

South Carolina, Power of Attorney from John Stevens to his Brother

Know all men by these presents that I John Stevens of
Parish of St. Paul in the County of Colleton & Province
of South Carolina being determined to leave the said pro-
vince in a short space of time HAVE by these presents made
constituted & appointed & in my place & stead put & by my
my trusty & loving Broth^r in law Peter Tennett of the
County & Province aforesaid Planter my true & lawfull at-
torney for me & in my name & for my use to ask & demand sue for
& recover & receive all such debts & sums of money with
good when amount & the demands whatsoever which
are or shall be due owing payable & belonging to me &
detained from me any manner of ways or means wh-
by any person wthsoever giving & granting unto my said at-
torney by these presents my fully whole power strength & author-
ity in & all the premises to have use & take all lawfull ways &
in my name for the recovery thereof & upon the receipt
of any such debts due or sum of money aforesaid assign
or other sufficient discharge for me & in my name to
sign & deliver & generally all & every other Act & deed
& Lances in the Law whatsoever needfull & necessary to be
to all the premises for the Recovery of all & every such
or sum of money aforesaid for me & in my name to
execute & perform as fully largely & amply to all intent
& purposes as I myself might or could do if I was in per-
son present or as if the matter required more speciall author-
than is hereby given & Attorney one or more under him
the purpose aforesaid to make & substitute & against all
revokes Ratifying allowing & holding for firm & Effect
all & whatsoever my said attorney shall lawfully do in &
the premises by Vertue hereof IN WITNESS whereof

I have hereunto set my hand & seal the fourth Day of Nov^r
in the Year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred twenty eight
at Sealed & Delivered
The mark of
John S. Stevens (S)
The presence of
Thos. Barber
Wm. Stevens

Carolina

Personally came & appeared before me Thos. Barton
Esq^r one of his Maj^{ties} Justices of the peace for Burly County Thos.
Barber & Wm. Stevens who being duly sworn in the holy Evangelist
Declared that they were present & did see John Stevens sign
seal & his Act & Deed & Deliver the within power of Attorney

I swore before me this 15th Augst 1729
to August 1729 Recorded at: Thos. Barton
The last Will & Testament of Thomas Barber Esq^r & Wm. Stevens Esq^r

In the Name of God Amen the seventh Day of
Augst 1697. in the ninth Year of our Sovereign
King wth the third by the grace of God King of England
Scotland France & Ireland &c. Thomas Valley of
Carolina in the County being in good health in body
& of sound & perfect memory thanks be to almighty God
for the same, & calling to mind the uncertain State of this
transitory life, & that all flesh must yield unto Death, when
it shall please God to call & being desirous to settle things
in order do make this my last Will & Testament in manner
& forme following.

I bequeath my soul to almighty God my maker & to
Jesus Christ my Redeemer & in the holy Ghost my
Sapienter & my Body to the Earth from whence it came

to be Buried in such Christian manner as to me & to
be thought meet & convenient, there to Rest untill
Soul & Body shall meet again & be joined again
the Joyfull Resurrection & be made partakers of
never fading joys of immortality w^{ch} God in Mercy
through the merits of Jesus Christ alone hath given
& prepared for all those that truly & unfeignedly
& believe in him & touching such temporall Estate
as shall be as the Lord has been pleased far above
Deserts to bestow upon me I do order give & bequeath
& dispose the same in manner & forme following

I give & bequeath unto my Dear Daughter Elly: all
when she shall attain to the Age of Sixteen Years
or at the Day of marriage all my Lands Tenements
Chattels & moveables, unmoveables after the
satisfaction of my Debts & funeral Charges be paid
& 2^d Item I give unto Ann Valley the Negro woman
Levea & lastly I do make constitute or cause
appoint my truly & well beloved friend Tho:
Perryman to be Ex^r of this my Last will & testament
& to take all into his care & charge untill such time that my
Daughter Elly shall come to the maturity aforesaid
to keep her to school that she may learn w^{ch} is fitt for her
bring her up in the fear of God & to defray the charges of
w^{ch} troubles out of the Estate I will not whereof I have
unto sett my hand & that the Day & Year first above
written

