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I the undersigned Marie Josephine Lechais a native of the parish of Sainte Marthe of the Marmelade, Island of St. Domingo, Widow, without living children of deceased Jean Baptiste Abel, aged forty five years, infirm in Body, but sound of mind memory and judgment, in case it would please the Almighty to dispose of me have made and dictated myself of my own accord my testament and last will as follows. First I wish to be buried plainly & without splendour & placed at the side of my daughter. I give and bequeath to Mrs. Marie Anne Hippolyte Gouvinier, widow of Mr. Antoine Andre Lechais, my mother generally all the Estates left me by my husband consisting of divers lots in the Street of Council in the cap. & in diverse debts amounting in all to the Sum of Fifteen thousands, nine hundred and twenty seven Francs, also a plantation situated at the Fonds Blanc District of Marmelade formerly planted in coffee; The whole enjoyment only & at her death, the whole property to return & appertain to Jean Nicolas Francois Devineau son of Mr. Abraham Devineau, Merchant, resident of this City of Charleston & to the children born of Mr. Antoine Barbot & that by equal Shares. I give and bequeath to said Mr. Widow Lechais my mother the one half of the house where I reside, built on my own land.

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house where I reside, built on ground Lease, also all the Furniture
which will be found belonging to me the day of my death.
I also give her the negro Alcinder & the ^{negro} women Rosette & Adelaide
as as for the latter I request my mother if she continues to
serve her faithfully to give her, her freedom. I declare grant

Freedom to my negro woman named Pauline, and reward if she
ever she took of me in my sickness and request my testamentary
Executors directly after my death to take near the authorities the
steps for the necessary forms in order to ratify her freedom.
I give and bequeath to Mrs Françoise Jacqueline Pélant, widow
Lechais, my sister in law a young negro man's adieu of twelve
years of age, a native of this City. And for the execution of this my
present testament of prescription of my last will I have named and
made choice of Messrs Abraham Devineau, and Antoine
Barbot Merchants residents of this City, requesting them to
render me this last office, both jointly, or the one in default
of the other. Done in Charleston the twenty second September 1818.
one word erased. Lechais W. Abel.

Witness. Vallenet P. Esnarde Junr. Ph^r Simonet

Proved before James D. Mitchell Esq. Ch. J. D. November 16. 1818.

At the same time qualified Antoine Barbot Executor.

In the name of God Amen, I John Gibson, of Sullivan's Island
in the State of South Carolina, considering the uncertainty of this
mortal life and being of sound and perfect mind and memory
blessed be Almighty God for the same, do make and publish this
my last Will and Testament in manner and form following