

I am, To my aforesaid Daughter I also bequeath all my house hold furniture and personal property charging the same with any debts I may leave unpaid.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this Thirtieth day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty six

Witness

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John C. Burkmyer John Carsten Henry Cobia

Proved before Thomas Lohr O. D. T. D. on the seventh day of September 1836. On the 16th September Grandison Greeny qualified as administrator with the will annexed.

18th 7th 1836. State of South Carolina. In the Name of God. Amen! I Thomas Blackwood of the City of Charleston do make and ordain this my last Will & Testament. I direct all my just debts and funeral expences to be paid out of my Estate. I give devise and bequeath all and singular my estate real & personal, including choses in action and money on hand unto such of my executors as shall qualify upon this my Will, To have and to hold the same unto them and the survivor of them and the heirs, executors, administrators and assigns of such survivor In trust for the uses and purposes & to my In trust to permit and suffer my wife Harriet Blackwood

to have, use and possess the mansion house with all its appurtenances
which we now reside, together with all the furniture, beds, bedding, linen,
china, and plate, and also all the negro slaves whom I may own, together
also the house and lot situated in Beacon Street now occupied by John
Smith, and also the small house and lot adjoining the same now occupied
now occupied by George Keechley, to her own sole and separate use and
 behoof, during the term of her natural life not subject to the debts, contracts
or engagements of any future husband; and from and out of the income and profits
of the rest of my estate the said Trustees shall pay to my said wife so much
as with the income of the property hereby given to her, shall be deemed sufficient
to maintain comfortably and educate such of the family as shall live
with her; the said income and profits to be so received and paid over
and any surplus to be invested by my said Executor, until all my children
shall attain the age of twenty one year or depart this life; and
from and after such attainment of twenty one year or death of all my
children then that the said executor shall hold the house and lot in
Bull Street opposite Mr. Clarksons, and also the sum of Three thousand Dollars
in trust for my grand children Mary, Thomas, Ann and William Meritt
share and share alike absolutely and forever. And this devise to be in bar
of all claim on account of a negro man named Adam who was tried
in 1822 as one of those concerned in the projected insurrection and ordered
to be transported out of the United States, for this negro I think I was trustee
under the Will of Mr. Bellamy for the benefit of my daughter Esther the
Mother of said children. I sold the above negro for one hundred and

but have no receipts. The said devise and bequest is also to be in bar of all claims on account of the negro wench Jane whom I permitted to live for some years with Esther. I further direct my said Executor upon the said attainment of twenty one years or death of my said children to pay to the Incorporated Baptist Church in Charleston, the sum of One thousand dollars in Trust to be invested in some secure stock, the interest to be applied to clothe such poor children as may be sent for instruction to the Sabbath School attached to the Church; and I give to the corporation discretionary power, in case the interest should not be wanted for the purpose just mentioned, to apply the same towards the support of the poor of the church, and it is my ^{intention} ~~suggestion~~ that the sum herein given shall never be applied to any purpose other than those mentioned above, and that the bequest sum shall never be claimed or opened under any circumstances whatever. And from and after payment of the said Legacies and any others I may hereafter direct, I wish that the said Executor and Trustees shall with the aid and under the direction of two or more disinterested friends of the family, whom ^{they} ~~they~~ ^{are hereby} ~~they~~ ^{are authorized} to appoint, make a fair valuation of all the real, residue and remainder of my estate of every sort not hereinbefore devised or bequeathed, and divide, apportion and hold the same in manner and for the purposes following, that is to say one fourth thereof, I wish for my ^{said} wife Harriet Blackwood for her sole and separate use, having her natural life and not subject to the debts, contracts or engagements of any future husband. And I hereby declare the provision made for my said wife in this Will to be in bar and bar of all claim of dower or thirds in any

