

In the Name of God Amen

Gibson Clapp of Dorchester in Berkeley County in the Province of South Carolina Merchant being Sane & Weak in Body, but of Sound disposing Mind Memory & Understanding, thanks be given to Almighty God for the Same and considering the uncertainty of this Mortal Life, and knowing that is appointed all men once to Die and being Willing and desirous to settle my Temporal Affairs do make and Declare these Presence to be and Contain my Last will and Testament Principally

Recommending my Temporal Spirit into the Hands of my great Creator, Trusting in the Merits of my blessed Saviour for Pardon and Pardons of all my Sins and an happy Admittance into the Regions of Bliss and Immortality; and my body I Commit to the Earth whence it was taken to be Decently Buried at the discretion of my Executors herein after appointed, and touching the disposition of Such Worldly Estate with which it hath Pleased Almighty God to bless me I Give, devise and bequeath the Same in manner and from Following, That is to Say

I will

I will and Order that all my Just Debts and Funeral Expenses be paid and discharged within a convenient time after my decease.

I Give Devise and bequeath unto my beloved Wife Sarah Clapp All my wearing Apparel, together with all my Household stuff and Furniture which is not herein after otherwise particularly devised, and also my two large Silver Salvers, Six Large Silver Spoons one Silver Teapot and one Silver milk pot To have and to hold the Same to her my said Dear Wife her Executors & Administrators and Assigns for ever.

I Give devise and bequeath unto my said beloved Wife five Negro Slaves. Named Lucy, Nancy, Martilla, Habbell and Hannah together with all their future Issue Increase To have and to hold the Same to my said Wife her Executors Administrators and Assigns for Ever,

I Give devise and bequeath unto my said beloved Wife The Sum of Five thousand Pounds Current Money of this Province, to be paid her by my Executors herein after Named the one half thereof within one Year and the other half within two others next after my Decease, And it is my intent and meaning that if Said Payments shall

be

be made according as the Rate of Exchange between
this province and London now governs, that is to say at
the rate of Seven for one whether the Exchange be
really higher or lower on the Respective days of Payment
as aforesaid and which said Sum of five thousand Pounds
Current Money I Give devise and bequeath unto my
Said beloved Wife her Executors Administrators Assigns for
ever * * * * *
from I Give devise and bequeath unto my Said beloved Wife
the use and occupation of my Dwelling House, in
which I now live in Dorchester, together with the
Appurtenances, and Hereditaments thereto belonging
and Appertaining, And also the use and Occupation of
my Tract of one hundred Acres of Land near the Said
Town of Dorchester which I Purchased from Jacob Satier
to have and to hold the Said Habitation and Residence
During the term of her Natural Life I Will Order and
Direct that my Said Executors or The Major Part of them
shall and do within the Said term of two Years next
after my Decease build and Erect on the South East
Corner of my Town Lot of Land in Charles Town which,

Jas

I Purchased from Thomas Tatnell a good and
Sufficient Wooden Dwelling house of two Storeys
thirty five feet in Length and nineteen feet in Width
and also a Kitchen of fifteen feet in Length and
twelve feet in Width which shall be built and finished
in plain work but in a Substantial Workman like
manner and shall be paid for by my Executors out
of my Estate, And the Use and Occupation Rents
Issues and Profits of the Said House and Kitchen
And also of the Said Town of Land So Purchased by me
from Thomas Tatnell, except such part thereof as is
hereafter devised to my Daughter Elizabeth I Give
devise and bequeath unto my said beloved Wife to have
hold Occupy Possess and Enjoy the same during the
term of her natural Life and after the Death of my
Said Wife I Give Devise and bequeath the said part of the
Said Town Lott Houses and Premises, unto my beloved
Son Giffon (Lapp) his Heirs and Assigns for ever
I Give my mind and Will intent and meaning is, that whatever
is herein before, in this my Will given devised or bequeath

Into

Into my said wife or is intended so to be. If
 Given devised and bequeathed unto my said in-
 law and a Recompence and full Satisfaction
 of all Jointure Dower and thirds whatsoever which
 my said wife is, or shall or may be intitled unto in
 or out of my Estate, by any Law or Usage whatsoever,
 And as such, shall be Excepted acknowledge,—
 Received and taken by my said Wife and no other ways
 and in case my said Wife shall not so Excepted
 acknowledge Receive and take the same, than I do
 hereby Revoke and disannull the said Devises and
 bequests and whatsoever therein is contained I Give
 devise and bequeath to and among my three Children
 Gifford Clapp, Elizabeth Clapp, and Mary Clapp,
 and any other Child that shall be born of the body of
 my said Wife, at the time of my Decease within
 nine Months next after my Decease, their Heirs
 Executors Administrators and Assigns for ever
 Item I Give devise and bequeath unto my beloved
 Daughter Elizabeth Clapp my two Negros—

