

S<sup>c</sup> Carolina

By the Hon<sup>ble</sup> Arthur M. Addison Esq<sup>r</sup>  
Commander in Chief & Ordinary of this Court

These are to authorize and empower you or any three or four of you whose names are hereunder written to repair to all such parts & places in this Province as you shall be directed unto by Thomas Hewson Esq<sup>r</sup> & Major Mose Wilson Executors of the last Will & Testament of Catherine Tooker her deceased Wherever any of the goods of the said dead are and do remain in the said parts & places it shall be shown to you by the said Thomas Hewson & Major Mose Wilson and these Vires and appraisals all & every the said goods being first sworn on the holy Evangelists to make a full and perfect Inventory & appraisement & to give the same to be returned under your hands or of any three or four of you into the Sec<sup>ry</sup> Office at Charles Town in O<sup>rd</sup>: to be Recorded on or before the first day of March next. Dated the nine & twentyeth Day of Nov<sup>r</sup> In the Twelfth year of his majesties reign Annoq<sup>uo</sup> Domini 1725

To Benj<sup>a</sup> Morris  
John Bodden  
John Chubb  
Robt Wood  
Benj<sup>a</sup> Wood  
on any three or four of them  
Shall  
By his Honours Command

1725  
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6 Dec 1725

The Last Will & Testament of Col<sup>l</sup> Richard Woodward

Book 1:1: p<sup>o</sup> 25:

S<sup>c</sup> Carolina. In the name of God Amen. the Thirteenth day of April. One Thousand Seven hundred & twenty five. 1725. I Richard Woodward of Berkeley County & Province aforesaid. being of sound and perfect memory thanks be to God for the same, but knowing the Certainty of Death & the uncertainty of life; Do man ordain, publish & declare, these Presents to be my last Will & Testament: hereby Revoking & making null & void, all former & other wills, by me heretofore made. In witness whereof, My Will is that all my Just & Lawfull Debts be first paid by my Executors hereafter mentioned. Item, My Will is that if my Executors hereafter named see occasion for the more better & easier way of discharging of my said debts, that then they shall have full power to sell one Tract of Land Containing One Thousand & fifty Acres: Bought of my Brother John Woodward lying on the West side of Ashley River and was granted to William Ashby. Item, I Give & bequeath to Sarah Woodward my Dear & Loving wife the use of One third part of all my Lands to enjoy the same during her natural life: at her Decease she shall give the said Land to the Child of mine she thinks fit or to both. Item, My will is that my said Loving Wife shall have the use of my Settlement & Houses where I now dwell on James Island, during her Widowhood &

And when a Division is made of my said Lands then this said Settlement shall not be altered but shall go to one of my Daughters (in the Division) according to the discretion of my Executors. Item, I Give & bequeath to my said Loving Wife One Maidservant Girl by name Anne at her Decease she shall give the said Girl and her Increase with Child of mine she thinks fit, or to both. Item, I Give & bequeath to my said Loving Daughter Elizabeth Woodward One third part of my Real Estate to her for ever. To be delivered to her at the Age of Eighteen Years or on the day of Marriage by my said Wills. Item, I Give & bequeath to my said Daughter Elizabeth Woodward one third part of my Personal Estate not disposed of to be delivered to her at the age of Eighteen years or on the day of marriage by my said Wills. Item, I Give & bequeath to my said Daughter Mary Woodward One third part of my Real Estate to her for ever. To be delivered to her at the Age of sixteen years or on the day of Marriage by my said Wills. Item, I Give and bequeath to my said Loving Daughter Mary Woodward One third part of my Personal Estate not disposed of to be delivered to her at the Age of sixteen years or on the day of Marriage by my said Executors. Item, My Will is that if either of my said Children dye before Marriage, then the Real Estate shall fall to the Child Living but the said personal Estate to be Equally divided betwixt my said Wife & said Daughter. Item, My will is that if both my said Children dye before Marriage that then I Give & bequeath to my nephew William Williams son of my Sister Elizabeth Williams and to his Heirs for ever One Tract of Land Containing five hundred & fifteen Acres on the River purchased of my Brother John Woodward & granted to George Allwood. Item, My Will is that if both my said Children dye before Marriage that then the part of my Real and Personal Estate not already disposed of, shall fall to and be Equally divided betwixt my said Wife and my nephew Richard Woodward son of my Brother John Woodward, to them & their Heirs for ever. Item, My will is that my Wills hereafter mentioned shall purchase out of my Estate four Tracts of Land Containing five hundred Acres each the Tracts of which are now in my Possession and when purchased then my Will further is that One of the said five hundred Acres of said Land next to Cousin John Goodfryes Cousin be by my said Wills family and fully given & made Over to Mary and Martha Williams Daughters to John Williams Deceased equally betwixt them & to their Heirs for ever. But if in Case the said Lands before given cannot be purchased that

