

29. South Carolina
 By the Honble Arthur Middleton Esq.
 President & Commander in Chief in & over this
 Province of S. Carolina & Ordinary of
 the same

To all to whom these presents shall come Greeting
 Know ye that On the 2nd of December in the year of
 Lord One thousand Seven hundred and seventy two the Last will &
 Testament of Roger M. Middleton Esq. in Gen. & Nicholas's probate
 Company at Lord King's Court in the said Province of S. Carolina
 was proved by the said James M. Middleton Esq. & by these probate
 the same Company and by these probate approved & allowed of by me
 The said decedent having whilst he lived at the time of his Death
 Diverse good Rights an Credits within the Province aforesaid by
 means whereof the approbation & allowing of his Testament and the
 power of Granting the Administration of all and singular the Goods
 Rights and Credits of the said decedent & also the dividing the said
 Calculations & reckonings of the said Administration & the final
 Dismission & discharge from the same to me is manifestly shewn to
 belong and that the Administration of all and singular the Goods
 Rights and Credits of the said decedent & his Testamentary manner
 of way concerning was committed unto Alexander Nesbit of
 Charles Town Merchant named Executor in the said Will & Testament
 being first sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God
 well & faithfully to Administer the same & to make the full and
 effect Inventory of all the 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 May next ensuing & to render a just & true account
 Calculations & Reckoning whereof when thereunto required

Testified
 I May 1782
 In Testimony whereof I have
 hereunto set my hand & seal this three &
 Twentieth day of January in the Twelfth Year
 of his Majesty's Reign
 Ar Middleton

South Carolina
 By the Honble Arthur Middleton Esq.
 President and Commander in Chief of the Ordinary of the
 same

I have now 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 Alexander
 Nesbit of Charles Town Merchant Executor of Roger Middleton Esq. & to view
 any of the Goods of the said decedent are or do remain within the said
 parts & places which shall be shewn to you by the said Alexander Nesbit
 & their own appraisers all & every of the said Goods being first taken
 on the Holy Evangelists to make a full & effect Inventory & appraisal
 & to cause the same to be returned unto the Secretary's Office
 four of you into the Secretary's Office in Charles Town in order to be
 Recorded at or before the first day of May next ensuing

Given under my hand this Tenth
 & Twentyeth Day of January 1782
 in the Thirteenth Year of his Majesty's Reign
 26 Jan'y 1782
 Recorded & signed: Ar Middleton

South Carolina
 In the Name of God Amen
 Crawkey's of Charles City in the Province of S. Carolina being sick &
 weak in Body but of perfect mind do Memory and notwithstanding how it may
 please the Almighty being to deal with me Command my Soul into the
 hands of him who gave it to my body to the Earth to be buried in a decent
 Christian like manner in June do certain hopes of the Resurrection to the
 Judgment of the Great Day Do make this my Last Will & Testament
 in Manner & Form following
 My Will is that all my just Debts & Funeral Expenses be first
 fully satisfied & paid
 I Give and Bequeath to my beloved Wife Sarah Crawkey's & my
 Daughter Elizabeth Crawkey's the two third parts of all my Estate
 both real & personal in this Province or elsewhere to be Equally and
 divided between them as is hereafter mentioned to them their Heirs &
 Assigns for ever

