

herely annulling & Revoking all former and other will or Wills, Testament & Testaments whatsoever, by me made or Declared, either by word or Writing & Declaring this & no other to be & Remain, as & for my only last Will & Testament. I therefore Give & Recommend my Soul to the Mercies of God, in & through the Merits & Mediation of my Blessed Saviour & Redeemer Jesus Christ, & my Body at Death, I Commit to the Earth, to be Buried in a Decent & Christianlike Manner, at the Discretion of my Executors hereinafter Named, & as touching my Worldly Estate & all such Goods & Chattels wherewith God hath been Pleased to bless me in this Life, I will & Desire that the same shall be disposed of as hereinafter mentioned & Directed, that is to Say, First I will & ordain that all my Just Dets. & Funeral Charges shall be well & truly Paid, with all convenient Speed after my Decease, And I herely Authorise & Impower my Executors hereinafter named, & the Survivors & Survives of them & the Executors & Administrators of such Survivor (the Better to Enable them to discharge my Dets) to Sell & Convey & Dispose of any Part or parts of my Estate which they shall think may be of the least Advantage to my Estate. Item, I Give & Bequeath unto my Loving Brother William Simmons one Riding Horse named Dimsharf, & my Silver Watch, to him & to his Heirs for ever. Item I Give & Bequeath unto my Loving Wife Abigail, & my Daughter Abigail all the rest of my Estate whatsoever & wheresoever to be equally divided between them: my said Wife & Daughter, Share & Share alike, each a half, to them & their heirs, But in case my said Daughter Abigail should die before she arrives to the age of twenty one, or be married which shall first happen, then & in such case, I will & it is my desire that the half of my Estate so given to my Daughter, I further give & Devise the same unto my Loving Wife Abigail Simmons, to her & her heirs for ever. Lastly I do herely constitute Ordain & appoint my <sup>2d</sup> Brother William Simmons & my friend Thomas Sacheverell to be my Executors & my Loving Wife Abigail Simmons my Executrix of this my

Last Will & Testament. In Witness Whereof These hereunto set my hand & Seal the Day & Year first above Written.

Signed, Sealed, Published & Declared by the Testator  
Thomas Simmons in the Presence of us, who at his Request & in his Presence, have hereunto Subscribed our names as Witnesses, to his said Last Will and Testament

Thos<sup>s</sup> Simmons (Seal)

Samuel Lowle  
J<sup>s</sup> Dennon

This Will was Proved before his Ex<sup>cy</sup> the 12<sup>th</sup> May 1749 by the Oath of J<sup>s</sup> Dennon & W<sup>m</sup> Simmons & Thos. Sacheverell were Qualified at the same time.

S<sup>c</sup> Carolina

Know all Men By these Presents, that I Matthew Petit Trader of St. Peters Parish Granville County in the aforesaid Province have Constituted made & Appointed, And by these Presents, do constitute make and Appoint my Trusty & Loving friend St. Frederick Holsendorf of St. Andrews Parish Berkeley County of the Province aforesaid my True & Lawfull Attorney for me & In my name & Stead & to my Use to Ask Demand Due for Levy Recover & Receive all such Sum & Sums of Money, Dets, Rents, Goods, Wares, Dues, Accounts & other Demands whatsoever, which are or shall be Due, Owning Payable & Belonging to me, Or Detained from me Any manner of Ways or means whatsoever by any Person or Persons whomsoever Giving & Granting unto my ad. Attorney by these Presents my full & whole Power Strength & Authority in & about the Premises to have use & Take all Lawful Ways & means in my name for the recovery thereof, & upon the Receipt of any such Dets Dues or Sums of money aforesaid Acquittance or other sufficient Discharges for me & in my name to make Seal & deliver, & generally all & every other Act & Act's thing & Things, Device or Devices in the Law whatsoever needfull & necessary to be done in & about the Premises for me & in my name to do execute & Perform as fully largely & amply to all Intents & Purposes as I my Self might or could do, if I was personally present or if the Matter required more Special

