles Towne

October 20th 1729

Personally came and appeared before me Daniel Greene Esq one of his majestys Justices assigned To keep the Peace in Berkly County William Saxby Jun^r who being Duely Sworn Declares he saw the within named Joseph Danford and Margret his wife signe Seal and as their cast and Seel Delivers the within bill of Sale and Likewise that the within named Joseph Phipps was then present and that he saw him signe as A concurring Evidence

Daniel Greene

22 Oct 1729 Recorded

The Last Will & Testament of Mrs Sarah Barber

South Carolina

P.P.C.

In the Name of God Amen I Sarah Barber of Berkly County in the Province of South Carolina widow being of Sound and Perfect Mind and Memory pray be given to Almighty God for the same, but Considering the Uncertainty of Death and the Shortness of the time thereof do Make and Ordaine this my last will and Testament in manner and form following.

First I bequeath my soul into the Hands of Almighty God Hoping and Aspiring to obtain the Salvation of the same thro the alone Merits of Jesus Christ my Saviour, Saviour and Redeemer And my body I commit to the Earth to be decently Buried at the Discretion of my next of kin after mentioned Executors being in full and Certain hope of a Resurrection unto Eternal Life And for my Estate which it hath pleased God to bestow upon me in this World do Give and Dispose of the same as followeth.

Imprimis I Will that all my Just Debts and Funeral Expenses shall be paid and Discharged. Item I Give, Give and bequeath unto my son John Barber of the said Berkly County in the said Province of South Carolina planter and to his Heirs and Assigns for ever all my Lands in this Province of South Carolina belonging or owing to my said sons Lands in the said Province between his Settlement and Harbours Lands and all my Free Lands lying on that and lying East and South from the same with all the Houses, Tenements and Buildings on the said Lands or any of them standing and being or to the same or any part thereof belonging and appertaining And all the Lands Tenements and Hereditaments whatsoever that I shall hereafter have in the said Province of South Carolina or elsewhere or that I shall have any Right Title Interest or Claim to at the time of my Death to have and to hold the said Lands Tenements Hereditaments and all other the Premises with

their and wifes of their Appurtenances unto my said son John Parker and to his Heirs and assigned for ever To the only proper use and behoofe of the said John Parker his Heirs and assigns for ever.

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Grand Daughter Susannah Parker the Eldest Daughter of my said son John Parker One Negroe Wench called Venus with all her Furniture, also my Gold Chain Necklace, my Gold Ringe Watch and Gold Ringe Buckles, and also one Cow and one Calf To Have and to Hold all the above mentioned Particulars unto her the said Susannah Parker and to her Executors Administrors and assigns for ever.

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Grand Daughter Dorothy Parker the second Daughter of my said son John Parker One young Negroe Wench called Hannah and all her Furniture and one Cow and one Calf To Have and to Hold the same unto her the said Dorothy Parker and to her Executors Administrors and assigns for ever.

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Grand Daughter Mary Parker the third Daughter of my said son John Parker One young Negroe Wench called Dinna and all her Furniture and one Cow and one Calf To Have and to Hold the same unto her the said Mary Parker and to her Executors Administrors and assigns for ever.

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Grand Daughter Anne Parker the fourth Daughter of my said son John Parker One young Negroe Wench called Abigail and all her Furniture and one Cow and one Calf To Have and to Hold the same unto her the said Anne Parker and to her Executors Administrors and assigns for ever.

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Grand Daughter Jane Parker the youngest Daughter of my said son John Parker One Negroe Wench called Bellow and all her Furniture and one Cow and one Calf To Have and to Hold the same unto her the said Jane Parker and to her Executors Administrors and assigns for ever.

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Grandson Benjamin Skipper the son of William Skipper and my Daughter Anne his wife the use and bewife of a Negroe Woman called Fathen and all her Furniture her son Genty only excepted until he my said Grandson shall arrive to come unto the Age of Twenty One Year or be Married, and when he shall come to the Age of Twenty one Year or be Married which shall first happen then I do Give and Bequeath the said Negroe Woman Fathen and all her Furniture except the said Genty unto my said Grandson Benjamin Skipper and to his Executors Administrors and assigns for ever. And my Will is that in Case my said Grandson Benjamin Skipper dye before he come to the Age of Twenty one Year or be Married, that then and in such Case, I Give and Bequeath the said Negroe Woman Fathen with her Furniture and all her Furniture except the said Genty unto my said Grand Daughter Sarah Skipper and to her Executors Administrors and assigns for ever.

