

In the Name of God Amen. I Daniel Gale of Charles City & Port in the Province of South Carolina. Being Sick & Weak in Body but of perfect & sound mind & Memory (Praised be God) Do make this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following. That is to say, I Impose, I Recommend my Soul, unto Almighty God my Creator, having to Obtain full Satisfaction for all my Sins, through the merits and Mediation of Our Blessed Lord & Saviour Jesus Christ: into my Body, I Commit it to the Earth there to be buried at the Discretion of my Executors hereafter named. And as to such worldly Estate, with which it hath pleased Almighty God to Bless me, I Dispose of as followeth. Viz. I Give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Catherine Beale, the wife of Capt. John Beale One Negro Woman named Catherine & her Child named Amariah, as also One Negro boy named Tony, One Negro boy named Tommy, & One Negro girl named Latitia & her maid Negroes being Seven in number I Give to my said Daughter Catherine Beale, her heirs and assigns for ever.

Item, I Give unto my said Daughter Catherine Beale, One good feather bed with all the furniture belonging thereunto And to have the Choice thereof, and take that which shall seem best unto her.

Item, I Give Devise and Bequeath unto my said Daughter Catherine Beale, the Brick house, wherein I now dwell, in Charles City & Port fronting the Bay, & all the Land belonging thereunto, to be Enjoyed, and Possessed by her after the Decease of my Dear & Loving wife Hannah Gale, Which said house & Land after the Decease of my said wife, I Give Devise & Bequeath unto my said Daughter Catherine Beale, her heirs & assigns for ever.

Item, I Give unto my daughter In law Mary Kemp One hundred Pounds Current money of this Province, to be paid her, in six Months after my Decease.

Item, I Give Devise, and Bequeath unto my Dear, and Loving wife Hannah Gale, all that my Plantation that is upon the Neck, adjacent to Charles City and Port together with all the Remainder of my Personal Estate not herein before given and disposed of, whether in money or due by Bonds, Bills, book debts & Accounts whatsoever, all which I Give and Bequeath unto my Dear & Loving wife Hannah Gale, & to her heirs & assigns for ever. And it is my Will that my said Dear wife Hannah Gale, do Enjoy, and Receive all the Aids, Benefits, Fines, & Profits of the Brick house I now dwell in situate in Charles City and Port aforesaid, during her Natural life, which said Brick house and Land after her decease as before have given divided, and Bequeath. I do hereby Give Devise and Bequeath unto my said daughter Catherine Beale, and to her heirs, and assigns for ever.

And I do hereby nominate, constitute and appoint my Dear and Loving wife Hannah Gale, to be Sole Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament, Rescinding, annulling and making Void, all former Wills by me heretofore made, Publishing and Declaring this to be my Last Will and Testament and

And so therefore hereunto set my hand and Seal this Twelfth day of August in the Tenth year of his Majesties reign, in the year of our Lords One thousand seven hundred twenty and three.

Signed & sealed, Published & Declared to be the Last Will of the Testator, in Presence of us.

John Simmons
John Stoney
John Stone
John Griffith

Recorded
Daniel Gale (Seal)
John Stoney
John Stone
John Griffith

Personally came before me John Simmons John Stoney, John Stone, Capt. three of the subscribing Witnesses the above & John Stoney, who being duly sworn on the holy Evangelists Testimony that they were present & did see the above named Daniel Gale sign seal publish & Declare the above Instrument as & for his Will & Testament & at the same time was of sound mind Memory & Understanding to the best of these Testors knowledge & these Testors did also severally subscribe their Names as Witnesses in the said Instrument in Presence.

At Middleton

South Carolina

(Seal)

Attest Arthur Middleton Esq. Esq. and Commandant in Chief in & over this his Majesties Province of South Carolina & Ordinary of the same.

To all to whom these Letters shall come Greeting.

Know ye that on the Twentieth day of March in the year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred & twenty five the said Will & Testament of Daniel Gale deceased was proved approved & allowed of. The said Decedent having whilst he lived got the time of his death diverse Goods Rights & Credits within the Province, owed by means whereof the Appropriation & allowing of his Testament & the power of granting the Administration of all & singular the Goods Rights & Credits of the said Decedent & also the Auditing the Acc^t Calculations & Discharge of the said Administration & the final Summ^t & Discharge from the same to me is manifestly known to belong & that the Admin^r of all & singular the Goods Rights & Credits of the said Decedent & his Testament any manner of way concerning was committed unto his Widow Hannah Gale named sole Executrix in & said Will & Testament being sworn on the holy Evangelists & Almighty God well & faithfully to Administer the same & to make a full & perfect Inventory of all & singular the Goods Rights & Credits of the said Decedent & to exhibit the same into the Secretary's Office in Charles Town in order to be Recorded at or before the First day of March now next ensuing, & to render a full & true Acc^t Calculations & Discharge thereof when thereunto required.

