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By the Hon<sup>ble</sup> William Bull Esquire Lieutenant  
Governor and Commander in Chief in and over his Majesty's  
Province of South Carolina and Ordinary of the same. To all to  
whom these presents shall come Greeting Know ye  
That on the seventh Day of March which was in the year of our  
Lord 1680 and soon hundred and thirty eight the said Will<sup>m</sup>  
Testament of Paul Hamilton late of this Province planter  
deceased was proved approved and allowed of the said deceased  
having whilst he lived and at the time of his Death Divers goods rights  
and Credits within the Province aforesaid by means whereof the  
approbation and allowing of his Testament and the power of Grant  
the Administration of all & singular the Goods rights and Credits  
of the said deceased and his Testament any manner of way concern  
was Granted & Committed unto William Edmon John Bee Jun<sup>r</sup>  
& Thomas Sackburell Three of the named Executors in the said  
Last Will and Testament being first sworn On the Holy Evangel  
of Almighty God well & faithfully to administer and make a  
true & perfect Inventory of all & singular the Goods Rights and  
Credits of the said deceased and to Exhibit the same unto the Clerk  
Office in Charles Town in Order to be recorded on or before the  
fourteenth Day of October now next ensuing and to render a  
just & true Account Calculation and reckoning thereof when  
thereunto required

In Testimon<sup>y</sup> of Testimon<sup>y</sup> of  
Wm Bull  
Recorded this 16 day of Novem<sup>r</sup> 1680

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In the Name of God Amen I James  
of Colleton County in the Province of South Carolina  
being at present of perfect and sound memory and judgment  
the Mercy of Almighty God yet Calling to mind the Transitory  
of this present life & that it is appointed for all men Once to  
thought Conscientious to make this my Last Will and Testament  
I to the intent following And first of all I recommend  
to Almighty God who gave it, assuredly believing to have  
full satisfaction by the Merits of my Saviour at the great Day  
of Judgment My Body I recommend to the Earth from whence it had  
Original to be decently interred at the Discretion of my Executors &  
I have hereafter to be named Revoking and disannulling hereby  
all former and other Wills in Writing or by word of Mouth by me  
made or executed and that this shall only be and  
remain my Latter Will and Testament in the terms following  
I bequeath such worldly Effects with which it has pleased  
Almighty God to Bless me I Will Devise & bequeath the same  
in manner following (Vizt) I Will that my Funeral Charges  
and Buriall Debts be truly & justly paid by my Executors and Executors  
to be named as soon as may be after my Decease whosoever  
they shall happen at the pleasure of Almighty God I Give  
bequeath unto my Son Moses the Plantation Containing  
Two Hundred acres of Land on which I now live with the house  
movements Trees Timber & appurtenances thereto belonging  
to him and assigns for ever but if he should die without  
Issue that the said Land be divided equally between my Two  
Daughters Mary and Elizabeth to belong to them and their heirs  
for ever I Give unto my Beloved Wife Rebecca a

I Negro Woman named Imah. The Summe of One hundred Pounds Current Money of the said Province to be paid to her Out of my Estate after my Decease as also her Choice of the best House that at my Decease shall belong to me ~~for~~ <sup>the</sup> ~~the~~ <sup>the</sup> and Furniture besides her thirds of my Moveable Estate as the Law Directs to belong to her And her Heir and Assignes for ever I Will that all the Negroes that shall at my Death belong to me (said Imah Excepted) be Equally divided among my said Children Moses Mary & Elizabeth of also all the Rest of my Personal Estate of what kind soever to be and belong to them in Equal Proportion and their Heir and Assignes after my Decease with Power to my said Exors and Executors hereunto be named if an Equal Division of said Negroes and Personal Estate cannot be agreed on among said Children to sell and Dispose thereof and to the Summe of Price that shall arise thereof among my said Children. And Lastly I Nominate appoint and Ordain John Maycom and Caleb Lowell both of said Province and the said Rebecca my spouse to be the joynt and the Exors & Executors of this my last Will & Testament Investing them with all the power that Law or Justice can deeme to belong or appertain to them in such Cases for Ever in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand this Twenty first Day of January Anno Domini One thousand Seven hundred and thirty seven. 1737

For sayco. *Cal*

Signed & sealed, published and  
Declared as my Last Will in presence

St. Carolina

To James Bulloch Esq.  
 Reposing especial Trust and Confidence in the  
 Integrity care & Circumspection of you the said James Bulloch  
 Have by these presents do give unto you full power and Authority  
 to Examine the several Certificates to the said Will and Testament  
 of Joseph Jarrison late of this Province planter deceased, as shall  
 be brought before you upon their several Corporal Oaths on the holy  
 Evangelists of Almighty God touching the due Execution of the said  
 Will according to the form of the Statute in that Case made and provided  
 And also to Administer the usual Oath to the Executors therein named and  
 you are to return your Doing hereunder your hand and seal for  
 my approbation and allowance.

Memorandum That on the twentyth fourth day of  
March 1768 Thomas Hamilton Scott made oath before me that he  
is present and saw Joseph Grayson deposed sign & publish  
the said deposed instrument of writing to be it contain  
ing last will and testament, and that he believed the said Testator  
at the doing thereof to be of sound and disposing mind memory and  
judgement, and that he likewise saw Hugh Thompson sign his  
name and Margery Grose made her mark as Testator's heirs to  
the said will together with himself the said Deposed all signed their names  
as Witnesses to the same in presence of the said Testator