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Grandson Thomas Ferguson the son of James Ferguson and my said Daughter Anne his wife One Negroe Boy named Genty To Have and to Hold the said Negroe Boy to him the said Thomas Ferguson and to his Executors Administrors and assigns for ever.

Item I Give and Bequeath to my son Charles Parker a Negroe Boy called Mansuella To Have and to Hold the said Negroe Boy to him the said Charles Parker and to his Executors Administrors and assigns for ever.

Item I Give and Bequeath to my Grandson Thomas Parker the son of my said son Charles Parker One Negroe Girl called Harry and all her Furniture To Have and to Hold the said Negroe Wench unto him the said Thomas Parker and to his Executors Administrors and assigns for ever.

Item I Give and Bequeath to my Grandson Thomas Parker the son of my said son Charles Parker my Daughter Mary his wife One young Negroe Wench called Phillis To Have and to Hold the said Negroe Girl to him the said Thomas Parker and to his Executors Administrors and assigns for ever.

It is all the above mentioned Legacies in Negroes or Slaves my Will is that not any of the Person to whom they are given at about mentioned should Demand the same of my Executors hereafter mentioned for more than upon my Decease But that the same be and remain in the Custody and Possession of my Executors and do to have the Management and Care of them and all the advantage and benefit of them Work and labour for the space of Twelve Month after my Decease without any account to be rendered for the same, save or any of the Person to whom the same are given and Bequeathed at aforesaid.

Item I Give and Bequeath the sum of One hundred Pounds Current Money of this Province to be disposed off to Charitable uses to Hospitals and Pious Living in the Parish of Saint James Governor that are in Poverty and want But my Will is that the said sum of One Hundred Pounds shall not be paid to the Church Warden and Consistory of the Parish of the said Parish of Saint James Governor but that the same shall within Twelve Month after my Decease be Distributed and disposed of by my Executors hereafter mentioned according to the Direction to such Persons as he shall think to be most apt and Object of Charity and my Will further is that my Executors shall prepare a true Account how he Disposed and distributed the said sum of One Hundred Pounds, and the several Persons to whom he shall have Distributed the same and shall give up such Account to the Vestry and Church Warden of the said Parish within Eighteen Month after my Decease.

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my said son John Parker the Negroe Slave Negroes by the several hands of Will Pompey, Hercules and Cass and one Negroe Woman named Anna To Have and to Hold the said Negroes unto my said son John Parker and to his Executors Administrors and assigns for ever.

Item I Give and Bequeath further to my said son John Parker and to his Executors Administrors and assigns for ever, my Silver Tankard and two Silver spoons all which are marked T.S. all my neat Little Dressing what I have given to my son Charles Parker by a Portwine Debt bearing date the third Day of November in the said Year of Our Lord One thousand seven hundred Forty and five, and marked T. and also my Ring what I have given in this my last Will and Testament Expressly given to my said first Grand Daughter the Widow of my said son John Parker.

Item I Do further Give and Bequeath to my said son John Parker and to his Executors Administrors and assigns for ever One Venetian Glass my best with my best of Drawers and what belongs to it my Chamber Table my largest fronted Desk and my Old Spanish Chest my lignum Vito Mortar my Chocolate dish and Iron Darning Stick my Gold Staff, Copper Horse pan and Coffee pot, And all manner of Provision or produce that may be growing or being on my Plantations or within my Domain or elsewhere at the time of my Decease and also all such Money as I shall have by me in my House or belonging to me at the time of my Decease And also all such sum or sums of Money or Goods or other Things whatsoever as I shall do or do to me from any Person or Person whatsoever at the time of my Decease.