Then I Give and bequeath to the said Mary & Martha Williams two hundred and fifty Acres of Land being part of a Tract of Land on a salt marsh formerly purchased of John Selmer that part adjoining to Land then once belonged to William Kimbels.

I Do hereby nominate & appoint my loving wife Sarah Woodward Heaton and my loving Brothers John Woodward, my Brother in Law Thomas Hay and my Brother in Law William Withins Executors to this my last Will & Testament and do hereby make void and null all other Wills & Testaments by me made or heretofore done signed and sealed to my seal and dated the day & year first above written.

Signed Sealed Published & Declared in the presence of us three on two sheets of Papers

John Heare  
Charles Kimbelsong  
Charles Coingsells  
Matthew Smallwood  
Nicholas Smith

Recorded 4 December 1725

Charl Hart Secy

Memorandum This fourth day of Nov: 1725 Personally came and appeared before me John Heare, Matthew Smallwood & Nicholas Smith three of the subscribing Witnesses to the said Will who being duly sworn on the holy Evangelists of Almighty God Declare they were present & did see the said named Richard Woodward sign seal Publish & Declare the said Instrument as & for his last Will & Testament and that the said Richard Woodward was at same time of sound & disposing mind & memory to & best of their knowledge and further to the said depts: did at & same time set their hands as Witnesses in the said testat: presence

At Middleton

N: Carolina

The hon: Arthur Middleton Esq: Presid: and Command: in Chief in & over this his Majesty's Province of South Carolina & Ordinary of the same

Do all to whom these of Beasts shall come greeting

I Know yee that on the fourth day of Nov: in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred & twenty five the last Will & Testament of Rich: Woodward deceased was proved approved & allowed of the said dect: having at he lived at the time of his death diverse Goods Rights & Credits in the province afores: by means whereof the approbation & allowing of his testat: & the power of granting the administration of all & singular the Goods & Credits of the said dect: & also the Auditing the acct: Calculations & reckonings of the said Administration & the final Dismission & Discharge from the same to me is manifestly known to belong & that the Adminon of all

singular & goods Rights & Credits of the said dect: & his Testament any manner of way concerning our said dect: unto Sarah Woodward William Withins & Thomas Hayward having sworn in & to the last Will & Testament being sworn on the holy Evangelists of Almighty God well & faithfully to administer the same & to make a full & perfect Inventory of all & singular the Goods Rights & Credits of the said dect: & to exhibit the same into the Secretarys Office in Charles Town in order to be Recorded at or before the tenth day of March next next ensuing, & to render a just & true acct: & reckonings thereof when thereunto Required

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this second day of Decem: 1725 in the twelfth year of his Majesty's reign  
At Middleton

N: Carolina

By the hon: Arthur Middleton Esq: Presid: and Command: in Chief & Ordinary of this Province

There are to authorize & empower you or any three or four of you whose Names are hereunder written to repair to all such parts & places within this Province as you shall be directed unto by Sarah Woodward William Withins & Thomas Hayward Executors of the last Will & Testament of Richard Woodward dect: Wherever any of the goods of the said dect: are or do remain there the said parts and places to be shown to you by the said Sarah Woodward William Withins & Thomas Hayward and there view and appraise all and every the said goods being first sworn on the holy Evangelists to make a full and perfect Inventory & appraisment and to cause the same to be returned under your hands or of any three or four of you into the Secretarys Office in Charles Town in order to be Recorded on or before the tenth day of March next

