

112 Acknowledging this and no other to be my Last Will and Testament In Witness
whereof I have set my hand and Seal the day and Year above Written

Signed Sealed and declared and Pronounced
at the Last Will and Testament of William
Welsby in the presence of us
Joseph Shepps, Sam Hooks, Benjamin Weatherly

William Welsby (Seal)

This said Will was proved before the
Ordinary the 5th day of May 1759
and the 19th of the said month viz W^m
Boone & Samuel Stock qualified as Admors

Be it Remembered That I John Witter of Berkley County in the Province
of South Carolina (Planter) being in good health of Body & of sound Disposing
Mind and Memory & Understanding (Praised be God for the same) Do make &
ordain this my Last Will & Testament in manner & Form following That is to say
First I will and order That all my Just debts & Funerall Charges be duly paid &
satisfied (by my Executors hereafter named) out of the Monies I may have owing
to me at the Time of my Decease or out of the Produce of my Plantations Before any
Division of my Estate be made to my Legatees hereafter mentioned Item I give
and bequeath unto my Grandson John Witter (a Negroe Slave viz Eudjoe
Phillip Grace Mary & her two Children I likewise give and bequeath unto my
Grandson John Witter (When as he attains the age of Twenty One years) One hundred
& forty acres of Land Part with the Houses whereon his Late Father lived & (Part of
the Tract I bought of James Screven to hold to him his Heirs & Assigns for ever And
my Will further is That my Daughter in Law Hannah Parrott do continue in the
said House & Plantation Till my said Grandson John Witter attains the Age of
Eighteen Years (if she shall live so long) Keeping the House & out houses in Repair
Except my Executors see Just cause to the contrary And my said Daughter in Law
Hannah Parrott shall render every year a Just Account unto my Executors
of all the Crops & produce that shall be made with the Negroes in her Possession
one Third Part thereof belongs to herself and the other two Third Parts to my said
Grandson John Witter) and after (Deducting the Charges of maintaining Cloathing
& Educating my said Grandson) she shall pay the Remainder of the Money
arising from the said two Third Parts to my Executors to be by them put out at In-
terest for the Benefit of my said Grandson But and if my said Grandson should die
before he attains the age of Twenty One Years or have lawfull Issue of his Body
Then the Share and Part of my Estate both real & Personal hereby Intended
for my said Grandson shall go to Descend & be Equally Divided among such of
my Children as shall be then Living share & share alike Item I give and
bequeath unto my four Grand Children William Bee Joseph Bee Mary-
Bee & Elizabeth Bee the seven following Negroe Slaves That is to say Cyrcus-
Jenny, Flora and her two Children Betty & her Child to be Equally Divided be-
tween them by my Executors, the Boys when they shall Respectively attain the
the age of Twenty One Years and the Girls at the Age of Eighteen Years or day of
Marriage and if any of them should die before they arrive at the said Ages to
be Equally Divided amongst the Survivors of them Item I likewise give and
bequeath to my two Grand sons William Bee & Joseph Bee and to the Survi-
vor of them That Tract of Land that formerly was Benjamin Witters as far as
the Eastermost Side of the Path leading to the Savannah containing One hun-
dred & thirty Acres (Or thereabouts) To them and their Heirs for ever to be Equal-
ly Divided between them by my Executors when they shall Respectively attain
the Age of Twenty One Years But and if both of my said Grandsons should die
without lawfull Issue then the said Lands shall Devolve and go to My three-
sons or the Survivor or Survivor of them share & share alike And my Will fur-
ther is that my Son in Law William Bee shall have the use and Possession
of the said Plantation above Given to my two Grandsons till the Decease of them
shall

3 I shall attain the Age of Twenty One Years Except my Executors See below to the contrary And I further give to my Grand Daughter Mary Bee the Use of a Negroe Girl named Diana for and during the Term of her my said Grand Daughters Natural Life and at her Decease to Devolve to my Sons or the Survivors of them Share and withare alike Item I give devise & Bequeath unto my three Sons Viz Thomas Witter Jonathan Witter & Matthew Witter all the Residue & Remainder of my Lands to be Equally divided Between them by my Executors in the following Manner To Hold to them their Heirs & assigns for That is to say to my son Thomas Witter the House that was James Screvens with a Proportionable Part of my Land to my son Jonathan Witter the House where my son James formerly lived with a Proportionable Part of my Land To my son Matthew Witter the house where I now live with a Proportionable part of my Land to be Divided & Delivered to each of them as they Respectively shall attain the Age of Twenty One Years. AND I will that my said Three sons shall each enjoy all the Stock of Horses be deemed or Taken as any part of my Personal Estate Them I Give & Bequeath them an Equal Part & share of all the Remainder of my Personal Estate And I will that my Executors hereafter named Do Allot & Divide my Personal Estate with all my ready Monies Bonds Notes Book Debts & accounts Whatsoever to and among my said Three sons above named in manner above mentioned Only Retaining in their Care and Keeping the shares of my Younger Children until they shall attain the Age of Twenty One Years or Day of Marriage And if in Case either of my sons should die before they shall attain the age of Twenty One Years or have Lawfull Issue of their Body The share and Interest of my said Estate hereby Given and intended to be given to such (as well Real as Personal) shall Descend go to & be Equally divided Among the Survivors or Survivor of all my Children there and share alike And I do hereby Nominate constitute & Appoint my Trusty Friends Henry Samuells James Screven William King & my son Jonathan Witter all of James Island to be Executors to this my Last Will and Testament hereby Revoking & Disannulling all Former and other Will & Wills by me at any Time heretofore made declaring Ratifying & Confirming this & none other to be my Last Will & Testament IN WITNESS Whereof I the said John Witter have hereunto Set my hand and Seal this Twenty Third day of July in the Year of our Lord one thousand Seven Hundred Fifty six

Signed Sealed Published Pronounced
and Declared By the said John Witter for
his Last Will & Testament in the Presence
of us the Subscribers who in his Presence
& at his request have Subscribed our names
as Witnesses thereto

John Witter (Seal)

Daniel Clement Will^m Holmes William King

This will was proved before the Auditor the 19th day of
May A D 1758 - at the same time Qualified Henry Samuells
William Screven & John Witter, Exors

South Carolina In the Name of God Amen I John Battell Jun^r of St Helena
Parish Granville County in the Province of South Carolina Planter being very sick &
weak in body but sound in mind and Memory blest be to the Almighty God for the same
Trusting in his Mercy and Goodness thro the Merit of my blessed Redeemer for pardon
and Remission of my sins thro his blood, my body I recommend to be decently Interred
by my Executors & Executrix and as to my worldly goods it has pleased God to give
me I do share of them in manner and form following Viz 1st My will is that all
my Just Debt and funeral Charges be paid and further to enable my Executors and
Executrix hereafter named more especially and speedily to comply with the same
& Give and bequeath unto my said Executor & Executrix or the Survivor of them