



on the 16 June 1697.

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Richard Butler

Carrollina. In the Name of God Amen, this twelfth day of September 1697, I Richard Butler of the Province aforesaid being awake of body but in perfect strength of memory thanks be given to God willing to record the weakness of my body knowing that it is appointed for all men to die do make & declare this my last will and testament in manner & forme following that is to wit, first and principally I give my soule into the hands of God who give all us thro' my body & soule to be buried in Christian Buriall manner in such place as maye of my Executors hereafter named shall think best without any doubting but at the generall resurrection I shall receive the same againe by the Mighty power of God touching such worldly estate as hereafter it shall please God to give me in this life I give devise bequeath & dispose the same in manner & forme following.

First I will devise of all those debts & duties that are in conscience & justice being due to any persons as well & duly satisfied & satisfied in some convenient time after my decease by my Executors hereafter named. I give & devise to my grandson Richard Buchanan one negro boy by name Charles to be sold & his price after my decease. I give bequeath & dispose of my daughter Mary Buchanan one young negroe woman to be divorced to her when she comes to the age of six yeares.

I give bequeath & dispose to my son John Butler a man named Robert the younger of the stock & plantation at one side of my land which I had in my lifetime till he comes to enjoy it all the death of my wife Anne Butler. I give bequeath all my whole estate both real & personal to be managed in the power hands & possession of my first & eldest son Richard Butler during his life whom I can & lawfully appoint by this my last will & testament my whole & sole Executor & after his decease the said estate both real & personal to be in the hands possession & occupation of my eldest son John Butler & his lawfull heirs forever for want of such heires the said estate to be sold & remaine in y<sup>e</sup> hands possession of my daughter Mary Buchanan & her heirs forever. I will desire that these be my Executors may be my wife Anne Cicely Butler & John Butler appointed in this my last will & testament. In witness my hand & seal the day of June above written.

Signed sealed published & declared in the presence of us, William P. Colclough, Thomas F. Bevell, John Butler, Thomas J. Fry, Thomas J. Fitzgerald, Snow, Richardson - Richard Butler

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Joseph Barker

In the Name of God Amen, I Joseph Barker of the Island of Barbadoes last of being at this time in perfect sense of mind & memory and in good health but my affairs occasioning me to be bound of a voyage for my health & knowing that all men are mortal I do make & declare this my last will & testament as followeth (viz). my soule I commend into the hands of Almighty God hoping & assuredly believing by through the merits & mediation of Jesus Christ my Saviour & Redeemer to have free pardon remission & pardon of all my sins and to be saved. And concerning such goods & chattells as by the blessing of God I do enjoy in this world I do give & dispose of as followeth (viz). I give & devise unto my dear beloved wife Hannah Barker all & singular my Estate personal & real as goods Chattells negroes lands houses leases debts plate money household stuff or any other things & whatsoever my wayes appertaining & belonging to me. I do will & Ordaine likewise my dear wife Hannah Barker my full & sole heires & Executors of this my last will & testament, my desire is that my good friend Capt Robert Kip Roway be assistant to my said Executors & for his trouble therein my will is w<sup>ch</sup> of my said Executors pay out of my estate to him the sd Robert Kip Roway of some of five pounds - willing my said Executors to see my debts be paid. In witness whereof I have hereunto sett my hand & seal this tenth day of October Anno Domini 1697. Signed sealed published & declared by of last will & testament of the above sd Joseph Barker reading all his said wills in the presence of, Andrew Hudson Esq. Gilbert Schly - Thomas Buckley - Joseph Barker

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Benjamin Widdly

Benjamin Widdly of London, Forwick & factor being, God be thanked of good and perfect memory & understanding this eleventh day of December one thousand six hundred & forty doe make publick & declare this to be my last will & testament in manner & forme as followeth. In the first place I recommend my soule into the hands of the mercifull God & as for my body I recommend the same intirely to the direction of my friends. Now I give & bequeath to my dear Sister Martha Wood wife of Edward Wood fifty pounds but in case of her death she to come to my dear mother the first day after her death I give & bequeath my dear Mary Mannering wife of Thomas Mannering fifty pounds but in case of her death to be thus given to her two children Mary & John - the Mannering to be equally divided between them but in case of either of their deaths she the survivor of them to have it but in case of both their deaths she to come to my dear mother Martha Widdly & she to give to my brother Robert Cranstone three pounds but in case of his death to come to my dear mother Martha Widdly. Item I give to