

This Will was Proved before his Ex^{ty} the 9th December 1748 by the Oaths of James Brindley & James Boswood & Hugh Cartwright one of the Exors Was Qualified at the same time

South Carolina

In the Name of God Amen the Sixth Day of August in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Forty Eight and in the Twenty Second Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord King George the Second, I James Hamilton of James Island St Andrews Parish Berkeley County, in the Province of South Carolina Planter, Labouring under Bodily Infirmitie and Languishing Sickness but (Blessed be God) being of Sound and Disposing Mind and Memory and Considering the uncertainty of this mortal life, and the Certainty of Death, do make and Ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following hereby Revoking and Annul-ling all and every former and other Will, ^{and Wills} Testament and Testaments by me at any Time or Times heretofore Made or declared either by Word or Writing and declaring this and no other to Stand & remain as and for my last Will and Testament that is to say Principally I Resign my Soul into the Hands of God who gave it Trusting in the Merits and Righteousness of my Saviour Jesus Christ alone for the Pardon & Remission of all my Sins and thro him to Obtain Eternal Life and Salvation. And my Body at Death I Commit to the Grave to be Interred in a decent Christian like manner at the Discretion of my Executors & Executors herein after named in full Assurance of a glorious Resurrection to Life & Immortality at the last Day; As to my Worldly Estate Real and Personal ^{with} it has pleased God to bestow me I Will and Desire that the same and every part part thereof shall go & be disposed of as hereinafter is mentioned and directed and no otherwise that is to say

First I Order that all my Just Debts and Funeral Charges be paid with all convenient Expedition, after my Decease. Item I Give and Devise unto my Aunt Sarah Pingle, for and during the Term of her Natural Life, And no longer the House with Two Acres of Land and the Appurtenances next adjoining thereto, where she now lives being a part of my Tract on James Island aforesaid. Item I Give & Bequeath unto my Loving Brother Pingle Hamilton a white Broad Board Coat as also the Sum of Fifty Pounds Current Money of this Province to be delivered and paid to him as soon as can be Conveniently after my Decease. Item I Give and Bequeath unto my beloved Wife Mary Hamilton on the Proviso hereinafter mentioned concerning her, and not otherwise One Feather Bed with all the Furniture thereunto belonging as also a Black Trave and a Side Saddle & its Appurtenances. Item all the Rest and Residue of my whole Estate Real and Personal whatsoever and wheresoever and the Reversion of the said House two Acres of Land and Appurtenances where my said Aunt Pingle lives I do hereby Order Authorise and Impower my Executors and Executors hereinafter named and the Survivors and Survivors of them and the Executors and Administrators of such Survivors Absolutely to Sell and Dispose of either intire or in Parcels as soon as can Conveniently be done after my Decease to such Person or Persons his her and their Heirs and Assigns forever as she or they shall think fit for the most money that can be gotten for the same & to make and execute Effectual Conveyances and Titles thereto to all Intents and Purposes in due form of Law And as to one full Third Part thereof I hereby Give and Bequeath the same unto my said beloved Wife Mary Hamilton for ever Provided Always and I do hereby declare that all and every the Legacies, Gifts and Bequests by me hereinbefore Given

and bequeathed unto her my said Wife ^{as by me so given} and Bequeathed and are meant and intended to be in lieu and full Satisfaction and Bar of all such Dowry Thirds Interest Share and Customary Part of my Real and Personal Estate which she can or may claim by any Right Title or Custom whatsoever And in case my said Wife shall claim, Challenge or Demand any Dowry Thirds or Customary Part or other ^{only} Share or Interest in or out of all my Estate Real or Personal (Except ^{only} such Part thereof & for such Estate and Interest as is herein given and bequeathed unto her) I do hereby Will declare and appoint y^e all and every the Legacies Gifts and Bequests to her herein given and Bequeathed shall be void and of none Effect; and in such case I further Give and Bequeath the same in such manner as the other two third Parts of the Surplus and Residue of my said Estate Real and Personal is hereinafter Given bequeathed & disposed of. Item I give and bequeath and Devise the said other two Thirds Parts of the said Surplus and Residue of my said Estate Real & Personal unto my Beloved Daughter Margaret Hamilton and such my other Child or Children as my said Wife Mary is or may ^{be} conceive and shall be hereafter Born to be Equally divided between them or the Survivors or Survivor of them as they shall respectively Arrive at the Age of Eighteen Years or Day of Marriage which shall first happen then to have and to hold the same to them respectively and to their several and respective Heirs and Assigns for ever And in the mean Time I Will Order and Desire my Executors and Executors hereinafter named to place out at Interest on good Security Yearly and every Year All such Sums or Sum of Money as shall come to their hands for the Use of my said Children or Child during their or either of their Minorities respectively

