

In the Name of God Amen, I John Miller of the County of Charleston in the State of South Carolina, being of sound mind, but afflicted with sickness of body, do hereby make and ordain this my last Will and Testament, first I commend my soul to the most holy and adorable Trinity, hoping thro' the merits of my Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ a happy eternity. The property I now possess being about three hundred and fifty dollars Slave and bequeath to and for the use of the Roman Catholic Church of Charleston first paying thereout all my just debts, Doctors bill, boarding house bill, and funeral expences. Item I desire that my wearing apparel be given to the poor. And I hereby nominate and appoint Edmund Mead Phelon and Samuel Corbett my Executors to this my last Will and Testament. Given under my hand and seal at Charleston the 14<sup>th</sup> August 1802.

John Miller (Sd)

In presence of us.

James White- John Misher- Joseph <sup>his</sup> Marks-  
Proved before Charles Lining Esquire C. C. D. September 3, 1802. At same time qualified Edmund Mead Phelon Executor.

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State of South Carolina.

In the Name of God Amen, I John Gordon Torrens of Charleston in the State aforesaid, being sick and weak in body, but of sound mind, memory and understanding, do make and publish this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following. First it is my will and I do hereby desire my Executors hereafter mentioned to conduct my funeral with frugality. Next I give and devise unto my dear Mother Elizabeth Blanch Hatter, the whole of my Estate real and personal during her life, and after her death whatever I am entitled to from my Fathers Estate, I leave to be equally divided between my three Sisters Maria Margaret Payne, Rosella Torrens and Eliza Catham Cochran except my two negroes named Bob and Romeo whom I leave to my sister Rosella to be her whole and sole right. Lastly I nominate and appoint my said dear Mother Elizabeth Blanch Hatter my whole and sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament, and I do hereby revoke all other Wills and Testaments by me heretofore made. In Witness whereof I the said John Gordon Torrens do set my hand and seal this eighth day of March in the Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and two and in the twenty sixth Year of American Independence. Signed and sealed by the above named

John Gordon Torrens and by him published, read and for his last Will and Testament in the presence of us, and his request, in the presence and in the presence of each other, hereunto subscribed our Names as Witnesses hereto.

Witnesses- Isaac M. Weston- William Collier- Jacob Yeer-  
This is to certify that the Alteration made in this Will in changing the word 'whole' and interlining the word 'sole' and in changing 'presence' for 'presence' was made before this Will was signed.

Jacob Yeer- William Collier- Isaac M. Weston-  
Proved before Charles Lining Esquire C. C. D. September 3, 1802. At same time qualified Elizabeth Blanch Hatter Executrix.

State of South Carolina.

In the Name of God Amen, I Josiah Rivers of James Island Parish of St. Andrew's Planter, being weak in body but of sound mind and disposing memory blessed be to God, I do hereby declare, this instrument of writing to be my last Will and Testament, in manner and form following, I primum I direct that all my just debts and funeral expences be fully paid and satisfied. Item I will and bequeath unto my Nephew Josiah Rivers the whole of my plantation and assigns for ever, all that plantation or tract of land whereon I now reside situate lying and being in the parish aforesaid, also the following negroes viz, Toby, Sally, Charles and family. Item I give unto my Niece Mary Grace Reilly a negro girl named Selby, to her and to her heirs for ever. Item I give and bequeath unto my Nephew Sebastian Reilly a negro boy named Bob, to him and his heirs for ever. Item I give and bequeath unto my beloved Sister Susannah Frances Harvey her heirs and assigns for ever the following negroes, Robbin, Remon, Roster, Adams, Rejs, Sam and old Tommy. Item I direct that the fellow named Will and menw' Rose be left free and be protected by my Executor hereafter named, the residue of property consisting of Horses, Cows, boats &c. I give unto my said Sister. I do hereby nominate and appoint Benjamin Harvey of Charleston in the State aforesaid Executor to this my last Will and Testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this twenty seventh day of July in the Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and two.

Signed and sealed in the presence of Peter Wyatt- John Lowry- Peter Guyon-  
Proved before Charles Lining Esquire C. C. D. October 1, 1802. At same time qualified Benjamin Harvey Executor.

