

Soul into the Hands of God that Gave it + my Body I recommend to the earth  
to be Buried in a Christian Like + Decent Manner at the Discretion of  
my Exors Hereafter Mentioned Nothing Dauilling but at — General Refus-  
tion I shall receive the same again By the mighty Power of god and as  
touching such Worldy Estate Wherewith it Hath pleased God to bless me in  
this life I give Dennis and bequeath in manner and form following  
Imprimis I order + desire that all my just Debts and funeral  
Charges shall be paid + Discharg'd as soon as possible after my decease  
Item I give + bequeath unto my well belov'd Father Richard Cain  
Ten Shillings Sterling Item I give and bequeath to my well beloved  
Brother William Basford Ten Shilling Sterling Item I give + bequeath  
to my Brother Barnabell Reily all my Worldly Estate real + Personal  
to him his Heirs + Assigns for ever and whom I do hereby constitute +  
Appoint + Ordain whole + sole Exor of this my Last Will + Testament  
hereby Revoking + Making Void all + Every other and former Wills  
and Testaments Legacys and Bequests by me made or bequeathed  
Ratifying and Confirming this + no other to be my Last Will +  
Testament in witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and  
Seal this Eleventh day of September in the year of our Lord One  
thousand Seven Hundred and forty Seven — 1747

Sealed Published Signed and Declared  
By the said Abraham Cain to be his last Will + Testament in the presence of us } Abraham Cain [LS]  
John Reily }  
Tho: Dean }  
Anthony Wilkinson }  
This Will Was Proved before his  
Excellency the Eighth day of January  
1747 By the Oaths of Thomas Dean  
and Anthony Wilkinson + John —  
Reily Witnesses to the Within Will

Recorded the 8<sup>th</sup> day of January 1747

In the Name of God Amen, I Benjamin Williamson of Colleton County in  
the Province of South Carolina Planter being Sick + Weak in Body but of  
perfect mind + memory Thanks to God do make + Ordain this my last Will  
+ Testament in manner + form following that is to say first I recommend my  
Soul to god who gave it + my Body to be Buried in a Decent Manner at the  
Discretion of my Exors whom I shall hereafter Appoint + as touching my  
Worldly Estate that it hath pleas'd Almighty God to bless me with I give  
Bequest + dispose in manner following

Imprimis I give to my loving wife Elizabeth Williamson the Tract of Land  
Whereon I now live containing one hundred + fifty Acres or thereabouts as before  
namely Daphney, Dido Rose + Peter for her Peperuse + Belong for ever —  
Item I give to my Son Champeown Williamson my Tract of Land commonly called  
Spoons reserving only liberty for my wife her life time the use of as much of the said  
Land as can be Employed by twelve Slaves It Being the Land I was Plant-  
Item I give to my Son Benjamin Williamson my Tract of Land Adjoining  
the Tract Whereon I now live for his proper use for ever Item I leave all the remain-  
ing part of my Land to be Sold + the money to be Equally Divided between my wife +  
children Item my Will is that all my debts be Paid as soon as possible and that  
my Exors may dispose of Any Part of my Estate they think proper in Order for the  
same Item I leave all the remaining part of my Estate to be Equally Divided between  
my wife + children allowing her the first choice and if either of my Sons should  
die before they come to the age of eighteen years his share of my Estate to be  
Equally divided between my wife + the surviving son + in case the other son  
should die also before he arrives to the age of then his part to be Divided  
Equally Between my wife + brother Henry Williamson's Children she to have  
her share at pleasure the others to remain in the care of my Exors till the  
said Henry Williamson's Children arrives to the age of Twenty one years —  
Each child at that age shall have a right to withdraw his share + not before  
Item my Will is that my Exors may Appraise + Value the Tracts of Land  
given to my two Sons + that who Possess that of the most Value shall allow  
his Brother such a share of his part of the movable Estate as my Exors shall  
think proper to make it Equal I nominate Constitute Ordaine and  
Appoint my loving wife Executrix and my Friends William Elliott Thomas  
Farr and Benjamin Elliott Exors to this my last Will + Testament —  
Revoking all former Wills whatsoever + <sup>introducing</sup> naming this and no other  
to be my Last Will + Testament In witness Whereof I have hereunto  
set my Hand and this fourteenth day of February in the year of our  
Lord 1746/7 —

Benj<sup>th</sup> Williamson Seal

Sign'd Seald Published  
and Declared in presence of  
William Williams  
William Bull Junr.  
Mary Williams

This Will Was Proved before his Excellency  
the 13<sup>th</sup> day of January 1747 by the Oaths  
of Mary Williams one of the witnesses, at  
same time Qualifyed Elizabeth Williamson + Benjamin Elliott named Executrix  
+ Exor in the Said Will

Recorded this 13<sup>th</sup> day of January 1747