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State of South Carolina. In the Name of God Amen. I Reme Ravenel
of the Parish of St Johns Buckley Planter being by the blessing of Almighty
God in health of body and perfectly in my Senses but reflecting that Life is
fleeting and precarious do now make and publish my last Will and
Testament in manner and form following that is to say my Worldly Es-
tate with which I have been blessed with after all and Singular my Just
debts and funeral Expenses are fully paid and Satisfied I do hereby give
devise and bequeath in manner following Viz. In primis I give & bequeath
to my beloved Wife Charlotte S Ravenel and to her heirs and assigns
forever one Seventh part of my Negroes with the future issue and increase
of the females she having a right to choose them from among all my Negroes
after an appraisement is made of my Estate, also the whole of my Plate
household and Kitchen furniture of every description whatsoever my
Carriage and harness my horses, Cattle, Sheep, Hogs and Poultry
Item I give and devise to my said Wife during her natural life &
no longer the use occupation and Enjoyment of all that part of my
Plantation called Pooshee lying to the Westwards of the Santee Swamp
and extending Northwardly as far as the Lands of Paul S Ravenel
and John Moore Item I give devise and bequeath to my Son Henry
Ravenel his heirs and assigns forever my said Plantation called Pooshee
(Excepting such part as is hereinbefore devised to my said Wife during her
natural life) Consisting of the following tracts of land One tract of
Land containing two Hundred and thirty acres part of it being on

Carriage and harness my horses, Cattle, Sheep, Hogs and Poultry
I give and devise to my said Wife during her natural life &
no longer the use occupation and enjoyment of all that part of my
Plantation called Pooshee lying to the Westward of the Fountain Swamp
and extending Northwardly as far as the Lands of Paul & Ransom
and John Moore I give devise and bequeath to my Son Henry
Ransom his heirs and assigns forever my said Plantation called Pooshee
(excepting such part as is hereinbefore devised to my said Wife during her
natural life) Consisting of the following tracts of land One tract of
Land containing two Hundred and ninety acres part of it being on
the West Side of the Santa Canal, One other tract containing One
thous and acres adjoining the above mentioned tract, One other tract
to the north of the last mentioned tract purchased of Paul & Ransom
containing One Hundred and fifty Seven Acres, One other tract adjoin-
ing the last mentioned tract containing One Hundred and fifty Acres
being a part of the Fountain tract purchased of Paul & Ransom. One
other tract called Snellards Land containing two hundred and eighty
three acres. One other tract of Pine Land containing four hundred acres
purchased of Stephen Ransom. One other tract of Pine Land containing
four hundred acres purchased of Robert Pearson a part being on the
North Side of the Fountain branch, and one other tract of Pine Land
Originally granted for Eight hundred and nineteen acres a part being on

the Eastern Side of the Munnings Ferry Road, also one seventh part of the whole of my
negroes with the future issue and increase of the females. Item I give devise and bequeath
to my son John Stephen Ravenel his heirs and assigns forever all my lands comprising
the Plantations of Milton and Hopewell also a tract of land I bought of Jacob Sherman
containing acres also one seventh part of my negroes with the future issue and
increase of the females. Item I give devise and bequeath to my daughter Susannah
Mazzyck Stevens her heirs and assigns forever one seventh part of my negroes
with the future issue and increase of the females. Item I give devise and bequeath
to my Daughters Charlotte Ravenel Maria Ravenel and Catharine
Ravenel their heirs and assigns forever, each one seventh part of the
Whole of my negroes with the future issue and increase of the females
each daughter to have such seventh part on the day she arrives of age or
is married and in Case either of my aforesaid Daughters die before they
arrive of age or are married then and in that case in the event so hap-
pening I will order and direct that her or their Share shall be equally
divided among my Surviving Daughters. Item it is my Will that such
of my negroes as I have heretofore given to my said Son Henry Ravenel
and my said Daughter Susannah Mazzyck Stevens shall be taken if they
wish it as a part of their Share at an appraisement to be made on the day
an appraisement is made of my Estate no reference being had to the Value
at the time they were given. Item I Confirm a deed of Gift by me made
to my Grandson Henry William Ravenel of a negro boy named Harry

at the time they were given. Item I Confess a debt of my self
to my Grandson Henry William Ravenel of a negro boy named Harry
Item in consideration of the faithful Service of my three old negroes named
Cotto Sapho and Phillis I hereby give them full and full liberty to reside
on my said Plantation called Booshee during their natural lives and
to receive and enjoy the same wages and Maintenance on the said
Plantation that they have been heretofore accustomed to receive and I do hereby
Charge my Executors and Executors hereinafter named or such of them as shall
qualify with the payment of the Sum of Seven Dollars to each of them annually
during their lives. Item I do hereby order and direct that my Executors & Executors
or such of them as shall qualify on this my Will do keep my whole Estate
together and work the same to the best advantage until all my just & lawful
debts are paid. And Lastly I do nominate constitute and appoint
my beloved Wife Charlotte I Ravenel my Son Henry Ravenel & John
Stephen Ravenel my brothers Henry Ravenel Paul D. Ravenel Stephen
Ravenel and Daniel James Ravenel and my Son in Law Charles Stevens
Executors and Executors of this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all
former and other Wills and declaring this only to be my last Will & Testament
In Witness Whereof I the said Rene Ravenel have hereunto set my hand and
Seal this Eighteenth day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand eight
hundred and eighteen. Rene Ravenel (L)

Signed Sealed published and declared by the Testator to be his last Will &

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Taken in the presence of us who in his presence have signed our names
as Witnesses. Isaac Parker, Thomas Parker Junr. Isaac M. Dwight
Proved before James D. Mitchell Esq. J. C. J. & May 14th 1822
May 26th 1822. Qualified Henry Ransom. Executor. May 29th 1822
Qualified John Stephen Ransom. Executor.

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State of South Carolina 1793. In the name of God Amen I
Francis Ryckbosch of the City of Charleston in the State of South Carolina
aforesaid Broke being of sound mind memory and understanding
(praised be God for it) and considering the Certainty of death and the
uncertainty of the time thereof and to the end I may be the better prepared
to leave this World whenever it shall please God to call me here
do therefore make and declare this my last Will and Testament in
manner following (that is to say) First and principally I recommend
my Soul into the hands of Almighty God my Creator Hoping for free
pardon and remission of all my sins and to enjoy everlasting happiness
in his heavenly Kingdom through the sole merits of Jesus Christ my Saviour
my body I commit to the earth at the discretion of my Executors hereinafter
named and as to the worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased
God in this life to bless me I give the same and dispose thereof as follows
It is my express will and desire and I do hereby order and direct that my
Said Executors do and shall with all convenient speed after my decease