

South Carolina

In the Name of God Amen. The humble Declaration of
July in the Year of our Lord one thousand seven
hundred and thirty six Jonathan Whelden of the
County of Berkeley and parish of Christ Church being very
sick and weak out of good and perfect remembrance
praised be Almighty God desiring that I am
naturally born and ordained to die and to part from
this mortal world and transitory life minding to
put in order as well of all and singular my Goods
and chattels whatsoever I have &c. To make and
ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner
and form as followeth

Item I recommend my Soul into the hands of
Almighty God my Saviour Jesus Christ in whom alone
I trust to be gloriously saved and for my Body I commit
it to the Earth to be decently Buried at the discretion of
my Executors whom I shall hereafter name and for
my temporal Estate I give devise and dispose of the
same in the form and manner following.

Item I desire that all my Just Debts and Funeral
expences be first paid and allowed.

Item I desire that Tract and parcel of Land I have on
Santee River containing two hundred Acres to
be sold for ready Money

Item I desire that my Tract of Land wherein I now
live be equally divided among all my sons equally
part and part alike only my eldest Son to have
his first choice.

Item

Item I leave to my loving Wife Six Cows and Calves
to be taken out before the Estate be divided or shar'd
And likewise to each of my Daughters three
Cows and Calves.

Item I likewise desire that my whole Estate besides
these Legacies already given both Negroes Horses
and Cattle and all other my Goods and Chattels
and every thing else be equally divided and
shar'd between my Wife and all my Children each
part and part alike.

Item I likewise appoint authorize and institute my
my eldest Son Jonathan Whelden to be my Executor
and my loving Wife with him Executrix during
her Widowhood and if my Wife marry's it be
wholly delivered up to my Son. And I leave only my
Son and my loving Wife to be my whole and Sole
Executor and Executrix of this my last will and
Testament and I do by these presents utterly
revoke all other Wills and Testaments heretofore by
me made and ordain this Will and no other to
be my last Will and Testament.

In witness whereof I the said Jonathan
Whelden have subscribed this my Will and
Testament with my Own hand & hereunto affix'd
my Seal the day & year above written

Seals pronounced & declar'd and deliver'd
by the said Jonathan Whelden in the presence of three
Witnesses whose Names are hereunto subscribed

This 22th March
William Bollough
Robert Jeffries
John Hartman

Jonⁿⁱ Whelden. (Seal)

By Elias Foyler Esq. Just and by
 virtue of full power from the Honourable the Court
 Governor Personally appeared before me this 21st
 day Jan^y 1736 William Collough and Robert
 Jefferys Two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the
 above Instrument who being duly Sworn on the
 Holy Evangelist declare they were present and
 did see the above Jonathan Milder sign Seal
 publish and Declare the above Instrument
 to be his last Will and Testament, and that he
 was at the same time of good and disposing
 Memory and Understanding to the best of the
 Deponents knowledge and the deponents further
 says that the severally Subscribed their Names
 as Witnesses in the S^d Testators presence
 Together with the other witness John Hartman

Elias Foyler Just^{re}

Recorded March 21st 1736

J. James Michie Secy

In the Name of God Amen the sixteenth
 day of February 1736 by Dunham MacGregor of Orange County
 in the Province of South Carolina Compelled being very sick and
 Weak in body but of perfect mind and generous thanks be given unto
 God, do make and Ordaine this my last Will and Testament, that
 is to say principally and first of all I Give and Recommend my Soul
 into the hands of God that gave it and my body I recommend to the
 Earth to be buried in a Decent Christian Buriall at the Discretion
 of my Executors and as touching such worldly Estate wherewith it,
 hath pleased God to bless me in this life I Give and dispose
 of the same in the manner following to wit
 I Give and bequeath to Mary my Wife the one third part of all
 that I am Owner of, viz. Negroes Cattle and household goods
 Whome I do Constitute make and Ordain my sole Executrix of this
 my last Will and Testament
 I Give and bequeath to my Daughter Elizabeth MacGregor all
 the remaining part of what I am Owner of, I Witness Whereof
 I have hereunto set my hand and Seal the day and year above
 Written

Signed Sealed and Delivered Dunham MacGregor

In Presence of us
 To: Nicholas
 Michel Lewis
 Amos Dyer

March 3rd 1736 this day appeared
 before me the Hon^{ble} Thomas Arundelton
 Esq^r his Majesty's Lieutenant Governor
 and Commander in Chief of this Province

of South Carolina and Ordinary thereof John Nicholas
 Michel Lewis two of the Subscribing Witnesses to this will who being duly
 Sworn, Declare that they were present and saw the Testator Dunham
 MacGregor sign Seal and pronounce this to be his last Will and Testam^{ent}
 and that he was at that time of sound disposing mind Memory, and
 that the other Subscribing Witness Amos Dyer signed her name at the
 same time with him and in presence of the said Testator and that the word
 Witness was written at the same time
 Witness the Hon^{ble} Thomas Arundelton Esq^r his Majesty's Lieutenant Governor