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Stephen attains his age of twenty one years After which time I order the Profits of each & every
part or share he applies towards his own maintenance and hereby constituting and appointing
my beloved friends Mr. Josias St. Dupree and Mr. William Jamming Executors and my
beloved Wife Executrix of this my last Will and Testament fully confiding in their honour
and Integrity to interpret the same according to my true Intent and meaning and faith-
fully to perform and do their utmost endeavor to fulfill the several dispositions by me
herein made hereby revoking all other Wills by me heretofore made, this declare to be and
only to contain my last Will and Testament written on four Indented pages of paper Inple-
ed under my Seal and Signed this Sixth day of November 1742 and sixteenth year of his
Majestys Reign as also Witnessed on the back hereof in my Presence

Peter Samplet (SEAL)

Signed Sealed Published and declared by the Testator Peter Samplet as and for his
last Will and Testament in the presence of us who signed our names as evidences thereto
presence of the said Testator—The words Divided between the 19th & 20th line of the 3rd Sheet
and (the Profit of) between the 6th & 7th line of the 4th Sheet being first interlined.

Alex^r Brown }
Leonard White }
Jon^s Westbury }

This Will was proved by Virtue of a Jecimus before W^m Whiteside
on the 9th of April 1743/who also Swore the Executors.
Recorded 16th October 1743/

Edward Keating.

In the Name of God Amen.

I Edward Keating of Goosecreek planter being weak in Body but of sound and per-
fect mind & understanding do make publish and declare this my last Will and Testa-
ment in manner and form following that is to say

first & Principally I recommend my Soul into the hands of almighty God the author and giver of life
hoping for Remission of all my sins in and through the Merits Death and sufferings of
my Lord and only Saviour Jesus Christ My body I give to the earth to be decently buried
among my deceased friends at the Discretion of my Executors and I my worldly Estate
I give in manner after mentioned.

Imprimis It is my Will that before any Division be made of all or any part of my estate that the Pecuniary
Legacies hereinafter bequeathed & all my Just and lawfull Debts be paid and
satisfied And if my Creditors are impatient for their money and will not wait untill the
produce of my estate will be sufficient to satisfy their ~~for~~ demands, then it is my Will
that my Executors shall borrow money upon Intrest to satisfy all my said Debts and Legacies
and that they keep my estate in their hands and management whole and entire un-
till the said moneys borrowed be fully paid & give and Devise to my beloved Son Mau-
rice Keating and to his heirs forever all my real estate consisting of four several tracts of
Land within the said Province and containing in the whole about Two thousand and
eight acres of Land.

Item I bequeath unto my said Son Maurice Keating two negro men named Sam and
Wincher my large Bible and all my other books a sett of Surveying Instruments and
a pair of Silver mounted Pistols a Silver hilted small Sword my Gun and my Watch.

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my well beloved daughter her Cross Admonition and

these ten following Slaves to wit Brutus Bibbey Rachel Jack Patty Binah Jane Parrish
Sakia Lindah and their menage together with one horse named Derrick and one Mare
named Pleasant a bridle saddle and furniture

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my five Grand Children Benjamin Simmons Peter Simmons
Edward Simmons Mary Simmons and Elizabeth Allen to each of them five negro Children
of about equal ages with themselves to wit to the said Benjamin Peter and Edward Simmons
two negro boys and to the said Elizabeth Allen and Mary Simmons two Negro Girls to be as-
signed to them and each of them at the time of the Devise of my Estate

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my said Son Maurice Keating and to my said Daughter Rachel
and to each of them six large Silver Spoons and one Silver Copper Box and unto my daughter
Mary Allen I Give one Silver pepper Box the whole to be purchased at the cost of my estate and
all the residue of my plate I Give unto the said Mary Allen Maurice and Rachel Keatings to be
equally divided between them and to their heirs Administrators and Assignes respectively But
in case the said several shares of the plate so bequeathed to them including in my daughter
Allens share six Silver Spoons which I have already given her shall amount to more ounces
of Silver than what I have already given to my daughter Ann Simmons That then they
shall jointly make her share equivalent with each of their shares by given the sufficient quan-
tity of Silver

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my beloved Niece Mary Player one feather bed Mattress
one pair of Sheet two Blankets and one quilt one Bedstead and Curtains one Bolster and
two Pillows one horse and a three year old mare a Saddle Bridle six large Silver
Spoons and one small one together with the sum of five hundred Pounds Current money
I Give and Bequeath unto Eustannah Player Sister of the said Mary Player and to her heirs Ex-
ors Admors & Assignes the sum of two hundred pounds like Current money