as aforesaid and to receive and apply the neat Profits thereof yearly for & towards the Maintenance and Education of my said Children or Child respectively as far as requisite and the over plus Interest money from Time to Time to be put out to Interest as hereinafter directed concerning the Principal and to be paid and disposed of in the same manner And in case none of my Children should attain to the Age of Eighteen Years or be married but should all dye in such their Minorities Then and not otherwise I further Give and Bequeath the said two Third Parts of my said Real & Personal Estate Surplus & Residue hereinafter Given & Bequeathed to my said Children or Child unto such of them my said Wife Mary Hamilton my Loving Brother Pringle Hamilton & my Loving Sister Margaret Sheriff Wife of Henry Sheriff of James Island aforesaid as shall happen to Survive all my Children Born or to be Born equally to be divided between them or the Survivor of them and the Executors and Administrators of such Survivor forever Lastly I do hereby nominate Constitute and Ordain my said Wife Mary (so long as she shall continue my Widow but no longer) Executrix and my Brother in Law the said Henry Sheriff and my Friends John Sterling W^m Dinswiddie and Capt Robert Rivers of the said Parish Executors of this my last Will & Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal the day and year first above written

Signed Sealed Published & declared by the said James Hamilton as & for his last Will & Testament in the Presence of Us who in the Testator's Presence & at his Request have hereunto set our Names as Witnesses the Word /my/ in y^e Twenty Third Line of the Third Page being interlined

James Hamilton (Ld)

Saml Pepper
Robert Scriven
Mary Ann Lambright

This Will was proved before his Excy the 16th Decem^r 1748 by the Oath of Daniel Pepper one of the Witnesses to the Within Will & at the same time was Qualified Henry Sheriff John Sterling & W^m David Little three of the Exors therein named W^B Mary Hamilton & Robert Rivers were duly qualified before his Excy this 17 February 1748 W^m Geo Freeman Depty Sec

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In the Name of God Amen.—

I Peter Bonneau of Berkeley County in the Province afores^d Planter Being Sick in Body but of Sound Disposing Mind & Memory— (Blessed be God for the Same) Do make & Ordain this my Last Will and Testament in manner following. First and Principally I Commend my Soul into the hands of Almighty God hoping through the Satisfaction and merits of my Only Saviour and Dear Redeemer Jesus Christ to have full and free pardon of all my Sins. And Inherit Eternal Life my Body I Commit to the Earth to be Buried at the Discretion of my Executors and Executors hereinafter named And Vouching such Temporal Estate as it has pleased God in his Infinite Mercy to bestow upon me I Give & Dispose thereof as followeth Inprimis I Will that all my Just Dels^s & funeral Expences be first paid and discharged Then I Give Devise and Bequeath unto my Loving wife Esther Bonneau One Negro Wench at her Election out of my Slaves with her hereafter Increase One Feather Bed & furniture One Riding Horse & Side Saddle And her Equal Share with my four Children hereafter named of all my Personal Estate After my Just Dels^s are all paid & discharged ~ to her & her Heirs for ever As also One Room in my Dwelling House and her Maintenance on my plantation as long as she ^{shall} remain my widow and my meaning is that what is herein Given unto my said wife is in Law of her thirds or Share or Any other Demands whatsoever

of my Estate Then I Give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Esther One Negro Girl named Catey with her Increase for ever Then I Give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Magdalen One Negro Girl named Dolly with her Increase for ever Then I Give Devise and Bequeath unto my Son Anthony Bonneau the Plantation whereon I now live containing in three Tracts of Land Being all the Lands Given me by my Late Deceased Father as it both appear by a Deed or Instrument of Writing under his hand & Seal Reference thereunto had my more at Large appear to have & to hold the Said Three Tracts of Lands with all there unto Belongin to my said Son Anthony and to his Heirs and Assigns for ever ~

Then as I have not mentioned Any Lands for my Eldest Son Peter Bonneau it is by Reason that as my Late Brother in Law Peter Simons is now deceased I trust that his plantation and Lands will become by right to my said Son Peter Bonneau Then I Give Devise and Bequeath all my Personal Estate (which is not herein Given and Bequeathed) unto my Wife Esther Bonneau And to my four Children to wit Esther Magdalen Peter and Anthony Bonneau to be Equally Divided and Shared amongst them Share & Share alike to them & their Heirs for ever ~ Then I do nominate and appoint my Loving Wife Esther Bonneau to be my Executor (as long as she shall remain my Widow & no longer) and my three Brothers to wit Henry Samuel & Benjamin Bonneau to be my Executors of this my Last Will & Testament And I do hereby Revoke and Annul all former and Other Wills and Testaments by me heretofore made and Declared. In Witness Whereof & to this my Last Will and Testament I have Set my hand and Seal this Twenty Sixth Day of June One Thousand Seven Hundred and Forty Eight

Peter Bonneau (L)