

South Carolina

In the Name of God Amen I John Pagett of Berkeley County in the Province of S^c in the Parishes of S^c Thomas and S^c Dennis Planter being in a very low and weak Condition, but of Perfect Memory Thanks be to Almighty God for the same Calling to mind the Mortality of my Body and knowing that it is Appointed for all men Once to die do make and Ordain this ~~to be~~ my Last Will and Testament in Manner and Form following That is to say Principally and first of all I Give and Recommend my Soul into the Hands of Almighty God that Save it me and my Body I commit to the Earth to be decently Buried at the discretion of my Exors (herein After named) Nothing Daulting but at the General Resurrection I shall Receive the Same again by the Power of Almighty God and as Touching such Worldly Estate Wherewith it hath Pleased God to Bless me in this life I Give — Bequeath and dispose of the Same in the following manner (Viz) first of all I will that those debts that I do owe in right be fully — paid and Satisfied by my Exors (herein After named) at a Convenient time after my Decease I Give to the Vestry of S^c Dennis One hundred pounds for the Use of the Poor of the said Parish I Give to my Loving Sister Susannah Dubois Four Hundred Pounds to her and her Heirs I Give to my Niece Mary Bonneau One Hundred and fifty Pounds I Give to the Reverend Mr^r John James Tissot One Hundred Pounds all the Said Sum to be paid at a Convenient Time After my Decease I Give to my Loving Wife Constantia Pagett One third Part of my Personal Estate during the time of her being a Widow in my name & Like Wise the Use of a third Part of my Real Estate During her Said Widowhood But if She Should Marry then it is my Will that four Thousand Pounds be paid to her by my Exors (herein After named) at a Convenient time after marriage and a Negro Woman named Bess & her Children Also the Other Negroes that I had by her and One of my Negro Wenches that She Shall think fit to bestow Given her in full for her said Servy and that She nor her Husband have any Right in the administration of my Estate after She is married Furthermore it is my Will that She have power to dispose of the Said Four Thousand Pounds and the Said Negroes as She will at her Death And if She Should die Unmarried being a Widow in my name that my Exors shall pay the Said Sum to Whom She shall order at a Convenient time after her Decease —

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Item I Give and bequeath unto my Loving Daughter Elizabeth Pagett all the Remainder of my Personal Estate Likewise all my Real Estate Containing One House and Lot in Middle Alley (or Elliotts Alley) and One Lot in Ansonburg both in Charles Town, and Two Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty Acres of Land, Five Hundred and fifty on Pedee River and the Remainder Adjoining the Plantation on which I dwell and likewise What Part of the Land of my Deceased Brother Peter Pagett that Shall fall to my Share When divided with my Nephewes Walter & Francis Dallas to her & her Heirs for Ever But if my Said Daughter Should die before marriage or the Age of Twenty One Years then it is my Will that my Nephewes Walter and Francis Dallas Inherit it after her and if they die without Lawful Issue then it Shall Come to my nearest Relations Provided they do not Dispose of it Otherwise (John Pagett) Lastly I appoint my Loving Wife my Exors During the time of her being a Widow in my name but if She Should Marry then it is my Will that She nor her Husband have no Right in the Execution or Adminors of my Said Estate I likewise Appoint my Loving Brothers Thomas & John Hasell's & my Nephew Walter Dallas to be Exors of this my Last Will & Testament to do and Act as Herein before mentioned & I hereby Utterly Disallow Revoke and Disannul all & Every Other former Testament Whatsoever Confirming this to be my Last Will & Testament In Witnes Whereof I have to the first Sheet Set my hand and Seal this Twelfth day of May in the first year of our Lord God One Thousand Seven Hundred and Forty

signed Sealed and Pronounced & Declared by John Pagett as his last Will in the Presence of us the Subscribers Our Names as Witnesses — There to at his Request in his Presence in the Room where he then Was

Elias Bonneau
Francis Bonneau
The W^m Mark of
Elizabeth Guttery

John Pagett (Seal)

This Will Was Proved before his Excellency the 4th day of March 1747 By the Oaths of Elias Bonneau and Francis

Bonneau Two of the Witnesses to the Above Will Also Qualified Constantia Pagett Exors and Thomas & John Hasell and Walter Dallas Exors named in Said Will

Recorded the 4th day of March 1747

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