

this Eighteenth Day of November Anno Dom: One thousand Seven hundred

& forty eight
Sealed & Executed in
the Presence of us
Thos. Roybould
Hugh Anderson
Mary Roybould

Richard Linter (L)

This Will was Proved before his Excy the 16th Dec^r
1748 by the Oath of Thomas Roybould & Sarah
Linter Sole Ex^{rs} was Qualified at the same time

In the Name of God Amen. The Twenty ninth day of December
1748 I Benjamin Baker of Berkeley County in the Province of South
Carolina Planter being very weak in body but of Perfect mind & Memory
thanks be given unto God therefore Calling to mind the Mortality of my Body &
knowing that it is Appointed for all men once to die do make & ordain this
my Last Will & Testament That is to say Principally & first of all I do give
& Recommend my Soul unto God that gave it; and my Body to the Earth to be
decently Buried at the Discretion of my Executors Nothing Daring but at ye
general Resurrection I shall receive the Same again by the mighty power
of God. And as touching such worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God
to bless me in this Life I dispose of in the following manner & form
In primis my Will is that my funeral Charges together with all others
of my Lawfull Debt be fully Discharged & Paid Herein I give & Bequeath
unto my my beloved Wife one best feather bed & bedding & Parillion & all
her Wearing apparel & two Large Trunks; and one horse named Terrory
& Womens Saddle & Bridle Here I Leave unto my my Wife full &
uninterrupted Lease Comfortably to dwell on my Plantation on Ashley River
where I now live During her Widowhood ^{so} that my said Plantation
be not abused of which my Executors shall be judges From as to the Rest of
my houses & Battle Houseland goods & Plantation Tools or all my other Per-
sonal Estate my Will is that the Same be Sold Expecting so many of these
things as my Ex^{rs} shall think fit and Convenient to keep for the use & Benefit of my
Beloved Son John & Excepting a Negro Wench named Affy & her two Children
which said three Slaves I do give & Bequeath unto my my beloved wife
Likewise my Will is that my Negro Girl named Affy be with my wife

untill my Little Son John shall become one year older than he now is Here
my will is that afterwards this said Girl Affy shall be either Sold or kept for
my Beloved Son John to whom I give and Bequeath her just as my Executors shall
think fit Here I do give & Bequeath all the Rest of my Slaves not above mentioned
named Duce, George, Robin, Abram, Maria, Diana, Mingo, Bussah, Belinda &
Judy to my said Son John Baker and also my Tract of Land on Ashley River
Containing ^{four hundred} 400 acres and do hereby leave & give my Executors a
full Discretionary Power either to sell these said Legacies of Lands & Slaves -
Bequeathed to my Son John & Put out ye money upon interest for him or keep them
in possession & use just as they shall think most proper Here in case my said Son
John shall die before he comes of age my will is that all my Estate given to him
shall be given to & become ye rights of his Son or Daughter Lawfully begotten if
any such shall then Subsist: But in case of a failure herein I do give and
Bequeath all the said Estate unto the heirs Lawfully begotten of my several
Brothers William, Elihu & James Baker to be Equally Divided
between them and to prevent all misunderstandings & disputes I do hereby
declare that this my Last Will & Testament shall be construed & understood
According to the most Liberal and Obvious meaning thereof. And I do hereby
Constitute & Ordain my Father in Law John Jenkins & my Brother Elihu
Baker to be Executors of this my Last Will & Testament utterly Disavowing
all former Wills & Testaments & declaring this & no other to be my Last Will &
Testament In Witness Whereof I have hereunto Set my Hand & Seal the
day & year above Written

Signed Sealed Published Pronounced & declared
by the Said Ben^y Baker as his Last Will &
Testament in the presence of the Subscribers
Witnessed in the presence of the Testator

Isaac Lehanter
Elihu Baker Sen^r
Mary Baker

Ben^y Baker (L)