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Son in Law Benjamin Simmons his heirs Exors and Admors five
Negroes named Elor Jane Jonny Primus and Sothena

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Son in Law Will Allen his Exors and Admors five Negro Slaves
named Doris Venus Juno Parris and Barbara

Item all my Stock & Chattel within the said Province I Give and Bequeath unto my said Son and
Daughter Maurice & Rachel Keatings together with all my household furniture of what na-
ture and kind so ever to be equally divided between them and to their heirs Exors and
Admors forever and as for the rest and residue of my said Personal Estate It is my Will that
an equal and just Division thereof be made amongst my four Children Ann Simmons
Mary Allen Maurice and Rachel Keatings and that none have a larger Share
thereof than another But as I have some considerable time past given unto my said
Son in Law Benjamin Simmons Negroes to the Value of Seventeen hundred pounds
Current money it is my Intention that so much should be deducted out of his share
of my remaining Slaves & therefore to that end and also to avoid any discord or Dissen-
sion that otherwise might arise I do hereby require that the following method be used and
observed by my Executors in the Division of all my Slaves not hereinbefore bequeathed
or disposed of I will that a just Value and estimation by appraisement be made of all
my said remaining Slaves and that my Executors reduce into written Lists the names of these
Slaves and their prices so that each lot of Slaves be as nigh as possible of equal Value and
these Lists when put into a hat or Box I order first to be drawn by my said Children Mary
Allen Maurice Keating and Rachel Keating and when each of them respectively have drawn
negroes to the amount in value of the said Seventeen hundred Pounds Then I do hereby order
that the remaining Lists be drawn by my said daughter Ann Simmons the said Mary Allen
Maurice and Rachel Keatings untill the whole be finished and the several negroes whose names
are contained in these Lists so respectively drawn by my said Children I Give and Bequeath
unto them and each of them respectively and to each of their respective heirs Exors and Admors
And all surplus moneys that may be in the hands of my Executors after payment of my said Debt
and

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I do also give unto my said four Children to be equally divided between them and to their heirs Exors and Admors for ever and in case my son Maurice Keating should happen to die before he attain the age of twenty one or have issue of his body lawfully begotten Then it is my Will that all my Sands hereintofore devised to him shall be sold and the moneys arising from such sale shall be divided among his surviving Sisters and their respective Exors and Admors And in case my daughter Rachel should die before marriage or before she attain the age of twenty one years that then her share of my said Estate shall be equally divided among the Children of her surviving Sisters and the Children of her brother Maurice if any he should have and to their respective Exors admors and assigns for Ever and I do hereby constitute and appoint my said son in Law Benjamin Simmons and my said son Maurice Keating Executors of this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all former and other wills by me at any time heretofore made and particularly a Will by me Executed at Goose Creek on the nineteenth day of march last

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this twenty Ninth day of July In the year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and forty three

Signed Sealed Published and Declared by the
 Testator to be his last Will and Testament in whose
 presence and at whose request we have hereunto
 Set our Names as Witnesses

John Laurens
 George Nicholas
 John Rattray

South Carolina, the Nineteenth day of October 1743, Personally appeared before me the hon^{ble} William Bull Esq^r Lieutenant Governour & Commander in Chief of the said Province and Ordinary of the same John Rattray George Nicholas two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will who being duly sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God declares that they were present and did see the within named Edw^d Keating Sign & Seal and Publish the within Written to be his last Will and Testament & that he was then of sound and disposing mind memory & understanding that they did Sign there names as Witnesses thereto in the Testators presence and that they saw John Laurens the other subscribing Witness do the same

W^m Bull

Recorded the 20th October 1743.

Suke Stoutenburgh.

South Carolina

In the Name of God Amen.

The Sixteenth day of December in the year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and thirty eight.

I Suke Stoutenburgh of Charles Town in the Province of South Carolina Silver-smith being sick in Body but of sound and disposing Mind and Memory considering that all men are mortal and that the time of Death is uncertain Do therefore make and obtain this to be my last Will and Testament in manner and form following hereby revoking and annulling all and every other and former Will and Testament before this time by me made or declared And

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I commend my soul to the mercies of God my Creator in and through Jesus Christ my blessed Saviour and Redeemer trusting in his Merits and Mediation for the full and free pardon of all my sins and to inherit eternal life My body I Commit to the earth

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