- Item In case my aforesaid Wife should be Delivered of a Living Child within Nine Months time after my Decease my Will & pleasure is that the said Child be it Male or Female shall have power to Enjoy the Remainder of all my Estate both Real & Personal in this Province or else where for his or her Heirs or Assignes for Ever
- Item My Will is that my well Beloved Wife should have the Profitable Benefits of the whole Estate both Real & Personal for the maintenance of my aforesaid Child or Children during the time of her Widowhood or till my Daughter Elizabeth arrive to the Age of Eighteen years or Day of Marriage which shall happen first
- Item My Will & pleasure is that if please God my Daughter Elizabeth arrive to the Age of Eighteen years or Day of Marriage that her part of what I have Left her be punctually paid by my Executors Execut & thereafter named
- Item My Will is that in case the Child of which my Wife shall be delivered of be a Male, then what part of my Estate which I have Left him shall remain in the hands of my Executors & Executors till he arrive to the Age of Twenty One years And if please God he arrive to that Age then to be punctually paid him by his Executors
- Item In case my Wife during her Widowhood, or my Child or Children or any of them should dye before they arrive to the Age mentioned then their proportion shall be equally divided amongst the Survivors of them & there to share alike
- Item If my aforesaid Wife should marry before my Child Elizabeth should come to Age or be married then my Will is that a Division be made of the whole in three Months time after her Marriage & the Child or Childrens part to be put out to Interest by my Executors for the Use of the said Child or Children
- Lastly I do hereby Nominate & appoint my Beloved Wife Sarah (both my self & Anthony Matthews Senr & Junr to be my Executors & Executors to this my Last Will & Testament whereby Revoking & making void all former Will or Wills heretofore by me made I do hereby whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal this Tenth Day of March An. Du. 1722/3
- Signed & Sealed in the presence of Us
 Ja. Matthews
 Law. Cullette
 Cha. Pickney
- John Caskys

At a Council held at the Council Chamber in the Town of Charleston the 24th April 1724.

The within Will was Proved by the Oaths of James Mathews & Lawrence Cullette two of the Ministers thereof & the Oaths of an Exat^{re} administered to the three Executors therein appointed

In Council April 28th 1724.

The within Will was then Proved by the Oaths of W. C. Pickney the other Minister thereof & the Testimony Granted to the Executors therein appointed

Test. Will. J. J. J.

Letters Testamentary to John Caskys Granted to Anthony Matthews Senr & Anthony Matthews Junr

South Carolina.

By the Honorable Arthur Middleton Esq.
 President & 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

Know Ye That On the Twenty second day of April in the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred & Twenty four the Last Will & Testament of John Caskys Late of this Province deceased was proved before his Exe^{cy} Francis Nicholson Esq. Govern^r of this Province now by Vocation of the Power to me given by his Majesty's Royal Instructions as Command^r in Chief and Ordinary of this Province in his Absence approved & Allowed of by me; The said deced^t having whilst he Lived and at the time of his Death diverse Good Rights & Credits within this Province aforesaid by means whereof the Approbation & Allowance of his Testament and the Power of granting the Administration of all and singular the Goods Rights & Credits of the said deced^t & also the Auditing the Accounts Calculations & reckonings of the said Administration to the final Dismission and Discharge from the same to me is manifestly known to belong & that the Administration of all and singular the Goods Rights & Credits of the said deced^t his Testament any manner of way

concerning is committed unto Mr. Anthony Matthews Sen & Mr. Anthony Matthews Jun Two of the Executors named in the said Will (the others having renounced in Due forme) being first sworn upon the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God well and faithfully to Administer the same & to make a full and perfect Inventory of all & singular the Goods Rights and Credits of the said Decedent to Exhibit the same into the Secretaries Office in Charles Town in Order to be Recorded at or before the First day of May next ensuing and to render a Just and true Account Calculation and Reckoning thereof when thereunto Required

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my Hand & Seal this three & Twentyeth day of June in the Twelfth Year of his Majesty's Reign

3 February 1726

Recorded at Charles Town

At Middleton

Warrant of Appraisement to John Goodly

South Carolina s.

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

PLEASE 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 Anthony Matthews Sen & Anthony Matthews Jun. Executors of the Last Will & Testament of John Crofters decedent Wherever any of the Goods of the said Decedent are or do remain within the said parts & places which shall be Shown to you by the said Anthony Matthews Sen & Anthony Matthews Jun. & there view & Appraise all and every the said Goods being first sworn on the Holy Evangelists to make a full & perfect Inventory & Appraisment & to cause the same to be returned unto your hands or of any three or four of you into the Secretaries Office in Charles Town in Order to be Recorded On or before the First day of July now next ensuing

To
Witness under my Hand this 23 day of January in the Twelfth Year of his Majesty's Reign Anno 1726.
Attest
In presence of
In any three or four of you
In witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand & Seal
At Middleton

Robert Willison's Testimonial

South Carolina s.