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September the 21<sup>st</sup> 1802. Daniel White Peter's Battery  
left my horse Joel Fremits with saddle and saddle bags and  
Whip to eight this side of Columbia Richland District and to  
pay W<sup>m</sup> Brookshanks £. for one pair of boots, and to pay Mrs  
Olson £. for one neck board and she has got one pair of  
brown pantaloons and one snows down vest and one cotton  
shirt, I will leave my horse to Joseph Grant is due to me.

John White X

Witness my Hand-  
John Lawrence- William X Grant-

Proved before Charles Lining Esquire C. C. S. D. October 19. 1802.  
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State of South Carolina.

149. In the Name of God Amen, I Gabriel Capers of the  
Parish of Christ Church in the State aforesaid planter do make  
this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following  
that is to say, I give to my loving Wife Sarah Capers my negro  
man Phabe with her present and future increase, I give to my  
daughter Catherine my negro girl Manny with all her income,  
I give to my daughter Mary my negro girl Rachael with all  
her issue and increase, I give to my daughter Martha my  
negro girl Rachel with all her increase, I give to my daughter Sarah  
my negro girl C. Holl with all her increase, I give to my daughter  
Elizabeth my negro girl Sylvia with all her increase. I give to  
my said Wife Sarah Capers during her natural life, the use of such  
three horses and carriage, as I may be possessed of, in her choice, and  
of all my household and kitchen furniture, plate, books, beds, bedding,  
bed linen and table linen of every kind. Item it is my will that the  
remainder of my Estate both real and personal be kept together and  
my family supported therefrom until all my debts be paid and discharge  
d. Item after payment of my debts and on the arrival at age or  
marriage of any one of my children if they choose it is my will that  
my personal Estate, debts and choses in action (excepting the negro  
above bequeathed and their issue and increase my horses, carriage  
and the said furniture, plate, books, beds, bedding, bed linen and table  
linen) be divided into equal parts or shares as near as may be, by  
my Executors herein after named or the survivor or survivors of  
them as shall qualify and will act allotting one share for my Wife  
if then alive and one share for each of my children. And I give  
the use of one of such shares to my said Wife if then living during  
term of her natural life, and after her death I give the use

of such part or share so to be allotted amongst my children during their respective natural lives to be equally divided  
amongst them and it is my intent and will and I do hereby  
declare that what I have herein given bequeathed and devised to  
my said Wife Sarah is and shall be in lieu and part of all or any  
right of dower of and in or out of my Estate. Item it is my will  
that at the arrival of age of my youngest child if my debts shall be  
be lawfully discharged my swamp plantation whereon I now  
plant in the parish of Christ Church aforesaid be sold by my  
Executors or such of them as shall qualify and will act or the sur-  
vivors or survivor of them and that the money arising therefrom  
be divided into equal parts or shares amongst my children and  
laid out in the purchase of property or otherwise for the benefit  
of my said children as my Executors or the survivors or survivor  
of them or such of them as shall qualify and will act in their or  
his discretion shall judge most for the interest and advantage  
of my children, to each of whom I give the interest of an equal  
share of the said monies or the use of the property to be there  
with purchased during the terms of their respective natural  
lives. It is also my will that my house at Seneca be occupied by my  
family as usual during the term of the natural life of my Wife  
and such of my children that are single, after which it is my  
desire, that my said house at Seneca and premises thereunto be-  
longing be sold by my Executors or the survivors or survivor of  
them or such of them as shall qualify and will act and that the  
money arising therefrom be divided laid out and disposed of  
in the same manner and to the same uses as the monies to  
arise from the sale of my swamp plantation. It is my will in  
case my Wife should be enscint with a child or children at the  
time of my death, that such child or children if born alive, shall  
take and have an equal share of my Estate with my other  
children and in the same manner and for the like terms if  
daughter or daughters, but if a son or sons I give him or them  
his share or shares for ever on arriving at age and that my  
Executors do in such event, allot such equal share or shares to such  
children or child accordingly. Item in case any of my children  
should die without leaving issue or a husband living, I give  
the use of the share or shares of such child or children so dying  
to my surviving children during their respective natural  
lives to be equally divided amongst them as aforesaid. And in  
the death of any of my daughters leaving issue

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