my estate and as to the remaining three fourths, In Trust to pay over, transfer, convey and deliver to my natural friend Thomas Chapman or to such person as he may appoint one third thereof, to be held in Trust for the sole & separate use of my daughter Mary Chapman absolutely and forever. And in case my esteemed son in Law should decline acting as Trustee I authorize him to appoint another and in case of his death I authorize my said daughter Mary to appoint a Trustee in his place. I also declare that the said limitation to my daughter's separate use is intended & altogether to provide against unavoidable accident, as I have entire and unlimited confidence in my said son in Law. I further declare, that to induce the said Thomas to reside near me, I have allowed him the use of my house at the corner of Bull and Pitt Streets rent free, I therefore direct that no rent be received from him. I further order and direct that if he see fit, he be permitted to take the said House and Lot with all the appurtenances as part of the share last above devised and bequeathed to my daughter Mary at a valuation of Ten Thousand Dollars; provided that he notify my other acting executor of his intention to accept this arrangement, within six months after my decease; and provided also that the portion or share given as aforesaid to the use of my said daughter Mary shall be charged in the distribution of my estate, with this amount, and shall be specifically liable to make good to the other devisees any excess over the portion hereinbefore given her, which the letting of the said house may occasion. And as to another third part of the said three fourths of my said residuary estate In Trust to ~~hold~~ hold the same for the sole and separate use of my

estate in trust to hold the same for the sole and separate use of my daughter Rachel Blackwood absolutely and forever, and not subject to the debts, contracts or engagements of any husband she may marry. And as to the remaining one third of the said three fourths, I in Trust to pay, convey and deliver the same to my son John Blackwood, absolutely and forever, freed and discharged from all further trusts. And as to all and singular the estate real and personal hereinbefore given to the use of my wife during her life time, I in Trust from and after her decease to hold one fifth part thereof for the use and behoof of such child or children of my deceased daughter Esther Merritt as may be living at the time of the death of my wife and to be equally divided between them share and share alike, if more than one and if but one, then to that one absolutely and forever. And as to the remaining four fifths, I in Trust for the use and behoof of my children Mary Chaponier, Rachel Blackwood and John Blackwood to be equally divided among them share and share alike absolutely and forever. Provided however that the shares of my said daughter be to the sole and separate use respectively and not subject to the debts, contracts or engagements of any husband; and provided also that the child or children of any of my children who may die during the life time of my said wife shall represent their respective parents and shall take the share to which such parent would have been entitled, had such parent survived my said wife. I do hereby authorize and empower such of my executors as shall qualify to sell and dispose of any part of my estate which they may think fit either at public or private sale, and to execute title to the purchaser; but the proceeds of such sale they shall

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Willer should my beloved friend Thomas Chapman under any circumstances that may arise be unable or unwilling to act as Executor in any manner then my will, I give him full power to appoint some or more persons to supply his place. In case any disagreement or difference of opinion should arise among the parties interested in this my will, I earnestly request them not to go to law, but to submit such disputed matters to the arbitration of two or more friends and faithfully to abide their decision. In case any such disagreement should arise upon the division of any estate among the persons called in to make and divide the same, I direct that these persons shall call in an umpire and let his final decision be regarded as conclusive. I further direct that whatever property may be coming to my daughters or grand daughters under this my will at their respective marriages shall be secured to them by marriage settlements, and I direct my Executors to have this direction executed. I recommend my grand daughters to have secured in like manner whatever they may be entitled to from their Father's Estate. In performing the solemn duty in which I have been engaged, I should be ungrateful, if I did not call to remembrance several of our faithful servants, Benia, John, Ishmael, Jacob, Selma, William Hopkins; also Mary Ann, Kate and Ruth. These grateful creatures seemed always to take a passing interest in every thing which concerned the family. They would weep, when we wept & rejoice when we rejoiced. I would therefore enjoin it on the family (every member of it) to treat them kindly, to watch over them as parents and to render their situation as comfortable as possible. Let none of them be sold out of the family.

in of it) to treat them kindly, to watch over them as parents and to render their situation as comfortable as possible. Let none of them be sold out of the family, if it can by any means be avoided. Let the old and infirm be comfortably fed and clothed when unable to provide for themselves, and let them have lodgings in the yard of some of the family. I bless William Hopkins with the rest, because he was a bequest from an old friend. Lastly I appoint my son in law Thomas Chapman and my son John Blackwood (who only need qualify in the first instance) and the Reverend Basil Manly Executors of this my last will and testament, hereby revoking all former and other wills by me at any time heretofore made.

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal at Charleston this Eighth day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty six. J Blackwood {Seal}

Signed Sealed Published and declared by the said Thomas Blackwood as and for his last Will and Testament in our presence, who at his request, in his presence and in the presence of each other have subscribed our names as witnesses.

W. L. Steele George Deany Daniel Rammel

Proved before Thomas Leake O.C.T.D. on the ninth day of September 1836. At the same time qualified Thomas Chapman Ex^{or} J. L. Egan, J. M. Beck M. Page Att^y.

18th 2nd In the Name of God Amen. I Mary Wadsworth