The Honble Arthur Middleton Esq. President and Commander in Chief in this his Majesty's Province of South Carolina

Memorandum On this third day of February last I have received from the Honble Arthur Middleton Esq. Personally came of Thomas Barnes Esq. who is now deceased late of Kendall Co. Westmoreland, but now residing in this Province of South Carolina. Who according to the promise of his Highness's Honour (Judge) hath affirmed and attested that he is & hath been very well acquainted with Robert Willison, now residing also in this Province of South Carolina. And who for about Ten years last past, hath been gone by the name of John Barnes, and that he the said Thomas Barnes formerly went to school with him the said Robert Willison for near five years, in the Town of Kendall's former, to and Mr John Loggson, and Resided together at one Mr Bryan's place in Stramington in Kendall's former, and that by one of the Murders of two Slaves in his right foot just below his ankle, he full well knows him to be the same Robert Willison that he formerly went to school with, and Resided with as aforesaid, and to be the same of Isaac Willison late of Dorset in the County of Cumberland Gentleman deceased, and Mary his Wife who after the death of her said husband Isaac Willison intermarried with Mr William Dawson of Gillingham in Lancashire.

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and Sealed the said Seal of this Province to be Affixed this day and Year

Thomas Barnes:

In Council

3 February 1726

Affirmed (according to the Form of his Profession)



At Middleton

Esq.

Recorded at Charles Town

Power of granting the Administration of all singular the Goods Rights and Credits of the said Deceased and also the Creditors the Real Calculations & Provisions of the said Administration and the final Dismissal and discharge from the same to me as manifestly sheweth to belong And that the Administration of all and singular the Goods Rights & Credits of the said Deceased and his Executors in any manner of way concerning is committed unto Mr Anthony Watrous Esq in the full Power of him two of the Executors named in the said Will (the others having renounced in due form) being first sworn in the Holy Evangelists of the Gospel well and faithfully to discharge & Administer the same and to make a full and perfect Inventory of all and singular the Goods Rights and Credits of the said Deceased and to exhibit the same into the Secretarys Office in Charleston in Order to be recorded at or before the first day of May next ensuing and to render a just and true Real Calculation and Provisions thereof when thereunto required

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this three and Twentieth day of January in the Thirtieth Year of his Majesty's said Majesty

Janini 1729

At Middleton

The Last Will and Testament of John Croft Esq

In the Name of God amen I John Croft Esq of Charles Charles City in the Province of S^c Carolina being Sick & weak in Body but of perfect mind and memory and not knowing how it may please the Almighty being to deal with me Bottled up my Soul into the hands of him who gave it & my body to the Earth to be buried in a Decent Christianlike manner in sure & certain hopes of the Resurrection to the Judgement of the great day Do make this my last Will & Testament in manner & form following

My Will is that all my Just and Lawful Expenses be first fully satisfied & paid

I Give & Bequeath unto my beloved wife Sarah Croft & my Daughter Elizabeth Croft the two third parts of all my Estate both Real and Personal

In this Province or Elsewhere to be Equally divided between them as is hereafter mentioned to them their Heires & assigns for Ever

Item In Case my aforesaid wife should be delivered of a Living Child within Nine months time after my decease my will & pleasure is that the said Child be it male or female I shall have, possess and Enjoy the Remainder of all my Estate both Real & Personal in this Province or Elsewhere for his or her Heires or assigns for Ever

Item My Will is that my Wellbeloved wife should have the Profits & Benefits of the whole Estate both Real & Personal for the Maintenance of my aforesaid Child or Children during the time of her Widowhood or till my Daughter Elizabeth arrive to the age of Eighteen years or Day of Marriage which shall happen first

Item My Will & pleasure is that if it please God my my Daughter Elizabeth arrive to the age of Eighteen years or Day of marriage That her part of what I have Left her be punctually paid by my Executors and Executors hereafter named

Item My Will is that in Case the Child of which my wife shall be delivered of be a male Child, then what part of my Estate which I have Left him shall remain in the hands of my Executors & Executors till he arrive to the age of Twenty one years & if please God he arrive to that age then to be punctually paid him by my said Executors & Executors.

