

Dearest Wife Testament of James Samways Dunct. July 1726

In the name of God Amen, I James Samways of Berkeley County in South Carolina planter being sick and weak of Body but of sound mind and memory thanks be to god for them do make this my last will and Testament in manner & form as following I do

And first I give my body to the Earth from whence it came to be buried in such decency as my friends shall think fit my Immortal Soul to god that gave it in hope of a happy resurrection through the Merits of a Redeemer Jesus Christ the Righteous

Imprimis

I give and bequeath my real and personal Estate unto my well beloved wife Elizabeth Samways and my three Children John Samways Elizabeth Samways Iain & Ann Samways Equally to be divided among them after my Debt and funeral Charges be duly paid

Also my will & pleasure is that my son John Samways shall be of age at the Years of Twenty & my Daughter Elizabeth & Ann Samways shall be of age at the years of Eighteen or the day of Marriage, & in case any of my said Children should depart this Life before they were or attain to the age aforesaid mentioned that their Share or Part aforesaid mentioned shall be Equally divided between the surviving Children aforesaid, & again my will & pleasure is that when my wife shall depart this Life or Marry that then that share of Land that comes to her as before bequeathed shall revert and return to my surviving Children to be Equally divided amongst them as aforesaid and lastly I appoint and devise my beloved friend John Brown of Berkeley County Planter to be my whole & sole Executor of this my last will and Testament & in case the said John Brown should depart this Life before the Debt and necessary Matters are adjusted & his charge that he the said Brown may then nominate one or two as he shall think fit

James Samways

Sign Seal Publish &
Declare In Presence of
Samuel Turner
Tho: Rose jun

17 Septembris 1726

Personally appeared before me Samuel Turner and Tho: Rose jun who are the two Subscribing Witnesses to the above written Will & being duly sworn on the holy Evangelists declare the same to be true & did see James Samways the Testator Sign Seal Publish and declare the above and within Instrument as and for his last will and Testament & that at the Time of his Subscribing the same He then said James Samways was of sound & disposing mind & memory & understanding to the best of their Dependent knowledge, to this said Dependent further say that they did at the same time subscribe their names as Witnesses in the Presence of the said Testator and at his request

At Middleton

Before the Hon^{ble} John Brown Esq^r in Chief of the province
Ord^{ry} Judge & in Chief of the province
of the said Province

John Brown of Berkeley County in the Province of South Carolina Planter nominated and appointed one of the Executors of the last will and Testament of James Samways late of the Province of South Carolina deceased for diverse good Causes & Considerations on these moving parts by these presents do concur and refuse to take upon and discharge of the said last will and Testament of the said James Samways deceased to the Intent & purpose that the same may be granted & committed unto the said John Brown his Executors & let his hand & Seal this twenty of September Anno Domini 1726

Sealed & Delivered in the Presence of John Brown Esq^r Hon^{ble} Magistrate &c

17 Sept 1726 Recorded in this having witness
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South Carolina

Testamentary to James Lowmyer

By the hon. Arthur Middleton Esq.
President and Commander in Chief in and over this
his Majesty's Province of South Carolina &
Ordinary of the same

To all to whom these presents shall come greeting

Sheweth that on the first day of September in the year of
our Lord 1728 the last will and Testament of James Lowmyer
deceased was put in proof and allowed of the said deceased
having which he lived on at the time of his Death diverse
goods rights and Credits within the Province aforesaid by
means whereof the approbation & allowing of his Testament
and the power of Granting the same on behalf & singular to the
goods rights & Credits of the said deceased & also the said
his accounts & calculations & recovery of the said account to the
said James Lowmyer & discharge from the same to me &
Manifestly known to belong to that the account of all &
singular the goods rights & Credits of the said deceased
the Testament and the said account of the said James Lowmyer
into the said Court of the said Province in the said Will
and Testament & by force of the said Will & Testament
Almighty God's will & for fully to administer thereon
and to put in proof & Inventory of all & singular
the goods rights & Credits of the said deceased & to exhibit
the same into the Secretary's office in Charles Town in
the said Province to be recorded on or before the first day of
the said month of September next ensuing
being thereof when the same is required

In Testimony whereof I have
hereunto set my hand & Seal the
Second day of September Anno
1728 in the thirteenth Year of his
Majesty's Reign

Ar. Middleton

Warrant of Approbation to James Lowmyer

By the hon. Arthur Middleton Esq.
President & Commander in
Chief & Ordinary of this Province

These are to Authorize & Impower you or any other

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 the said James Lowmyer deceased & to take
Inventory of the said deceased's goods rights & Credits
within the said parts and places which shall be shown to
you by the said James Lowmyer deceased

And that you and approve all and any the said goods being
put in proof on the holy Evangelists to make a full & perfect
Inventory & appraisement & to cause the same to be returned
under your hand or of any three or four of you into the
Secretary's office in Charles Town in order to be recorded on
or before the first day of September next ensuing

To James Ralph Esq.