Named

Named Satorah and Sillah and six other of
 my Large Silver Spoons one black Walnut ..
 Tree Bureau, and one Large Bible, and one
 feather Bed, Bedstead and Bedfurniture but
 in case my said Daughter Elizabeth should
 Die before she attain her age of nineteen
 Year or Day of Marriage, than I Give
 devise and bequeath the same to my
 beloved Daughter Mary Clapp her
 Executors Administrators & Assigns for ever
 Item Whereas Mr. Sarah Fenwick in and by
 her Last Will and Testament did Give and bequeath
 unto my said Daughter Elizabeth the Sum
 of five hundred Pounds Current Money, which
 hath since the Death of the said Sarah Fenwick
 been paid unto my Hands, I Do hereby in
 Lieu and full Satisfaction thereof to my said
 Daughter Give devise and and bequeath unto
 my said Daughter Elizabeth the Sum Two
 Thousand Pounds Current Money of the
 Province

Province aforesaid to be paid to my said Daughter According to the Rate of Exchange aforesaid by my Executors hereafter Named when she shall Attain her age of nineteen Years or Day of Marriage which shall first happen, but in Case my said Daughter Elizabeth Should happen to dye before she Attain her said age of nineteen Years without Issue of her body Law fully begotten then I Give Devise and bequeath the said Sum of two thousand Pounds shall be committed and go in the same manner as the sum of five hundred Pounds is by the will of the said M^r Fenwicke committed and directed

Item I Give devise and bequeath unto my said Dear Daughter Elizabeth Clapp the Further Sum of three thousand Pounds Current money of the Province aforesaid to be paid her

by

By my Executors as aforesaid according to the rate of Exchange as aforesaid with in a twelve Month next after her Day of Marriage or her attaining her age of twenty one years which shall first happen but in Case my said Daughter Elizabeth should happen to Dye before she attains her said age of twenty one Years or Day of marriage as aforesaid than I Give Devise and bequeath the said Sum of three thousand Pounds as aforesaid to any Child that shall be hereafter born of the body of my said Wife at the time of my Decese or within nine months next after, and If I shall happen to have no such child born of the body of my Wife as aforesaid than I Give the Same unto my son Gibson Clapp his Executors administrators and Assigns for Ever

Item I do hereby order and direct that my Executors

herein

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Herein after named shall and do out
of my Estate Build Erect and finish,
by the time my Daughter Elizabeth shall
or may attain her Age of Twenty one
Years on the north East Corner of my
said Lot Purchased from Thomas Tatnell
aforesaid a Dwelling House and Kitchen
of the same Dimensions and in the
same manner with that herein before
Directed to be built on the other part
of my said Lot for my wife and the use
and Occupation Rents Issues and Profits
of the said House and Kitchen together
with the north Eastermost Part or Corner
of the said Town Lot containing twenty
feet in front ^{on the street} and Eighty feet in Depth
from East to West, Together also with the use
of an Alley five feet in Width and forty
feet Depth on the South side of the

said
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Said last mentioned part of the
said Lot, I Give Devise and Bequeath
to my said Daughter Elizabeth Clapp
to have hold Occupy ^{Poss} and Enjoy the
same from the time of attaining
her age of Twenty one Years for
and during the term of her natural
Life and from and Immediately after
the Death of my said Daughter
Elizabeth Clapp I Give Devise and
bequeath the use Occupation, Rent
Issues and Profits thereof unt my
said beloved Wife Sarah Clapp if she
shall hapen to survive my said Daugh-
ter Elizabeth for and During the term
of her Natural Life and from and
Immediately after the Deaths of both
my said Daughter Elizabeth, and
my said Wife Sarah I Give Devise
and bequeath the said House Kitchen

and

And Part of the said Town Lott and
 Primmises unto my beloved Son Gilson
 Clapp his Heirs and Assigns for ever
 Item I Give devise and bequeath unto my be-
 loved Daughter Mary Clapp my two
 Negre Slaves named Clarinda and
 Sarah, and Six other of my large Silver
 Spoons and one feather Bed bedstead
 and bed furniture But in case my
 said Daughter Mary should happen
 to Die before her age of nineteen or
 Day of Marriage then I Give devise
 and bequeath the same to my Daughter
 Elizabeth Clapp her heirs Executors
 Administrators and Assigns for Ever
 Item Whereas Mrs Sarah Fenwicke
 in and by her last will and Testament
 did also Give and bequeath unto my
 said Daughter Mary the sum of five
 hundred Pounds Current Money which
 hath since the Death of the said Sarah