This Will was Proved before
his Excy the 27th January 1748 by the
Oath of Isaac Lehanter & John Jenkins one of the Ex^{rs}
was Qualified at the same time N.B. Elihu Baker
was qualified the 10th day of March 1748 before his Excy
the Severer by taking the usual oath

In the Name of God Amen I Elihu Baker Sen^r of Charles Town in the Province of South Carolina Planter, being sick and Weak in Body but of sound mind memory and Understanding praised be God for the Same. Do make and Declare this my Last Will & Testament, in manner following that is to say, First I Will that all my just Dels & Funeral Expenses be duly paid & Satisfied: Also I will give devise and Bequeath unto my Son Isaac Ambrosus Baker All the Southernmost moiety or half part of all that my Lott of Land on White point in Chas^r Town aforesaid where on the Back House is Built wherein I now dwell, Together with the Kitchen & all Appurtenances thereto belonging, To hold to him his Heirs & Assigns for Ever & the Northernmost moiety or other half part of the said Lott, I give devise & Bequeath unto my Son George Baker To hold to him his Heirs & Assigns for Ever: And as to all and singular the rest Residue & Remainder of my Estate Real & Personal or of what Nature & kind the same may be or wheresoever the same shall be found I give devise and Bequeath the same unto my Loving Wife Eliza^{beth} Baker, & my Children; Isaac Ambrosus, George & Mary, to be equally Shared and divided between them part Share & portion alike, And I will and desire that my said Wife during her Widdowhood, that is to say while she shall remain my Widow unmarried, have the sole Care & Management of the persons & Estates of my Children - during their minority & if she thinks proper during that time, to dwell in the House I now Reside And I hereby further Will and direct, That in Case any of my said Children shall happen to die before he or she attain the age of twenty One years or day of marriage the part Share or portion of my Estate herein before given & Bequeathed to such Child or Children so dying shall go to and be equally divided between my said Wife & my surviving Children or Child part Share & portion alike. And to their Heirs & Assigns for Ever, And I hereby nominate & appoint my said Wife Eliza^{beth} Executrix & Henry Middleton Esq. Executor of this my Last Will & Testament hereby revoking all former and other Will & Wills by me at any time heretofore made Declaring this & no other to be my Last Will & Testament

In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my Hand & Seal the thirteenth day of January In the Year of our Lord One thousand Seven Hundred and forty eight Signed Sealed published pronounced & declared by the said Testator Elihu Baker for and as his Last Will and Testament In the presence of us who at his request & in his presence have Subscribed our names as Witnesses hereunto

Justinus Stoll
William Evans
Jm^r Remington
1748 Wick Bul.

This Will was proved before his Excy the day of February 1748 by the Oaths of Justinus Stoll & William Evans & Eliza^{beth} Baker Executrix was qualified at the same time

South Carolina

In the Name of God Amen, December the Thirty First Day, in the Year of our Lord One thousand Seven hundred & Forty Eight, I Sarah Allen of Charles Town, in the Province of South Carolina Widow, Do make this my Last Will and Testament in manner & form following hereby Revoking all & every other & former Will & Wills Testament & Testaments by me made or declared so that this only shall be & remain as & for my last Will & Testament First I Recommend my Soul to God who gave it in & through the Merits & Mediation of Jesus Christ his only Son, my Blessed Saviour and Redeemer, and my Body at death, I Commit to the Grave, to be interred in a decent & Christian like manner, at the Discretion of my Executor herein after named: And as to all the Worldly Estate that it was pleased God to bestow upon me, I Will that the same shall be disposed of, as hereinafter directed, that is to say; First I Will and Ordain that all my just Dels and Funeral Expenses shall be paid and discharged with all convenient Speed after my Decease, by my said Executor hereinafter named, Then I Give & Bequeath unto the six Children of my Late deceased Brother Isaac Lewis that is to say, So many Worman, the Sum of Three hundred Pounds current Money of this Province; to Sedgwick Lewis other Three hundred Pounds like