

WILL OF  
JOHN SCHIRER

17 To The State of South Carolina City of Charleston.  
No 13 In the name of God Amen, I John Schirer Citizen  
of the State aforesaid and resident of said City being at  
present of sound mind memory and understanding but consi-  
dering the uncertainty of Life do hereby make this my  
Last Will and testament. It is my will & desire that all  
my just and Lawful debts be paid as soon after my decease  
as may be Convenient to my Executors. I give and bequeath  
unto my beloved Wife Charlotte Schirer her heirs and af-  
signs forever one third of my real Estate of which I may  
die possessed of in lieu and bar of any Dower or thirds  
she may hereafter claim of my property. I give and be-  
queath the other two thirds of my real estate and all my  
personal Estate to my beloved Children Charles Schirer and  
Magdelern Schirer an such child as shall be born of my  
Wife Charlotte Schirer nine months after my decease, to  
them and each of them each and every of their heirs and  
assigns forever and it is my will and desire that when my  
youngest child arrives at the age of twenty one years that  
then the whole of my property deducting my Wifes portion  
shall be sold and equally divided among my Children or their  
Lawfully begotten issue and if no such issue are left by  
my Children aforesaid then his or her share shall go to  
those of my Children that are then alive or ~~their~~ their  
issue. And in case my Children aforesaid should without  
leaving issue then I give and bequeath unto my Executors  
hereinafter appointed by this my Last Will and testament  
each and every of their heirs all the property which by  
this will I gave and bequeathed unto my Children, to be  
Sold and vested in such personal property bearing interest  
as they may think proper and I hereby direct my said Ex-  
ecutors that they do transfer and & vest one half of the  
said personal property in my Sister Therese Higgy, living

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in the department du haut upper Rhine Canton Hueringue on Nider Rauspach in France during her natural life and at her death, in her child or children his or her heirs or their heirs and assigns forever and should she leave no child or children then her share shall be given to and vested in my Brother Joseph Schirer during his natural Life and at his death to his child or children and their heirs and assigns forever equally the other half of the said personal property I give and bequeath unto my Brother Joseph Schirer living in France in the department du Haut upper Rhine Canton Huningue on Nider Rauspach during his natural Life and at his death to his child his or her heirs and assigns or his children and their heirs and assigns equally forever and should he die leaving no child or children then his share shall be given and Vested in my Sister mentioned aforesaid I further give and bequeath unto my Sister Therese Higgy aforesaid & my Brother Joseph Schirer aforesaid equally and their heirs forever all my estate both Real & personal that I inherited from my Father Anthony Schirer and my mother Maria Schirer living in France. It is my Will and desire if my beloved Wife wishes to reside in my house in Queen Street she shall be at liberty so to do during her Widowhood but if she marries again it is my Will and desire that she shall remove therefrom. It is also my Will and desire if my Wife does not wish to take her share of my real estate immediately after my death and she consents to let it remain together with my estate until my youngest child arrives at the age of twenty one years that then in this case my Executors shall pay her the third of the Nett or clear income of my said real Estate. It is my Will and desire that all my negroes be either sold or hired out by my Executors as they may deem proper and their wages or the interest arising from the proceeds of said Sale of my Negroes be applied to the

Education and Maintenance of my Children and Support of my wife during her Widowhood. It is further my Will and desire that all my other personal property such as my furniture Guns and Tools appertaining to my business and so forth be sold by my Executors either at public or private sale and the money put out on Interest by my Executors and the interest to be applied to the Education and maintenance of my Children and support of my Wife during her Widowhood and should my Children not wish to live with my Wife then it is as they may deem fit. And I do hereby nominate Constitute and appoint my true and worthy friends John Strohecker and Philip Mefservey as executors of this my Last Will and testament with power to appoint in case of their death or deaths another person or persons to act in his or their Stead as Executors of this my Last Will and testament. And I do hereby declare this to be my Last Will and testament hereby revoking and cancelling all former Wills by me aforesaid made. In Witnefs whereof I have hereunto Set my Hand and Seal this Ninth day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred and twenty four and in the forty ninth year of American Independence.

John Schirer (LS)

Signed Sealed published and declared by the above named John Schirer as and for his Last Will and testament in the presence of us who have hereunto subscribed our names as Witnefses thereto in the presence of the said Testator and in the presence of each other

James Smith ----- John Manno ----- C. Rame

Proved before James D Mitchell Esquire O.C.T.D. April 12th 1827. At same time Qualified John Strohecker and Philip Mefservey Executors.

Exd J.D.M.