Inuing  
To Mr John Withins  
Colly Arthur Hall  
Mr John Heare  
Mr John Sandiford  
Mr Jonathan Coates  
or any three or four of them

Dated the second day of December in the twelfth year of his Majesty's reign Anno Dom: 1725

Recorded 4 December 1725

Char Hart Secy

By his Honor's Command  
Char Hart Secy

I have 1726 Mr Sarah Woodward the Secretary take the Secretary's Office by hand the said dect: M: S: C:

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Dated 1:1:1726

By the Hon. Arthur Middleton

I Now all men by these Presents that I John Woodward of the Province of South Carolina Gent. nominated and appointed one of the Executors of the last Will and Testament of Rich<sup>d</sup> Woodward late of James Island aforesaid Deceased for diverse good causes & Considerations him thereto moving hat and by these presents doth renounce & refuse to take up him the burden of the Execution of the said last Will & Testament of the said Richard Woodward, or the Disposal of the Goods & Chattells of the said Deceased to Intent & purpose that the Disposal of all & singular the Goods & Chattells of the said Deceased with the W<sup>ts</sup> annexed may be granted & Committed unto Sarah Woodward Widow & Heir of the said Deceased together with William Wilkins & Thomas Mangrove the other Executors of the said Testator. In Witness whereof I the said John Woodward have hereunto set my hand & Seal this 1<sup>st</sup> day of January Anno Domini 1726.

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Attest

By the Hon. Arthur Middleton  
Esq. Grand & Commander in Chief  
in his Majesty's Province of South Carolina  
and Ordinary of the same.

To all to whom these presents shall come, Greeting

Whereas James Grange, an Infant of the age of Seventeen years hath this day made humble application to me, that I Roger Moore of Good Proke (who hath also advised that he may take into his care, the charge & management of the said Infant & his Estate) may be appointed his Guardian Therefore for the better securing of the Estate & for the maintenance & Education of the said Infant out of the confidence I repose in the wisdom & integrity him the said Roger Moore, I do hereby Comitt the said Guardianship & the Education of him the said James Grange

to the said Roger Moore according to his desire, hereby charging him that he do maintain him in meat drink washing Lodging Schooling & such good Education as may be fitting according to the Circumstances & Interest of the said Infant during his minority & that the said Roger Moore, do enquire into & take care of the charge of the Estate of the said James Grange both real & personal

Do & a true & faithfull acct thereof & what estate of the said Infant shall come to his hands he is to send in when he shall be therunto required by such Guardian or Guardians as shall be chosen by the said James Grange when he shall attain the age of one & twenty years.

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal this

1<sup>st</sup> day of December in the  
twelfth year of his Majesty's  
August 1725.

Attest

Attest  
Last Will & Testament of Mr John White Dated 1:1:1727

In the Name of God Amen, I John White of Charles Town in the Province of South Carolina Vintner being sick and weak but of sound and perfect Mind and memory, thanks be to God for the same, calling to mind the uncertainties of Life, do for avoiding controversies after my Decease make, & Ordain my last Will & Testament in manner & form following (Vizt) Imprimis First & principally I recommend my soul into the hands of God; hoping for pardon and forgiveness of all my sins in and through the merits & Mediation of our blessed Lord & Saviour Jesus Christ, my Body I commit to the Earth to be decently Buried by my Executors herein after mentioned And as for such Worldly Estate whereof it hath pleased God to Bless me, I do give Devise & dispose of the same in manner following Vizt First I will and Desire that all my Debts & Funerals Charges be fully paid and Satisfied within Six months after my Decease.

Item I give and bequeath unto each of my Brothers & Sisters One Shilling a peice Sterling Money to be paid them by my Executors herein after nominated when Demanded

Item, all the Rest and Residue of my Goods Chattels Estate & Effects whatsoever, & all such Debts as are now due owing or belonging unto me or to me shall belong to me at the time of my Decease, I do give and bequeath the same unto my loving Wife Hannah White of Charles Town aforesaid, and unto her heirs for ever. And I do hereby nominate and appoint my said Wife sole Executrix of this my last Will & Testament, Hereby Revoking & annulling and making Void all other Wills & Testaments by me heretofore made. Ratifying and confirming this to stand and be for and as my only last Will & Testament In Witness