Signed Sealed & Delivered
in the presence of
Edw^d L. Rawlings
with

Thomas Valley

This thirteenth day of January anno Domini 1693
personally came & appeared before me J^m W^m Dry
& J^m W^m Rawlings & on their oaths on the holy Evangelists
taken say that they did see & were personally present
when Thomas Valley the Testator did sign his last will
& Declare the above & within written to be his last will
& testament & that at the doing thereof he was of sound
& perfect mind & memory to the best of their judgments
Sworne before me Jos: Blake

The hon^{ble} Jos: Blake Esq^r one of the Justices of the Peace
of the Province of Carolina & Gov^r of s^t Carolina

To all to whom these presents shall come greeting be
I know ye that on the thirteenth day of January anno Domini 1693 the last
will & testament of Thomas Valley late of this Province Deceased hereunto
Annexed was proved Approved & recorded before me & the Adm^r of
of all & singular the goods rights & Credits any manner of way
belonging to the said Deceased & his Testament was committed to
Tho: Perryman Provided he do well & faithfully Administer
the same & do make a full & faithful inventory of all &
singular the goods rights & Credits of the said Deceased & the
same upon or before the thirteenth day of April next
into the Secretarys Office do return upon Oath
& give a good Acct of his Disposition of the same
when thereunto required Given under my hand
& seal for that use appointed the Day & Year aforesaid
25th Oct^r 1693 J^m W^m Dry
Jos: Blake
Per: Acct Secy

South Carolina *Letters of Admition to Charles Brewer.*

By the Hon^{ble} Arthur Middleton Esq. President
 & Commander in Chief in & over his Majesty's Prov^{ince}
 of S^c Carolina & Ordinary of the Same

To Eliz. Brewer Widdon

Whereas Charles Brewer of Ashley River Par^{ish}
 Deceased lately Died in testate having whilst he lived
 & at the time of his Death diverse goods rights &
 Credits within the Province aforesaid by means
 the full Disposition & power of granting the Adm^{or}
 all & singular the goods Rights & Credits of the Said
 Charles Brewer Deceased & also the Auditing the Ac-
 calculations & reckonings of the aforesaid Adm^{or}
 & a final Dismission of the Same to me is manifestly
 known to belong I Desiring that the goods rights
 Credits & debts of the Said Deceased may be well &
 truly Administered converted & disposed of to his
 Grant unto the Said Eliz. Brewer his Widdow
 whose fidelity in this behalf I very much rely
 full power by the tenour of these presents to grant
 the goods Rights & Credits of the Said Deceased were
 him in his life time & at the time of his Death
 belong & to ask collect Levy Recover & Receive thereof
 & to pay the Debts in w^{ch} the Said Deceased stood obliged
 forth as the Said Goods Rights & Credits will ex-
 according to their Nature & order of Law being forth
 on the holy Evangelists of Almighty God to make
 & perfect inventory thereof & to Exhibit the Same

the S^uperior Office in Charleston in order to be recorded
 at or before the sixteenth Day of Nov^{er} now next ensuing
 & to render a true & just Acc^t Calculation & reckoning of
 y^e Said Adm^{or} when thereunto required & do ordain
 Depute & constitute you the Said Eliz. Brewer Adm^{or}
 of all & singular the goods Rights & Credits of the Said Deceased

In Testimony Whereof I have hereunto
 signed my hand this sixteenth Day of
 March 1729 in the 3^d Year of his Majesty's Reigne
 Anno Domini 1729

Arthur Middleton
 Carolina 26 August 1729 Record

By the hon^{ble} Arthur Middleton Esq. President
 & Commander in Chief in & over his Majesty's Province of
 S^c Carolina

These are to authorize you or any three or four of
 you whose names are hereunder written to repair to all
 such parts & places within this Province as you shall be
 Directed unto by Eliz. Brewer Adm^{or} of the goods &
 Chattels of Charles Brewer Deceased where soever any
 of the goods of the Said Deceased are or do remain within
 the Said parts & places w^{ch} should be shewn to you by
 the Said Eliz. Brewer & there View & Appraise all &
 every of the Said Goods being first Sworn on the
 holy Evangelists of Almighty God to make a full &