

Southern Carolina The Last Will and Testament of John Boydson

In the name of God Amen I John Boydson of the Town you may being in Perfect health and sound in mind and memory thanks be to god for the same I do make Consideration of my last will and Testament in manner and following, that is to say first and foremost, I recommend my soul to God that gave it, hoping that thro' the meritorious death of my Lord & Saviour Jesus Christ, that out of his great mercy, he will forgive me my sins, and make me happy in his kingdom, I recommend my body to the Earth from whence I came to be decently Buried at the Discretion of my Executors after name, and after my debts and funeral expenses are paid I give and bequeath to my only beloved Brother Joseph of Charleston Town, in South Carolina, house & Carriage and every Part and Parcel of my real & personal estate whatsoever to him and his heirs for ever, & further I do hereby nominate and appoint in this my last will & Testament, dear and loving Brother John Baptiste of the same Town, and Sole Executor of this my last will and Testament, his heirs Executors or assigns, to act and do in all things according to the True intent and meaning of this my last will, faithfully by this my last will and Testament, not to relinquitly retract and make void all former wills by me at any time made whatsoever. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this Twentieth day of May in the year of our Lord God one thousand Seven hundred and Sixty and Seven the year of our Independence by the grace of God of great Britain France & Spain Defenders of the faith

This will is witnessed by us to be the above will and Testament of John Boydson, it being Written and Contained in one single Sheet of Paper.
Witnessed the word Thirty in the last line every three was entered before Signed & Delivered
Joseph Hawkins
Susannah Hawkins
James Scott

3 Oct 1726
Recorded of
Chas. Hoot

the 30th of 1726 In witness whereof I John Boydson personally appeared before the James Scott one of the my Witnesses to the above will being duly sworn on Evangelists declare he was present and did see the said John Boydson sign Seal Publish and declare this as Instrument to be his last will and Testament and at that time (being the time the same bears date) of said will disposing mind memory and understanding to the Deponent, into knowledge and this Deponent saith the said Joseph Hawkins & Susannah Hawkins the subscribers Witnesses set their hands thereto as such Provinces of the said Testator to this document and also his name as such in the said Testator's Presence and request and this Deponent saith that the said Joseph Hawkins and Susannah Hawkins are both true and good

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

To all to whom these presents shall come, I know ye that on the second day of September in the year one thousand Seven hundred and Seventy six the last will and Testament of John Boydson deceased was proved approved & allowed of the said deceased having whilst he lived and at the time of his decease good rights and credits within the Province aforesaid by means whereof the approbation and allowing of this Testator and the power of granting the admission of all and singular the goods rights and credits of the said deceased to also the Auditing Accounts Calculations and recoverings of the said admission to the finally Dismission and discharge from the same to me is manifestly known to belong so that the admission of all & singular the goods rights and credits of the said deceased to his Executors in the manner of way concerning was submitted unto John Baptiste named Executor in the said will & Testament being sworn on the holy Evangelists of Almighty God with band faithfully to administer

The said *John Boydell* late of the said Province of South Carolina deceased and to be taken into the Secretary's Office in Charles Town in order to be recorded at or before the first day of December, now next ensuing to render a just and true Account Calculation & reckoning when thereunto required

In Testimony Whereof I have unto set my hand and Seal this day of September in the thirtieth year of His Majesty's reign Anno Domini

Witnessed
Char: Hart Secy
At Middleton

South Carolina War of Appraisement

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

These are to authorize and empower you or any two of you whose names are hereunder written to repair to such Parks and Places within this Province as you shall direct unto by John Boydell Esq^r of the last will and testament of the said John Boydell late of this Province deceased whosoever of the goods of the said deceased are or do remain within the said places which shall be shewn to you by the said John Boydell and there view and appraise all and every of the said goods being first sworn on the holy Evangelists to make a full Perfect Inventory and appraisement and to cause the same returned under your hands or of any three or four of you to the Secretary's Office in Charles Town in order to be recorded before the first Day of December next ensuing

To Mr. Andrew Allon
Mr. William Smith
Mr. Withers
Mr. Jeremiah Milner &
Mr. Elias Hancock
Or any three or four of them
By his hon^{ble} Command
Char: Hart Secy

South Carolina Inventory of John Boydell
By John Boydell his Executor
A full and Perfect Inventory & Appraisement

All and singular the goods Chattels rights & Credits of John Boydell of this Province deceased late deceased as they were shewn by John Boydell Esq^r Executor of the Last will and Testament of the said deceased in the appraisement appointed by and sworn pursuant to a Warrant of Appraisement hereunto annexed bearing date the second day of September Anno Domini 1726 Under the hand of the hon^{ble} Arthur Middleton Esq^r President when the Third & Fifth days of September 1726