Item Whereas my late Husband Thomas Parker did Justly and lawfully bequeath and administered his Estate and accordingly took out Letters of Administration

By the Honble Arthur Middleton Esq President

Council Chamber 16 Oct 1799

Personally appeared before me John Dugby and Gerhard Baehler two of the subscribing witnesses to the within will and the said John Dugby being sworn on the holy Evangelists and the said Gerhard Baehler by the holding up his hand (according to the form of this preface) deposed that he was present and did see the within named Sarah Baehler sign the same at those known times and places last published and declare the same to be and contain her last will and testament and that thereof at three out of four and five persons being sworn and taking and understanding to the best of their knowledge and the deponent personally subscribed those names as witnesses together with the other witnesses Benjamin Woods and William Adams also in the presence of the said Testatrix.

Erden die M. Parker 1842. 2. 2. 2. 2.

Test Hen: Hargrave & Condit.

20 Oct 1773 Recorded
Chas. Hart Swt'y

Letters Testamentary to James Monroe of Virginia

By the Honorable the Honorable, Esq. President & Command-
in-Chief in and over the two first provinces of South Carolina and
Ordinary of the same.

To all to whom these presents shall come Greeting,

Know ye! That on the Twined Twentieth day of September, in the Year of Our Lord
One thousand seven hundred and Twenty Nine, the said Will and Testament of James Brown
of Wigan in this Province, deceased was proved & proved and allowed of the said Court having
heard the Evidence, and at the time of said deposal, James Brown, his Rights and Goods within the Province
aprove by means whereof the Deposition and allowing of his Testament and the power of
granting the Administration of all and singular the Goods, Rights and Goods of the said
deceased to be manifestly known to belong, and that the Administration of all and
singular the Goods, Rights and Goods of the said deceased, and his Testamentary any manner
Way Concerning was committed to the said Widow Hannah Brown, Gabriel Manigault and
Henry Corcoran Jun. named Executors in his said last Will and Testament being sworn
the said Administrators of Almighty God well and faithfully to Administer and to make a full
and perfect Inventory of all and singular the Goods, Rights and Goods of the said deceased
and to exhibit the same into the Secretaries Office in Charles Towne in Order to be heard and
adjudged by the Court
the First day of March now next ensuing and to render
a full and true Account of Administration and of the same thereof when thereunto required

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand
and seal this Eighth and Twentieth day of October Anno
Domini 1729 and in the third year of His Majesty George

Dr Middleton

S. Carolina.

Warrant to Appraise the Goods of James Brown
To the Honble. Nathaniel Eaton Esq. President and Commander
in Chief in and over this his Majesty's Province of South Carolina

These are to authorize and empower you or any three or four of you whose names are hereunder written to repair to all courts and places within this province as you shall be directed in to be Hannah Browne, Gabriel Manigault, and Henry Peronneau Jun^r. For one of the last to do and Contracted of James Brown late of Virginia in this Province and to do and deliver under any of the said names or names or as he do remains within the said parts and places which shall be shown unto you by the said Hannah Browne, Gabriel Manigault, and Henry Peronneau Jun^r. or either of them and there own and assigns all and every of the said Goods being first shown on the Holy Evangelists to make a full and perfect Inventory and Appraisement and to bring the same to be returned under your Hands or any three or four of you into the Court or Office in Order to be recorded on or before the first day of March next next ensuing.

J. McDuffie Hughes Esq.

Anthony Atkinson.

John Thompson June 9

John Hedges -

Anthony, White

Or any three or four of them.

Syris Honours Command

Dated the first day of November in the third year
of his Majesty George Anno Dom. 1729.

At Middleton

1 Novem. 63 1729 Recorded

Chas. H. S. S. S.

Letters of Guardianship. Granted to Rebecca Jones.

Be the Honble Arthur Middleton Esq. President and Members
in High in and one of the Majorities, province of South Carolina
and Ordinary of the Land.

