

James LaRoch

10 In the Name of God Amen the fourteenth day of December in the year of our
11 Lord one thousand seven hundred and nineteen I James Esq. of Charles Town
12 in the Province of South Carolina being sick and weak in body but of sound
13 perfect mind and memory (thanks be given to Almighty God for the same) and
14 knowing the uncertainty of this transitory life on Earth and being desirous to
15 settle things in order to make and declare this to be my last will & testament
16 in manner & form following annulling & revoking by these presents all former
17 other wills & testaments herebefore by me made & declared
18 either by word or writing and this only to be taken for my last will & testament I have
19 then and first & principally I do commend my soul to Almighty God my Creator
20 hoping through the merits and mediation of my Lord and Saviour Jesus
21 Christ to receive a full pardon for all my sins and my body to the Earth to be
22 buried therein in such decent manner as to my Executors hereafter named
23 shall be thought convenient & for the settling my temporal estate & such goods
24 chattels and debts (as it hath pleased God) far above my deserts) to extend upon
25 me I do order give and dispose of the same in manner & form following (That
26 to wit) First I will that all those debts and dues as in right or conscience
27 I owe in any manner of person or persons whatsoever shall be well and truly satisfied
28 paid and paid at the convenient time after my decease by my Executors hereafter
29 named. Item I give and bequeath one Negro man by name Jagg and one negro
30 woman by name Sue and her increase unto my loving wife Christian Esq. Rock
31 Item I give and bequeath unto my son James Esq. Rock the sum of one hundred and
32 twenty pounds of the Kingdom of Great Britain. Item I give and bequeath unto my son
33 John Esq. Rock all my cattle things that are in the Province of South Carolina.
34 Item I give & bequeath my two Town lots in Charles Town aforesaid known distinctly
35 as the number of the said Town by the number of (190) and (275) to whom I have
36 together with all and every the appurtenances unto them belonging & to remain all
37 my other personal Estate (not hereinbefore herein disposed of) of what nature
38 and of quality soever the same may be unto my daughter Mary Esq. Rock and
39 to her heirs forever and that all the aforesaid premises by me bequeathed
40 to my said son James and my said daughter Mary shall be paid and delivered
41 to them or to the survivor of them or to the heirs of either of them as they shall
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