

much indisposed and not having at hand a sufficient number
Witneses to validate a Will made in the usual form, have thought proper
to enter in this my book the following memorandum, that is to
say after all my just debts are paid, I give and bequeath all my
Estate real and personal unto my beloved Wife Elizabeth and Son
Samuel Nash to be equally divided share and share alike, except
a part to be hereafter mentioned that is to say, it is my will and
desire that my Sister Jane Hopkin be maintained as to board
and lodging as long as she shall see cause to remain with my Wife
and continue single. It is my Will that all my cattle except eight
oxen and six cows and calves be immediately sold on a credit
of twelve months also all my stock of horses except one chair horse
and one boys do. and the sorrel mare called Sally Graves which
last I'd wish to be kept for breed and the increased disposed of
when two years old to assist in defraying the expence of schooling
my Son. It is my desire anything herein contained to the contrary
notwithstanding that after all my debts are paid as
aforesaid the stock before mentioned sold on a credit of twelve
months with such security as shall be approved of by Heating
Simmons that residue of my Estate be kept together for the joint
and mutual benefit of my Wife aforesaid (Son) during her Widow
hood, but in case of her marriage before he arrives at the age of
eighteen that it be immediately sold the whole and every part of it
that is when the then crop if any standing is fully harvested giving
six weeks previous notice in all the Gazettes in Charleston and then
in the City sold on a credit of one two and three years, with bond
and mortgage of the property and such personal security as shall
be approved of by Heating Simmons and Thomas Porcher in
case my Wife remains a Widow till my Son arrives at the age of
eighteen years they may then divide the Estate by lot share and
share alike but he not to be put in full possession till he arrives
at the age of twenty one, if the Estate is sold as before directed the
bonds to be divided and those belonging to my Son to be recorded
in the Secretarys Office and the money to put to interest when
received till he arrives at full age by law. I appoint my beloved
Wife Eliza Heating Simmons and Thomas Porcher Executors

and Executors of this memorandum written in full provided to
date being eighteenth of March one thousand seven hundred and
thirty three. As my dying regt that M^r. Simmons and Porcher will
this with my Wife fully executed.

James Gray Weaver

In the memorandum of my Estate entered in page one and two
there is several interlinings but being wrote in my own hand as
can be proved by a very great majority of the parishoners I trust
it will in no shape invalidate the contents. signed this eighteenth
day of March 1793.

James Gray Weaver

Proved before Charles Lining Esquire B. C. L. February 26. 1802
May 27. 1802. Qualified Eliza Weaver and Thomas Porcher
Executors and Executor (by Virtue of a Deedimus) before Robert C. McKel
6th Co. Ph. S. C. L. Jery Esquire
14th Nov. 32.

I Joshua Ward enjoying by the bounty of an all merciful
God a sound mind and perfect understanding do this 16. day of November
1801. publish and declare my last Will and Testament, first I desire that
my legal debts and funeral expences be paid, the latter including my coffin
to be made of Cypress or Northward pine not to exceed the value of twenty
pounds and that my remains be interred in the morning without
any pomp or parade. Item I give to my dear by beloved Wife with whom
I have long shared as far as depended on her exertions to befriend me
every domestic comfort the whole and every part of the household and
kitchen furniture and stock of liquors I may be possessed of either
in Town or Country together with my carriage and riding chair
and a pair of horses and the sum of seven hundred pound sterling
which together with five Negroes to be selected by her from among my
slaves and the future provision hereinafter reserved for my Wifes
benefit is to be accepted in lieu and full satisfaction of her dower
in my lands. Item I give and bequeath unto my said beloved Wife during
her natural life the use of all my silver plate. Item I give and devise
unto my said beloved Wife during her Widowhood the full free and
uninterrupted use and enjoyment of my house and lot of land on the
East side of Meeting Street in Charleston on condition nevertheless that
she permit and suffer such of my daughters as may be single and
married, or who hereafter may become Widows and