James Smith Esq.

John Smith Esq.

William Smith Esq.

Robert Smith

Or any two or three of them

By his Hon. Command

Robert Smith

Dated the third day of September
in the thirteenth Year of his Majesty's
Reign Anno Domini 1728

Ar. Middleton

Recd. 17 Sept. 1728

Char. Smith Secy

Letters of Administration to Mary Bullock granted to Robert Prentiss

South Carolina

Arthur Middleton Esq. President &
Commander in Chief in and over this his
Majesty's Province & ordinary of the same

To Robert Prentiss

Whereas Mary Bullock Late of Charles Town in this
Province Widow deceased lately died intestate having within
the time of her Death diverse goods rights &
Credits within the Province aforesaid by means

Inventory of the goods &c of James Samways Deceased
 South Carolina
 Bonds L.L.R. 6

A full and perfect Inventory and appraisement of all and singular
 Goods, rights and Credits of James Samways late Deceased as they were
 by Elizabeth Samways &c. of the last will of the said Deceased unto us the
 appraisers appointed by and sworn Pursuant of a Warrant of appraisement
 herewith annexed bearing Date the Twenty First Day of September anno
 1726. Given under the hand of John Brown Thomas Row & William
 Brantford. Taken the Twenty First Day of Sept. 1726.

28 of Cattle and seven Hogs	147-1-0
One Horse One Mare	20-1-0
Three Negroes Toby, Scipio, Borkshire	500-1-0
One steel mill one old Cart	12-1-0
In the out Room One Oval Table 11 Chairs	15-1-0
4 Desks, 16 Plates, 2 Caneys, 4 Spoons	12-1-0
In the Chamber One Bed and Furniture	30-1-0
One Bed Litter	25-1-0
A pair of Drawers and appertains	12-1-0
Two Trunks a pair of Boxes and Cedar Docks	8-1-0
Two Table Cloths, 6 napkins, 3 Towels	5-1-0
Three Sugs, one Bowl, a pestle and Mortar	4-1-0
In Sundry and a full coat, and bottles 24	10-1-0
In the Kitchen, 2 Iron pots and Hooks and Knives	4-10-0
One old Saddle, 2 Tubbs and two spails	3-10-0
Four Axes, a Hatchet, and Ship Margos	8-1-0
One axe, pick, and old Saw, and seven reap Hooks	2-15-0
3 Broad Axes, Iron Knives, 1 Spill, and an Iron Fork	4-1-0
Gr of of Silver	11-7-6

Thomas Row
 John Brown
 William Brantford
 So Carolina

Memorandum that on this present Twenty First Day of Sept

anno Domini 1726 Personally came and appeared before me Wm Bull
 Esq. one of the Majesty's Justices of the Peace for this Province Thomas
 Row John Brown and William Brantford being three of the appraisers
 appointed in and by the within warrant of appraisement and were sworn
 in the holy Evangelists of almighty God to make a full and perfect Inventory
 and appraisement of all such goods of James Samways late Deceased as
 should be shown to them by Elizabeth Samways, and to cause a true return
 to be made of the same.

Wm Bull
 1st May 1726
 Recorded & Chap. Hart Secy

Inventory & appraisement of the goods &c of Sam Saunders
 South Carolina
 Bonds L.L.R. 7

A full and perfect Inventory & appraisement of all and singular
 the goods, rights and Credits of James Saunders of Berkeley County late deceased
 as they were shown by Capt William Saunders & Wilson Clapp and of
 the said Deceased unto us the appraisers appointed by and sworn Pursuant
 of a Warrant of appraisement herewith annexed bearing Date the Eighteen
 Day of May anno Domini 1726. Given under the hands of Arthur
 Middleton Esq. the Twenty Second Day of June 1726.

29 head of cattle (pro calves, Yearlings, all & of head)	£28-1-0
One Riding Horse	25-1-0
2 Mares and Colts	16-1-0
22 Cattle of sort at the Mill	22-1-0
1 Iron pot and a steel Mill old	6-1-0
1 Negro old Can pump	150-1-0
A steel old peawick about 10	15-1-0
2 old Trading Tuns	4-1-0
1 old Bed, 2 Stopped Dr. Hobb blankets & 1 Poyard & sheet	6-1-0
3 old Chairs & 2 old Tables	1-1-0
1 Man's Saddle old	2-10-0
1 old and beap Co. docticks	2-6-0
1 old Traying Span & 1 Brand	1-1-0
1 Legnamvito Mortar and pestle	7-6-0
3 old axes & 2 old Axes	1-1-0

Carried Forward
 1726