

at her request in her presence and in the presence of
each other have hereunto subscribed our names
in Testimony of the due execution thereof
H. A. DeCaupure - Wilmo. G. DeCaupure Septimus Blanding
Proved before Thomas Lenre Esq. C. C. J. D. 23 May 1846
At same time qualified Robert Pungle William Bull Pungle
J. Pungle Smith and William Mason Smith Executors

The State of South Carolina In the name of God Amen
Box 34 I Mary Mathewes do make and declare this my last
N^o 23 will and Testament Imprimis. It is my will and I direct that
my Estate real and personal be kept together by my Executor
hereinafter mentioned until out of the income thereof all my
debts & pecuniary legacies are paid Item. Upon the payment
of my debts and legacies as aforesaid it is my will that my
plantation on John's Island ^{containing} (by a plat thereof made by
Henry Ravenel in April 1826 with the Certificate of authentication
signed by Paul Grumball Jno G. Fraser O. L. Gibson
Thomas Legare and John Fraser and hereunto annexed as
part of this my will) about six hundred and fifty eight (658) acres
of High-lands and three hundred and eighty (380) acres of
Salt Marsh, shall be divided as follows. I give and devise unto my

Son William Matheres his heirs and assigns for ever that
 part of said plantation lettered (A) in red ink on said plat
 with the marsh on the north west and south of the same and is
 divided from the other part of the tract (lettered B in red ink)
 by a line clearly marked on said plat edged green towards the
 tract A and yellow towards the tract B and is lettered (A) B
 C D E F G H I in ink from Mapoota Creek to Harris's Creek
 which said line I will shall be the permanent dividing line
 between the high land and Marsh of the said tracts (A) and
 (B) and as my son William has erected buildings on
 and cultivated said tract (A) with my approbation it
 is my will that he shall not be liable for rent or any
 charges whatever by reason of his having so occupied &
 cultivated the same. Item It is my will that my negroes
 now therein excepted shall be kept and employed as they
 now are in the Cultivation of the tract (B) until out of the
 income of the same all my debts and legacies are paid
 and when that is done I will and direct that my said negroes
 shall be appraised and equally divided into two parts
 or parcels by three disinterested persons and that my son
 William or his personal representative and one of the
 said three persons shall draw for the same and as to
 the share so falling to my son William I give and bequeath
 the same to him absolutely. Item As to the tract B and the
 remaining part of said plantation

the same to him absolutely Item. As to the tract B and the
remaining share or parcel of my said negroes I give devise &
bequeath the same To wit the tract B and the remaining
parcel of my said negroes after the payment of my debts
and legacies as aforesaid unto Mrs Maria Mathews
Widow of deceased son Benjamin Mathews for and
during the term of her natural life, and with the view
of enabling her to support herself and to maintain and
educate her children by my said son Benjamin: and
and upon the death of the said Maria Mathews it
is my will that the said property shall be equally divided
share and share alike between the children of my said
son Benjamin to be held by them respectively and abso-
lutely forever Provided nevertheless that the child or
children of any child of my son Benjamin who shall
die in the life time of the said Maria shall take the
share of his her or their Parent. And whereas I have
given to my son William by Deeds the following negroes
viz Scipio Tom and Grace and also the following
negroes for whom he has no written title viz Dinah and
her child Andrew and Scipio the child of Scipio and
also Henry a yellow fellow and also by deed sundry
articles of household furniture therein specified
I do now hereby confirm said

and declare the said property no part of my Estate.
Item I give and bequeath to my son William Two thousand
Dollars as a compensation in part for his yielding up
the Tract B to his brother Benjamin and for the expences
he has been put to in settling this tract A. Item. And
Whereas I have given to the Children of my son Benjamin
the following negroes viz Nat Caroline Ned or Edward
I do hereby confirm said gift and declare said prop-
erty to be no part of my Estate. Item. I give and bequeath
to the Children of my son Benjamin the following articles
viz a Silver waiter one pair of Silver mugs and a silver
punch ladle to be delivered to their mother for them after
my decease and to establish their identity they were
received from the Estate of Mrs Ann Trever Item. As
an equivalent for the provision made in the residuary
clause of my will I give and bequeath the sum of one
hundred and fifty dollars to the Children of my son
Benjamin. + Item. I give and bequeath to Mrs Ann
Thompson the sum of one Thousand dollars not only
as a proof of my regard but in satisfaction of the
bond of my son Benjamin. Item. I give and bequeath
unto my Grand-daughter Eliza M Mathews (daugh-
ter of my son William) the Slaves Liddy & Phillis as
also my entire Chamber Furniture & house Linens

unto my grand-daughter Eliza M Mathewes (daugh-
ter of my son William), the Slaves Lindy & Phillis as
also my entire Chamber furniture & house linen
Item. As to the rest and residue of my Estate (excepting
my stock of Cattle which I will to be divided equally
divided between my son William and the Children
of my son Benjamin) of every kind and description
I give and bequeath to my son William absolutely & forever
And lastly I nominate and appoint my son William
Mathewes sole executor of this my last will and Testament
In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal
this second of December in the year of our Lord Eighteen
hundred and forty one

Mary Mathewes. (Seal)
Signed sealed published and declared by the said
Mary Mathewes as and for her last will and Testament
in the presence of us who at her request in her presence and
in the presence of each other have hereunto subscribed our names
as witnesses

Edw. W. Mathewes Tho. M. Hasell O. L. Dobson
Proved before Thomas Lepp Esq. C. C. J. D. 26 May 1846
At the same time qualified William Mathewes Executor.

✓ - See plat annexed to Original will