250 they remain single and unmarried with their children during
such time) to remain and reside on the premises so long as they con-
tinue unmarried and from and after the death or marriage of my
said Wife then my will in respect of my said house and lot is
that the same shall be appropriated to the use of my said daugh-
ters so long as they continue single and unmarried as afore-
said free of all controul in the enjoyment thereof. And from and
after the death or marriage of my said Wife and daughters as
aforesaid then my will is that my said house and lot shall be sold
and disposed of in one or several lots either at public or private
sale for cash or credit at the discretion of my Executors or the
survivor of them and the monies arising from such sale I devise
and bequeath to be equally divided among my children then
alive and of the issue of such of them as may be dead such issue
if more than one to represent and divide between them the share
or proportion which their immediate ancestor if living would have
been entitled unto. Item I give and bequeath unto my daughters
Sarah and Ann the sum of seven hundred pounds sterling each
and confirm my daughter Sarah's right to the Negroes Minda and
Rosetta and my daughter Ann's to the Negro girl Lucy. Item I
give and bequeath unto my grand son and namesake Joshua
the son of my son James one hundred pounds sterling and to
each of my other grand children living at my decease fifty pounds
sterling the said several legacies to be invested and improved at the
discretion of my Executors until the said legacies respectively attain
the age of twenty one or day of marriage. Item I confirm the
sale made by my son in law Francis Motte of the lot of land in
Westworth Street given to my daughter Mary on her marriage.
Item it is my will and desire that the rest residue and remain-
der of my Estate not herein and hereby specifically bequeathed or
devised be equally divided share and share alike to and among my
beloved Wife and my children as tenants in common to them their
heirs and assigns for ever and in case of the death of any of my said
children during my life leaving issue that such issue if more than one
shall inherit and divide share and share alike the share or proportion
of the said residue which their respective parents would have been en-
titled unto to them and their heirs and assigns for ever and the
better to effect a just and equal division of the said residue do hereby

251 authorize my Executors or the survivor of them at their discretion
from all controul or responsibility either to divide or to sell and dispose
of in part or in the whole the said residue in such way and man-
ner and on such conditions as they may conceive most conducive to the
benefit of my Estate with those exceptions nevertheless that my lands
Negroes stock &c on Johns Island shall not be sold or disposed of before
the death or marriage of my said Wife if she should be of opinion
that it would be better suited to her convenience or the interest of
herself and children for her to work and employ my shares be
on my said lands for the joint benefit of my said residuary legatees
she to have the direction of the same and to account to my other res-
iduary legatees annually for their respective proportions of the profits
agreeably to their several interests in the said residue of my Estate
and further that my said lands are not to be sold or disposed of in
and my son John should be willing and desirous to purchase the
same at the price or sum of sixteen thousand dollars payable
with interest from the date of his purchase secured by a mortgage of
the premises in one two and three years and under the reservations
aforesaid I devise the same to my said son John his heirs and
assigns for ever. Item it is my will and desire that my Burial in the
Michells Church should be disposed of in the way and manner
herein declared in regard of my house and lot in Meeting Street.
Item it is my will and desire that the interest or estate which
my daughter Mary may become entitled unto under this my
will be secured to her and her present and future issue in such way and
manner as my Executors shall deem most proper. Item it is also my
will and desire that the interest or estate which my other daughters
may become entitled unto under this my will should be so settled and
secured as to remain at all times exempt from the debts or other pecu-
niary engagements of the present husbands of those who are
married or the future husbands of all of them so that on their re-
spective deaths their respective Estate or such part thereof as may be
existence may be equally divided amongst their issue if more than
one or in case of failure of issue or of the death of such issue under age
and unmarried then to go to their respective husbands. Care to be taken
that the said trusts should be liberal and in the creation of the same
notwithstanding the outline herein declared as my desire my said
Executors or the survivor of them to be governed by their discretion
alone so as to free them from all tedious suits at distant periods
of time. Lastly revoking all former Wills and declarations

4.5. 4.33. this only as my last Will and Testament, I do hereby appoint my sons John and James my Executors. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year first above written.

Joshua Ward Esq.

Witnesses. James Macbeth - William Dawson - George Chisolm.
Proved before Charles Living Esquire A.C.T.D. February 26. 1802.
At same time qualified James Ward Executor. August 24. 1802. Qual-
ified John Ward Executor.
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State of South Carolina.

