

South Carolina I Richard La Roche of Acad.
Box 33 Malau Island St John's Parish Colleton District
N^o 19 Planter being in perfect health do make and declare
this my Last Will and Testament in manner following
that is to say I loan to my wife Martha La Roche
for and during the term of her natural life all my
tract of land on Acad. Malau Island on which I
now reside and after her death I give and devise the
said tract of land unto my children to them and their
heirs forever I give to my wife Martha La Roche my
house and lot at Rockville during the term of her natural
life I also loan to my wife Martha La Roche the following
property that is to say Lydia and her three children I loan to her
also twenty six other negroes in families to be assigned her by
three respectable freeholders of the Parish for and during the term
of her natural life and after her death I give and devise the
said thirty negroes with all their issue and increase unto my children
to them and their heirs forever I give to my wife Martha La Roche
my carriage and horses the half of my stock of Cattle & Sheep
with all my household furniture and one third part of the money
arising from the Crop after plantation expenses are paid All
the aforesaid loans & bequests I give devise and bequest to my
wife Martha La Roche in lieu of dower or any other claim

and my last will and testament in manner following
that is to say I loan to my wife Martha La Roche
for and during the term of her natural life all my
tract of land on Waadmalaw Island on which I
now reside and after her death I give and devise the
said tract of land unto my children to them and their
heirs forever I give to my wife Martha La Roche my
house and lot at Rockville during the term of her natural
life I also loan to my wife Martha La Roche the following
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also twenty six other negroes in families to be assigned her by
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said thirty negroes with all their issue and increase unto my children
to them and their heirs forever I give to my wife Martha La Roche
my carriage and horses the half of my stock of Cattle & Sheep
with all my household furniture and one third part of the money
arising from the Crop after plantation expenses are paid All
the aforesaid loans & bequests I give devise and bequeath to my
wife Martha La Roche in lieu of dower or any other claim
whatsoever which she can or may have at any time against my
Estate All the rest and residue of my personal Estate I give &
bequeath to be equally divided among my children Jm La Roche

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Elizabeth Jenkins Richard J La Roche James La Roche Anna
 Cynthia Jenkins Daniel J La Roche Edward W La Roche
 Joseph E La Roche and Martha E La Roche and any child or
 children I may hereafter have. My real Estate I give devise
 bequeath to be equally divided among my sons above named to them &
 their heirs & assigns for ever But in case my sons John J and James
 shall inherit and possess under the will of Mrs Mary La Roche the
 tract of land called the Waterside which is at present devised by
 her to them and is now in my possession then it is my will and
 desire that my said sons John J and James shall take no portion
 of my real Estate but that the above named tract called the Waterside
 be received by them in lieu and as their Share of the same I give devise
 and bequeath to my son Richard J La Roche all that part of the
 tract of land on Wadmalaw Island which I inherited by the
 will of Mrs Mary La Roche south of the Public Road leading to
 Rockville to him and his heirs forever but should he die without
 leaving lawful issue then his wife (should she survive him) to possess
 is during the term of her natural life and at her death to return to
 my children to be equally divided between them share & share alike
 It is further my will and desire that my son Richard J La Roche
 shall take no other share or portion of my real Estate what soever
 but that the above tract be received by him in lieu and as his Share
 of the same In case of either of my children dying without leaving
 lawful issue before the age of twenty one years or marrying after the

but that the above tract be secured by him in lieu and as his Share
of the same. In case of either of my children dying without having
lawful issue or before the age of twenty one years or marrying then the
Share of such Child in my Estate shall be equally divided among
the survivors and the lawful issue of any deceased Child share
Share alike the Child or Children of any deceased parent receiving
such parent's Share. It is my desire that the negroes which I
have given to my several Children be secured by them as a part of
their share of my personal property. It is further my will and
desire that each of my Children shall receive his or her Share
or portion of my Estate upon arriving at the age of twenty one years
or upon the day of their Marriage and my Executors are hereby
directed to carry into effect this Clause of my will from time to time
as the event may occur. Lastly I nominate constitute and appoint my
Sons John J. La Roche Richard J. La Roche and James La Roche Exe-
cutors to this my last will and Testament. In witness whereof I
Richard J. La Roche subscribe my name and put my seal this
twenty seventh day of Dec^r in the year of our Lord one thousand
Eight hundred and forty three
Signed & sealed in the presence of

Rich^d J. La Roche (28)
Thos Stuart Esq. Augustus Moore Esq. B. M. Jenkins Esq.
Proved before Thomas Lehre Esq. CC & J 6 March 1846
At the same time qualified John J. La Roche Richard
J. La Roche & James La Roche Executors

Box 3
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