To all to whom these presents shall come greeting

Whereas Robina Jones the Widow of Philip Jones late of this Province of Barbados hath made humble suit to some to appoint her to be Guardian of the said Children being Infants, To-wit^{ts} Jones, Samuel, David, Benjamin, David and Mary Jones Therefore In the said Honorable the Estate and of the said Careful Maintenance and Education of the said Infants Out of the said Parents' Estates in the said same and for the safety of you the said Robina Jones, I Do hereby Comitt the said Children and Guardians and Guardianship of the said William, Samuel, Benjamin and Mary Jones unto you the said Robina Jones the Executors and Guardians appointed by your Husband's Will having been first and now to have the said Children, bringing you that you do maintain them in Meat, Drink, Clothing, Lodging, Education, and all good Education as you do fitting and convenient according to the said said Parents' Intent of the said Infants' during their Minority and that the said Robina Jones do Enquire into and take Charge of the Estate of the said Infants both Real and Personal and do all other Things as Guardians by Law ought to do, in as farth may or can do, and a true and faithful Acc't thereof and of what Estate of the said Infants shall come to your Hands or any other Person by her Order you are to render when you shall be the next to require by me a lawful Guardian or Guardians as shall be chosen by the said Infants when they shall attain the Age of One and Twenty Years

Given under my Hand and Seal this Seventh Day of November
in the third Year of the said Majesty's reign Anno Domini 1729

St Middleton

Carolina

11 Sept 1729 Before the Hon^{ble} Charles Hart
Esq^r on the shew & by vertue of full power
from His hon^{ble} the President &c

Personally appeared before me James Balin & Abraham
Warnock two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will
who being duly sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty
God Declared they were present & did see the above named
Andrew Warnock sign Seal & as by Act & Deed Deliver the
above Instrument as his Last Will & Testament & that he was
at the same time of sound & perfect mind & memory & understood
to the best of the Deponents knowledge & the Deponents say they
severally subscribed their Names as Witnesses together with the
other Witnesses Joseph Cooper in the said Testators presence
Char Hart Secy

Was to Appraise the Goods of Andrew Warnock &c

By the Hon^{ble} Arthur Middleton Esq^r
President & Commander in Chief in & over his Maj^{ty}
Province of South Carolina & Colony of the same

These are to Authorize & Empower you or any three or four
of you whose names are hereunder written to repair to all & to
part & places within this Province as you shall be directed unto
by Mary Warnock Joseph Warnock & Michael Darby Executors
of the Last Will & Testament of Andrew Warnock late of this
Province deceased where soever any of the Goods of the said Deceased
or do remain within the said Parts & places which shall be shewn
to you by the said Mary Warnock Joseph Warnock & Michael
Darby And there view & appraise all & every the said Goods
being first sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God to
make a full & perfect Inventory & appraisement & to cause the
same to be Returned under your hands or any three or four of you
into the Secy^s Office in Charles town in order to be Recorded & or
before the first day of January next ensuing

Dated the Thirtieth day of September
in the third year of his Maj^{ty} Reign
Amoy 1729

A Middleton

To John to Haron
Charles Hart
James Balin
Abraham Warnock
Joseph Cooper

Three or four of them viz^t by Hand of James Hart 1729

Testamentary to Sarah Parker

Carolina

By the Hon^{ble} Arthur Middleton Esq^r
President & Commander in Chief in & over his
Maj^{ty}s Province of South Carolina & Colony
of the same

To all to whom these Presents shall come Greeting
Know ye that on the eighteenth day of October in the year
of Our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred & twenty Nine
The Last Will & Testament of Sarah Parker of Beekley County
in his Majesty's Middlesex County was proved approved & allowed
of the said Decease having whilst she lived & at the time of her
Death & since good right & free it within the Province aforesaid
by means whereof the approbation & allowing of her Testament
& the power of granting the execution of all & singular the Goods
Rights & Credits of the said Decease to me is manifestly known to
belong And that the Admission of all & singular the Goods rights
& Credits of the said Decease & her Testament any manner of way
concerning &c &c submitted unto John Parker the sole Executor named
in the Will of the said Decease Sarah Parker Being sworn on
the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God well & lawfully to
remember & to make a full & perfect Inventory of all & singular
the Goods Rights & Credits of the said Decease and to exhibit the
same into the Secy^s Office in Charles town in order to be
Recorded at or before the first day of February next ensuing
& to render a full & true and exact Account & Reckoning thereof
when thereunto required

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto
set my hand & seal this eighteenth day of
October Anno Domini 1729 And in the
third year of his Maj^{ty} Reign

A Middleton

28 October 1729 Recorded

Char Hart Secy