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal this Twentieth day of March in the Twelfth year of his Majesty's reign
Attest
Arthur Middleton
Recorded
John Stoney
John Stone
John Griffith

S^c Carolina

By the Hon^{ble} Arthur Middleton Esq^r President Commander in
Chief & Ordinary of this Province.

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 within this Province
as you shall be directed unto by Hannah Gale Widow & Adm^r of Samuel Gale
late of Charles Town deced^d there & every any of the goods of the said deced^d are or do
remain in the said parts and places it shall be shewn to you by the said Hannah
Gale and there view and appraise all and every the said goods being first shown
on the holy Evangelists to make a full and perfect Inventory and appraisment &
cause the same to be returned under your hands or of any three or four of you
into the Sec^{ry} Office in Charles Town in Order to be Recorded on or before the first
Day of March next ensuing.

To
Cap^t Green
Cap^t Goff
Mr. Fairchild
John Beech
Mr. Wilson

Dated the Nineteenth Day of November in the sixteenth
year of his majesties Reign Anno Domini 1785
A: Middleton

22 November 1785

Recorded of Chas Hart Esq^r.

on any three or four of them

These

By his honours Command
Chas Hart Esq^r

South Carolina

Letter of Adminⁿ to Robert Clarke Granted to Christian Arthur Widon

By the hon^{ble} Arthur Middleton Esq^r Pres^{id} & Command^r
in Chief & Ordinary of this Province

To Christian Arthur Widon

For the better preservation and just disposition of the Estate of Patrick Locke late
of St Johns Parish Planter deced^d out of the Confidence of your Integrity the
Administⁿ of all and singular the goods and Chattell of the said Patrick Locke
within this Province which were belonging to the said Patrick Locke at the
time of his decease to you the said Christian Arthur do by these presents Com^{it}
in trust and you the said Christian Arthur Administ^r of all and singular
the goods & other the Estates do by these presents make and Ordain charging you
that a full and perfect Inventory of all the Goods & other the Estates truly &
faithfully appraised by three sufficient freeholders upon their Oaths you do
make and the same under their hands return into the Sec^{ry} Office within thirty days
after the Date hereof and that you do well & truly pay all & every the said deced^d
Debts to all manner of persons whatsoever as an Administ^r ought to do
and also that you do render an Account of your Administⁿation whenever you

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shall be thereunto called by the Governour and Councils for the time being and that
you always save harmless and keep indemnified as well all other Officers and
Ministers against all persons whatsoever.

Given under my hand & Seal the twentieth Day of Nov^r Anno
Domini 1785 and in the sixth Year of his majesties Reign
A: Middleton

S^c Carolina

By the hon^{ble} Arthur Middleton Esq^r President Commander
in Chief & Ordinary of this Province.

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 and places within this
Province as you shall be directed unto by Christian Arthur Widon, Administ^r of
the Goods & Chattell of Patrick Locke late of St Johns Parish Planter deced^d
Whereover any of the goods of the said deced^d are or do remain in the said parts &
places it shall be shewn to you by the said Christian Arthur & there view & appraise
all and every the said goods being first shown on the holy Evangelists to make a full
and perfect Inventory and appraisment & to cause the same to be returned
under your hands or of any three or four of you into the Sec^{ry} Office at
Charles Town in Order to be Recorded on or before the nineteenth Day of March
next ensuing.

To John Nicholson
Mr. Hyger
Cap^t Ball
Cap^t Bonneau &
Cap^t Squash

on any three or four of them

These
By his honours Command Chas Hart Esq^r

Letter of Administⁿ to John Spenser Granted to W^m Esq^r of James Island

S^c Carolina

Arthur Middleton Esq^r Pres^{id} and Commander in
Chief of his majesties Province of South Carolina and
Ordinary of the same

To William King of James Island Planter

Whereas Alexander Spence late of James Island in the Province aforesaid deced^d
late dyed Intestate having whilst he lived & at the time of his death Divers
goods rights and Credits in the Province aforesaid by means whereof the full
disposition and power of granting the Administⁿation of all and singular the