Fenwick



Fenwicke being paid into my
 hands, I do hereby in Lieu and full
 Satisfaction thereof ~~to my~~ said Daugh-
 ter Give, Devise and bequeath unto
 my said Daughter Mary the sum of
 two Thousand Pounds Current money
 of the Province aforesaid to be paid
 to my said Daughter Mary according
 to the rate of exchange aforesaid,
 by my Executors hereafter named
 when she shall attain her age of
 nineteen Years or Day of Marriage
 but in case my said Daughter
 Mary should happen to Die be-
 fore she attain her age of nine-
 teen Years without Issue of her body
 Lawfully begotten then I Give Devise
 and bequeath the said sum of two
 thousand Pounds as aforesaid to
 my Daughter Elizabeth Clapp



Her Executors Administrators
and Assigns for ever It being my
mind and intent that the said Sum
of Two Thousand Pounds shall be
Limitted and go in the same manner
as the sum of five hundred Pounds
is by the will of the Said Mrs Jenwicke
Limitted and Directed.

Item I Give devise and bequath unto my
said Daughter Mary Clapp the
Further Sum of Three Thousand Pounds
Current money of the Province
aforesaid to be Paid her by my Executors
as aforesaid according to the rate
of Exchange as aforesaid within a
twelve Month next after her Day
of Marage or her attaining her
age of one and Twenty Years which
shall first happen. But in Case my

said

Said Daughter Mary should happen
to Dye before she attains her said Age
of Twenty one years of Day of Marriage
as aforesaid, Then I Give Devise and
bequeath the said Sum of Three Thousand
Pounds as aforesaid to any Child that
shall be hereafter born of the body of
said Wife at the time of my Decease
or with nine months next after, and
If I shall happen to have no such child
born of the Body of my said Wife as
aforesaid then I Give the Same to my
Son Giffon Clapp his Executors Admin
and Assigns for ever.

Item My will and Meaning is that my said
Children Giffon Clapp Elizabeth Clapp
Mary Clapp and any other Child or Children
that shall be born of the body of my said Wife
at the time of my Decease or within nine
months next after my Decease shall
be maintained and Educated Suitable

to

To their Degree, of the Profits of my whole Estate not including any Part thereof which is before devised to my said Wife and without breaking into or Leasing the Principal Sums of the Money Legacies herein before particularly Devised to my said Children And I will Order and Direct that the Accounts of the Expence arising by the Maintenance and Education of my said Children and of the Profits and Income of my said Estate be settled, adjusted and brought to a balance Yearly and Every Year till all my said Children Attain their Respective Ages or Days of Marriage as aforesaid.

Item I will Order and Direct that my House and Lands in, or near Dorchester, that are hereby before devised to my wife for the Term of two Years be Sold by my Executors but not before the

expiration

Expiration of two Years next after my Decease but as soon after as they can meet with Purchasers and the money arising by the sale thereof and also all the rest and Residue of my Plate together with my Large Bible Binding whereof is Gwelt and all my other Books, and all the rest and Residue of my Estate of what nature kind or Quality So ever as well Real or Personall I shall Dye Seized or Possessed of Interested in or intitled unto I Give Devise and bequeath unto my beloved Son Giffon Clapp His Heirs Executors Administrators and Assigns for ever. Subject Nevertheless to the maintenance and Education of my Children as aforesaid And in Case my said Son Giffon Clapp should happen to Dye before he attains his Age of Twenty one Years with out Issue of his body.

Lawfully

Lawfully Begotten then I Give
Devise and bequeath the said Money's
Plate Books Rest Repose and Remainder
of my said Estate to my said two Daughters
Elizabeth and Mary Clapp and Such
other ^{children} Children as shall be born of the
body of my said Wife at the time of my
Decease or within nine Months next after
their Heirs Executors Administrators and
Assigns for ever equally to be Divided
between them Share and Share alike,
they my said Children Paying their out
the sum the Sum of the Thousand—
Pounds Current Money, aforesaid at
the Exchange aforesaid to my said beloved
Wife Sarah Clapp Her Executors Administrators
and Assigns for ever.