In the first Chamber

One old Chest of Drawers	3
Five y ^d of Course Sheet	10
a Parcel of old Table Linen	2
One Hat	5
One coat, Waistcoat & a y ^d of Stockings	3
One small Bolster, a pillow Bedstead & a Paragon	15
a Cot bed and Bolster	7
a Silver plated Sword	20

In the second Chamber

a Curtain Rod	2
one Table	2
one Rug and pair of old Blankets & Curtain	2

In the Third Chamber

Two feather beds two Bolsters two rug & 2 short beds	2
In the first Room below Stairs	2

one old Table 10 and one bolt 10	2
In the back shed room below Stairs	2

one feather bed a Bolster 2 Sheet a Coverlet & Bedstead	2
one Chest	2
one Table	2
Three Blankets and an old rug	2
one Carpet	2

Two pair of Breach or two Carps one Neck Two	2
Turn over one Towel one Wigg & a Cap	2
Two old Coats and three Sacks	2
one old Sword & a Sword blade	2
one old bed sack and an old Bedstead	2

In the second room below Stairs	2
Two Old Tables and one Carpet	2
Two dozen of old Chains and a Cuck	2
One Dial Clock	2
One Back Gammon Table	2
One Parcel of Pewter 1 y ^d Two Tankards one y ^d Plate	2
Two Pints a half Pint & a half Gallon Pott	2

Carried Over	209.10
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Brought Over
 One pair of Iron and two old trying Larn
 Three pair of Doggs
 Three Smoothing Irons
 Two Iron Poles two Pot hooks & one Pot hanger
 One Old Copper
 Two small brass Kettles Four Lammers Two brass
 Sauce pans, One Copper box one old Sea Pot
 one old Copper Stove pan and an old Chasing
 Tin Ware
 2 parcels of Old Iron Ware
 2 small Parcels of old brass candle Nicks broken
 2 Parcels of light Damascened Steel Skins
 Three Barrels of Sower Cider & Seven empty Cans
 One Couch bed Head
 One old Sign board
 One small Table
 One Bed Head a Quilt one bed two pillow Van枕
 One large Case with fifteen large Bottles
 One old Table
 Eight Knives and Six old Forks
 Eleven old Petty Pans
 Two old Pails & an old half Bushel
 one Milk and one Jack
 one old Saddle and one Iron bound Cask
 one small Stock bed
 one Shovel board Table & eight brass Plates
 a Horse and a Mare
 a Negro man slave Called Phillis
 an Indian woman Slave called Philista
 a Negro Woman called Betty to serve a year
 a Negro boy called Tom
 an Indian Boy Slave called Dick
 one Decanter and a parcel of glasses & salt
 Three bottles
 Two Pewter Dishes & Soup plates a Pint Pot a
 parcel of Mustard Seeds & 4 small used ones
 warming Pan & one hammer
 Four old Silver Spoons
 Two Catouch Boxes
 One old Chest
 Five brass Cocks a Tap bar & a Large Gimlet
 One of old Sticks
 2 Parcels of Tobacco
 Six Gallons of Rum
 Part of a Pipe of Wine

Carried Forward

Brought Over
 2 Parcels of Empty Cask
 one old Pew Fish and a Plate
 Two old sheets Two waist coats one of Breeches Two
 pair of Stockings Two necks one handkerchief &
 Capps Three Wiggs and a Coat
 One Gun
 Nine Doz bottles of Ordinary Cider
 Part of a Town Lots in Charles Town with a dwelling
 house out houses and buildings thereon
 2 Parcels of Sugar

Total 229 1/2

The foregoing appraisement amounts to the sum of Two
 Thousand Two Hundred Twenty and four Pounds Current money
 of South Carolina given under our hands this Tenth day of Sept
 1726

Wm Smith
 Jeremiah Milner
 Elias Hancock

South Carolina

Memorandum that on this present thirdday of September
 anno Domini 1726 personally came and appeared before me
 Alexander Parich Esq one of his Majesty's justices of the
 Peace for the County of Orange William Sir the Jeremiah Milner and
 Elias Hancock being three of the appraisers appointed in & by
 the within Warrant of appraisement, and were sworn on the holy
 Evangelists of Almighty God to make a full and perfect
 Inventory & appraisement of all such goods of John Boyden
 late deceased as should be due to them by John Boyden
 Executor of the Last will of John Boyden and to cause due
 return to be made of the same

Alexander Esq

October 1726

Recorded at Court

South Carolina

Inventory of John Boyden deceased

A full and perfect Inventory and appraisement
 of all and singular the goods Chattels rights & Credits of John Boyden
 late deceased as they were shown by William Parich Executor of the Last
 Deceased unto us the Appraisers appointed by the Court Pursuant