

## WILL OF

HENRY S RIVERS

17 T. State of South Carolina In the Name of God Amen  
 No 16 I Henry Sterling Rivers of James Island in the  
 State aforesaid planter being of sound and disposing mind  
 memory and understanding do make publish and declare this  
 to be my, Last Will and testament in manner and form fol-  
 lowing that is to say in the first place that my Execu-  
 trix and Executors herein named should as soon after my  
 death as decency will permit of pay my funeral Expences  
 Item I give and devise unto my Daughter Elizabeth Esther  
 my negro girl Sib daughter of Sue with her issue and in-  
 crease to her and her heirs forever. Item it is my wish  
 that all of my property both real and personal should be  
 Kept together by my Executrix and Executors provided there  
 is as much made after defraying the expences of my family  
 as will pay the Installments I owe and the interest there-  
 on But should they not affect the same it is my will and  
 desire that they should take such Steps as they in their  
 wisdom deem proper to affect the same and as soon as it is  
 accomplished it is my wish and desire that the whole of my  
 Estate both real and personal should be divided into three  
 equal parts viz<sup>t</sup> the one third to my beloved wife Sarah E  
 Rivers to her and her heirs forever and one third to my  
 daughter Julianna Bee to her and the issue of her body for-  
 ever and the other and the Last third to my Daughter E-  
 lizabeth Ester<sup>h</sup> to her and the issue of her body forever.  
 Item my Will is that if either of my Children die leaving  
 no issue of their body the deceased ones part or portion  
 should go to the Survivor to be held as her own part or  
 portion. Item and in case both of them should die Leaving  
 no issue of there body it is my will that there respective  
 portions should be equally divided between my Sister Kezzia  
 Bee's children. Lastly I nominate constitute and appoint  
 my beloved Wife Sarah Ecklin my Executrix and my friends

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Josiah Taylor & Robert R. Bee Esq's Executors to this my Last Will and testament. In Witnefs whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this twenty fourth day of November in the year of Our Lord One thousand Eight hundred and twenty Six and fiftieth of American Independence.

Henry S. Rivers (Ls)

NB the word "of" on the tenth line being omitted and afterwards interlined and the word Executrix on the thirty sixth line being erased and Written over before the Sealing and Witnefsing of this instrument in presence of

John W. Holmes --- James H. Witter --- Robert Lebby  
 Proved before James D Mitchell Esquire O.C.T.D. May 9th 1827. At same time Qualified Josiah Taylor, Executor.  
 Exd J.D.M.

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