Item and in Case I should have any
other Child born of body of my said
Wife at the Time of my Decease, or with
in nine Months next after my Decease
my said two Daughters Elizabeth and Mary

being



Being then I Give Devise and bequeath
to Such child the Sum of four Thousand
Pounds Current Money of the Province
to be paid According to the rate of
Exchange aforesaid in manner Following
that is to say, one Thousand Pounds to
be paid out of the Money hereunto before
Devise to my said Wife one Thousand
Pounds out of the Money Devise to my
Daughter Elizabeth One Thousand and
Pounds out of the Money Devise to
my Daughter Mary. and one Thousand
Pound out of the Money's Residuum
Divided to my said Son Gifford Clapp
and which said Sum of four Thousand
Pounds shall be paid to the said Child at
its age of Twenty one Years or Day of
Marriage which shall first happen by my
said Executors who I do hereby Authorize
impower and Require to Stop the said
Respective Sums of Money. one Thou-
sand Pounds from my said Wife and

Three



Three Children Respectively any Thing
in this my will before to the contrary contain-
ed Notwithstanding

Item in case it should Please God that all my
said Three Children Giffon Clapp Elizabeth Clapp
& Mary Clapp should happen to depart this Life be-
fore their Respective ages of Twenty one Years or Day of
Marriage as aforesaid then I Give devise & bequeath all my
said Estate Reall and Personall herein before mentioned
(other than what is herein before Particularly devised to my
said wife) to any other Child or Children that I shall have born
of my Body of my said Wife at the time of my decease, or within nine
months next after my decease to have & to hold the same to such child
His or her Heirs Executors Administrators and Assigns for ever.

Item and in case it should further Please God that all my said
Children Giffon Clapp, Elizabeth Clapp, & Mary Clapp & such other
Child to be born or to be born of my Body of my said wife within nine months
next after my decease, should happen to depart this Life before they attain
their Respective Ages of twenty one years or Day of Marriage as aforesaid
then and in such case I Give Devise & bequeath All my
Lands and Real Estate whatsoever lying and being in the parish
of St James Santee, & in the Parish of Prince George Winyars,

and

And also One Moiety or half Part of my said Personall
Estate whatsoever and wheresoever (herein before devised unto
among my Children) unto my said beloved Wife Sarah Clapp her
Heirs Executors Administrators and Assigns for ever, and all other my Real
Estate whatsoever and wheresoever I Give Devise and bequeath unto
my said Children I Give Devise and bequeath unto
my beloved Sister Sarah Blake the Wife of
Col^l Joseph Blake her Heirs Executors Administrators
for ever.

Item and in case it should also further Please
God that my said Dear Wife should happen to Die
before my said Children, and my said Children
before they attain their Respective Ages of twenty
one Years or Day of Marriage as aforesaid then
I Give Devise and bequeath the whole of my said
Estate as well Real as Personall (herein before
Devised to my said Children) unto my said beloved
Sister Sarah Blake her Heirs Executors Administrators
and Assigns for ever.

Item my mind and will is and I do hereby so Order and direct
that after Payment of my Legacies to my wife as aforesaid, all the
money arising by the sale of my Dorchester Lands herein before
directed to be sold by or from my Personall Estate & also of Rents Issues
Profits of my Real Estate & Plantations & after Payment of all
Charges thereon shall be put out at Interest by my Executors

On Good Securities and out of ^{my} Interest arising there
from I Order direct my said Children shall be maintained and
Educated as aforesaid to the time of their Respective Ages or Day
of Marriage as aforesaid and the Rest and Residue of
the said Interest after maintaining and Educating my
said Children as aforesaid I Give Devise & bequeath
unto my said son Giffon Clapp his Executors
Administrators and Assigns for Ever.

Item I Do hereby authorize and Impower my
Executors to Renew my Articles in ^{my} Friendly Society
and take Additional Copartnership Entered into by ^{my}
Majority of ^{my} members thereof to Transact and
Accomplish All matters Relating thereto for my son
Giffon Clapp or my other Children on account of
my Houses & Tenements Insured in ^{my} said Society as
fully as my son or children might or could do if he or
they were of full age. # # # # #

Item I do desire & Impower my said wife to give and Dispose of ten
morning rings in such manners to such Persons as she
shall think fit to make a Charge thereof to my said Estate
and

And Lastly I do hereby Nominate constitute
and appoint my Dear Wife Sarah Clapp my loving Sister Sarah
Blake & my good Friends Coll^d J^r Lynch Coll^d Joseph Blake
W^m W^m Lenthwaite, Guardians of ^{my} Persons & Estates of my said
Children till they severally Attain their Ages of Twenty
one years or day of Marriage & I do hereby also Nominate constitute
and appoint them Executrices & Executors of this my Last will
& Testament: & I do hereby Utterly Revoke annul & make void
all former & other Wills by me heretofore made declaring the
Presents to be contain my Last will & Testament. In witness
whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this second Day
of December Anno Domini one Thousand Seven hundred &
thirty Seven And in ^{my} Eleventh Year of her Majesty's Reign.