Item In Case my wife during her widow hood or my Child or Children or any of them should dye before they arrive to the age mentioned then their proportion shall be Equally divided among the Survivors of them Share & Share alike

Item If my aforesaid wife should marry before my Child Elizabeth should come to age or be married then my Will is that a Division be made of the whole in three months time after her marriage & the Child or Childrens part to be put out to Interest by my Executors for the use of the said Child or Children

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 Lastly I Do hereby Nominate & appoint my beloved wife
 Sarah Groskey, Me^{rs} Anthony Matthews Sen^r & Jun^r
 To be my Executors & Executors to this my last will and
 Testament hereby Revoaking & making void all former
 Will or Wills heretofore by me made In Witness whereof
 I have hereunto set my hand & Seal this Fifteenth
 Day of March Anno Dom 1722/3

John Groskey
 Signed Sealed in the Presence of us
 James Matthews & At a Council held at the Council
 Law Coullietie Chamber in Charles Town April 22^d
 Cha. Pinchney 1724

The within Will was proved by the oaths of
 James Matthews Lawrence Coullietie two of the Witnes
 thereto & the oaths of an Executor Administered to the three
 Execut^{rs} therein appointed

In Council April 28th 1724.
 The within Will was then proved by the oath of M^r Cha.
 Pinchney the other Witnes thereto & Letters Testamentary
 granted to the Execut^{rs} therein appointed
 Test Wm Tanley

South Carolina

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

These are to authorize & Impower you or any three or
 four of you whose names are, Underwritten to repair to all such
 parts & places within this Province as you shall be directed
 unto by Anthony Matthews Sen^r & Anthony Matthews Jun^r
 Execut^{rs} of the last Will & Testament of John Groskey, Dec^d
 Wheresoever any of the Goods of the said Deces
 are or do remain within the said parts & places which
 shall be shown to you by the said Anthony Matthews Sen^r and
 Anthony Matthews Jun^r & there View & appraise & sell
 the said Goods being first Sworn on the holy Evangelist
 to make a full & perfect Inventory & appraisement

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 And to cause the same to be returned under your hands &c
 if any three or four of you into the Secretarys Office in Charles
 Town in order to be recorded on or before the First Day of
 May next ensuing.

To M^r Robert Tradd
 M^r Francis Holmes
 M^r Isaac Holmes
 M^r Benj^m Massey &
 M^r Henry Perreoucan

Given under my hand this 23^d
 Day of January in the thirteenth
 year of his Majesties Reign
 Anno Dom 1726

Arthur Middleton

Or any three or four of them
 By his Hon^{ble} Command
 Cha. Hart Secy
 26 March 1727

Recorded

Deed of Gift from Mary Driver to her Children

To all Christian people to whom these presents shall come greeting
 That I Mary Driver of Winyaw in Raven County of South Carolina Widow
 for the good Will Love and affection that I bear and do bear unto my Dear Husband
 Whose Good I give unto my Eldest Son John Driver one Cow one Yearling and
 their increase to him his heirs Executors Administrators or assigns whatsoever
 and one Gun, and the said Marks Thosoms as mine only some small distinction
 made likewise for the good will love and affections that I bear and do bear unto
 my Youngest Son William Driver one Cow and Yearling & their increase to him
 his heirs Executors Administrators or assigns whatsoever, likewise for the good
 will Love and affection that I bear and do bear unto my Eldest Daughter
 Susanah Elizabeth Driver one Cow and Calf and a Two year old Calf and Yearling
 and their increase to her and her heirs for ever, and likewise for the good will
 Love and affection that I bear and do bear unto my Youngest Daughter Sarah
 Driver two Cows and Calves and one yearling and their increase to her and her
 heirs for ever, Whereunto I set my hand and Seal the 27th of September in
 our Lord 1726.

Signed Sealed & Delivered
 In the presence of
 Humphrey Haskins
 the Master of
 John Green
 John Smith

Relinquish

The Mark of
 MD Mary Driver

Recorded