In the Name of God Amen, I John Parker of the Parish of St. James's Goose Creek, in the State aforesaid, do make this my last Will and Testament, in manner following, first I direct that at my funeral, all pomp and ostentation be carefully avoided, and that none but relations, neighbours and particular friends be invited thereto. Next as to my Estate both real and personal (excepting such part or parts of either, as my Executors, or the majority of them may find it expedient to dispose of in payment of my debts, and which I then by empower them, or the majority of them at their discretion and election to do, should they deem it proper) I give devise and bequeath the same, to my Wife Mary, during the term of her natural life. Next on the death of my said Wife, I give and bequeath unto my Son John Parker his Executors, Administrators and assigns, all Prince the Carpenter, commonly called yellow Prince, my Pen in Goose Creek Church, and my furniture at Keys, us and in full of his share or dividend of my Estate. Next on the death of my said Wife, I give and bequeath unto my daughter Sarah Parker her Executors, Administrators and assigns all my plate. Next on the death of my said Wife, I give and bequeath unto my Son William McKennie Parker his Executors, Administrators and assigns my Negro Wench named Phillis with her Son Plenty, also my Wench Flora. Next it is my will and I do hereby empower my Executors, or the survivor of them, or the Executor of such survivor, on the death of my said Wife, and after all my debts whatever are paid, to divide either by a sale or otherwise should they think fit, the rest and residue of my Estate, both real and personal, not herein before disposed of otherwise, into two equal parts, which I dispose of as follows, one part thereof I give devise and be-
queath to my said Executors, or the survivor of them, or the Executor of such survivor, during the life of my daughter Jane Scott, in trust to permit her, during her natural life, to have the use, income,

or profits of the same, free from the controul and intermeddling of her sons husband, or any husband or husbands she may hereafter have, not to be liable to their debts, and in short as if she were and would be always a feme sole, and on the death of my said daughter, I give devise and bequeath the same to such child or children of hers, as she may leave living at her death, his her or their heirs, executors, adminis-
trators and assigns for ever, if more than one as tenants in common but should my said daughter die, leaving no child or children of her living at her death, then and in such case I give devise and bequeath the same, to such of my children as may be then living, and the child or children of such child or children of mine as may be then dead, his her or their heirs, executors, administrators and assigns for ever, if more than one as tenants in common, the child or children of such child or children of mine as may be then dead, representing his her or their respective parent or parents and taking such part or proportion of the same as his her or their respective parent or parents would have been intitled to, if then living, the other part thereof I give devise and bequeath to my daughter Sarah Parker her heirs, executors, administrators and assigns for ever. Lastly I appoint my Sons John, Thomas and William, Executors of this my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all other Wills and Testaments by me heretofore made. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this twentieth day of March, in the Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and one.

John Parker Esq.

Signed, Sealed, published and declared by the Testator, as and for his last Will and Testament, in our presence, who at his request, in his presence and in the presence of each other, have hereunto subscribed our names as Witnesses thereto, the words my driver Champaign and the child or children being first erased with a pen.

John Parker - James Ferguson - Lambert Gough Lance.

Proved before Charles Living Esquire A.C.T.D. March 1. 1802. At same time qualified William McKennie Parker Executor. March 30. 1802. Qualified Thomas Parker Executor.

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In the Name of God Amen, I James Kitten of the Parish of St. James's Goose Creek, in the State of South Carolina, do make this my last Will and Testament, in manner following, first I direct that at my funeral, all pomp and ostentation be carefully avoided, and that none but relations, neighbours and particular friends be invited thereto. Next as to my Estate both real and personal (excepting such part or parts of either, as my Executors, or the majority of them may find it expedient to dispose of in payment of my debts, and which I then by empower them, or the majority of them at their discretion and election to do, should they deem it proper) I give devise and bequeath the same, to my Wife Mary, during the term of her natural life. Next on the death of my said Wife, I give and bequeath unto my Son John Parker his Executors, Administrators and assigns, all Prince the Carpenter, commonly called yellow Prince, my Pen in Goose Creek Church, and my furniture at Keys, us and in full of his share or dividend of my Estate. Next on the death of my said Wife, I give and bequeath unto my daughter Sarah Parker her Executors, Administrators and assigns all my plate. Next on the death of my said Wife, I give and bequeath unto my Son William McKennie Parker his Executors, Administrators and assigns my Negro Wench named Phillis with her Son Plenty, also my Wench Flora. Next it is my will and I do hereby empower my Executors, or the survivor of them, or the Executor of such survivor, on the death of my said Wife, and after all my debts whatever are paid, to divide either by a sale or otherwise should they think fit, the rest and residue of my Estate, both real and personal, not herein before disposed of otherwise, into two equal parts, which I dispose of as follows, one part thereof I give devise and be-
queath to my said Executors, or the survivor of them, or the Executor of such survivor, during the life of my daughter Jane Scott, in trust to permit her, during her natural life, to have the use, income,