Giffon Clapp

I the above named Giffon Clapp do hereby make add to my
foregoing Last will and Testament this Codicil to the same
hereby ratifying & confirming my said will in every Article
thereof in which it is not Altered by this Codicil that is to
say whereas I am seized and possessed of interested in or
intituled unto a certain Tract of Land containing
about

About fourteen or fifteen hundred Acres be the same
 more or less Situate lying and being in or near the Town-
 ship of Williamsburg in Craven County in y^e Province
 aforesaid Now Do hereby Authorise and empower my
 Executors in my said will mentioned y^e Survivors or
 Survivor of them to Sell Alien & Dispose thereof for the
 most money that can be got for the said Land if my
 said Executors or the Survivors or Survivor of them
 shall in their Judgment and discretion think it more
 for the advantage of my son Gilson Clapp his Executors
 Admors & Assigns for w^{ch} to be by my said Executors
 used and Employed in their Discretion for y^e benefit and
 advantage of my said son In Witness whereof I
 have hereunto set my hand and Seal this 6th
 day of February Anno Domini 1737

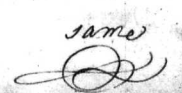
Signed Sealed & Published by y^e said Testator Gilson Clapp
 as for & in Decree to his Last will and Testament in Presence
 of us who in his Presence And at his Request
 have subscribed our names as witnesses hereto

Garden
 In Moultre
 Cth Pinckney

Signed Sealed Pronounced Published and
 declared by the within Testator Gilson Clapp as for
 his Last will and Testament in Presence of us who
 in his Presence, at his request have signed
 our names as Witnesses hereto. In y^e 4th 11th 11th 11th
 the words (and such other Child or Children as
 shall be hereafter born of the Body of my said
 wife at y^e time of my Decease or within nine
 months next after) being first interlined between
 the tenth and Eleventh lines in the third sheet
 and the word (Children) between the Eleventh and
 & twelfth lines of y^e said sheet being also first interlined

Ph. Mafsey
 Cth Pinckney
 Robt Preston Jun^r

Before The Honourable William Bull Esq^r
 President & Ordinary of the Province of South Carolina On
 the 3rd Day of April 1738 Personally Came and appeared
 Cth Pinckney and Phillip Mafsey two of the Witnesses
 of the within Instrument of writing who being duly
 sworn on the holy Evangelists of almighty God Declared
 they where Present & saw y^e within named Gilson Clapp
 The Testator sign seal Publish and declare the

same


Same as and for his Last Will and Testament and that
 he was at the same time of sound and disposing mind
 memory and understanding to the best of the Deponents
 knowledge and that they severally subscribed their
 names as Witnesses together with Robert Rockston Jun^r
 in Presence of the said Testator & at his Request & of
 said Charles Pinckney further Deposed that he saw
 of said Gibson Clapp sign Seal & Publish & Declare
 of Codicil written to the said Last will &
 Testament annexed to be part & Parcel of his said
 Last will and Testament & that he was likewise of
 sound & disposing mind memory & understanding
 at the time of Doing thereof and that he saw
 Alexander Garden and John Moultrie sign their
 Names thereto as Witnesses and they all subscribed in
 Presence & at the request of the said Testator
 Edm^d De sworn for Blake & W^m^{son} Lintwaite as Exors

Recorded August the 8th 1738.

In the name of God Amen this twenty second
 day of July in the Year of our Lord one thou-
 sand seven hundred & twenty five I Thomas
 Broughton of the Parish of Saint John in Berkeley County
 in the Province of South Carolina Esq^r being in Perfect^{Health}
 & of sound & disposing mind memory & understanding
 Thanks be given to almighty God for the same & considering
 the uncertainties of this Transitory life do make Publish &
 Declare this my last will & Testament in manner &
 form following that is to say. I recommend & commend
 my soul into the hands of my blessed Lord & Saviour
 Jesus Christ hoping thro' the merits of his Death
 and Passion to inherit Everlasting and Eternal^{Life}
 Happ^{ness} as for the Worldly Estate both Real and
 Personal with which it hath pleased Almighty God
 to bless me with and bestow upon me (Except what I
 have heretofore settled and conveyed) I give Devise
 and bequeath in manner and form and to the Use
 severally use ends intents and purposes herein
 after particularly mentioned Expressly Declared
 that is to say I give and bequeath to my