Authority than is herein given; & Attornies one or more under him for the Purpose aforesaid to make & constitute & again at Pleasure to Revoke; ratifying alluring and holding for him & effectual all & whatsoever my said Attorney shall lawfully do in and about the Premises by Virtue hereof  
In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my Hand & Seal the 29<sup>th</sup> March in the Year of Our Lord 1749  
Matthew Petit (Seal)

Witness Geo: Bellinger  
Tho: Ladson

S<sup>c</sup> Carolina

I Matthew Petit Reader of St. Peters Parish Granville County of the Province aforesaid Considering the Inconstancy of this Transitory Life, Do make & declare these Presents to contain my Last Will & Testament, That is to Say I give & bequeath unto my said Attorney Doct: Frederick Holsendorff All my Debts Dues, & Demands with all my Estate both Real & Personal, Wherein at the Time of my Decease I shall be Possessed or Directed Or Which shall then Belong or of Wright Appertain unto me And I do hereby nominate & Appoint the Said Frederick Holsendorff to be my Executor & to receive my Substance of this my Will & Testament - hereby Revoking all former Wills & Testaments by me made And do declare this to be my Last Will In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my Hand & Seal the Twenty Ninth day of March In the Twenty third Year of his Majesty King Anno Domini One Thousand Seven Hundred & Forty Nine Signed, Sealed & Delivered }  
in the Presence of }

Geo: Bellinger }  
Tho: Ladson }

Matthew Petit (Seal)

This Will was Read before his Excellency the 19<sup>th</sup> Day of May 1749 by the Oath of George Bellinger and Frederick Holsendorff Sole Executor was Qualifid at the same time

South Carolina

In the Name of God Amen I William Edwards Esq<sup>r</sup> of Colleton County & Province aforesaid, being of Sound & perfect mind & Memory, but calling to mind the frailty & uncertainty of this Present Life, & being willing to put my Affairs in order before my Death do make & Ordain this my Last Will & Testament & do hereby dispose of my Estate as follows, Viz: first & principally I commend my Soul into the Hands of Almighty God who gave it, & my Body to be decently Buried at the discretion of my Executors hereafter named 2<sup>dy</sup> I Will that all my Lawfull Debts shall be paid off & discharged By my Executors out of my Estate, & for the more Speedy Discharge of the Same, they shall sell Two Hundred & fifty Acres of Land lying in Colleton County on a Neck of Land Called Wannells Neck, on a Creek out of Combee River, it being a part of five hundred Acres given by my Grandfather William Edwards Deceased in his Last Will & Testament to be Divided Twixt me & my Sister Mary, & the Monies arising from the Sale of sd Land shall be applyd towards paying off my sd Debts. 3<sup>dy</sup> I Bequeath to my beloved Wife Hannah the one half of all my Personal or Moveable Estate to be for her & her Heirs forever. I also Allow to my 2<sup>d</sup> Wife the Liberty of Dwelling on Either of my Plantations During her Natural Life & to fall Timber, Clear, Plant, Manure, Possess & Enjoy any part of one of my Plantations as She shall think most Convenient During her Life & 4<sup>th</sup> I Bequeath to my Dutyfull Son Hugh & to his Heirs forever all the Islands of Land which was formerly given to me by my Grandfather aforesaid in his Last Will & Testament & also the 1<sup>st</sup> moiety or half part of my Personal or Moveable Estate which is not herein before disposed of. 5<sup>th</sup> I Bequeath to my Dutyfull Son William & his Heirs for ever all my Lands which lyeth near the Head of Ledyhan River & also the other moiety or Remain ing Quarter of my Personal or Moveable Estate Not herein before disposed of. 6<sup>th</sup> My Will is that my Personal Estate hereby given to my Two Sons aforesaid shall not be divided Twixt em till my Said Son Hugh shall Arrive at the Age of Twenty one years & then at his request his part shall be given to him into possession by my Executors 7<sup>th</sup> at each time of Dividing the Moveables of my Estate Twixt my Wife & Sons as afores<sup>d</sup> the Whole Estate then to be Divided shall be Appraised by my Executors & two or three