

191 South Carolina In the name of God Amen I Richard Leaton of North Carolina
in the Province of South Carolina More keepe being Sick in Body but of sound
mind and memory thanks be to God therefore calling to mind the Mortality of my
Body and that it is appointed unto all men Once to dye to make And Ordain
this my Last Will and Testament that is to say first And Principally Give
and Recommend my soule to God that gave it Resecking him to forgive me
all my sins through Jesus Christ my blessed Saviour and Redeemer &
my body I Give to the Earth to be buried at the discretion of my Executors
nothing doubting but at the last day I shall receive the same again
by the mighty Power of God and as touching Such worldly Estate where
with it hath pleased God to bless me within this life I Give and dispose
of the same in manner and form following In witness whereof I will and
Order that all my Just Debts be first fully paid and discharged Then
for as much as my wife beloved wife Mary Leaton is desirous and fully
resolved to depart this Province and go to Great Brittain with her
Children after or as soon as is possible after my decease to which I
willingly Give my Consent I therefore will and Order that if my wife
Mary should still continue in the same Resolution at the time
of my decease that all my whole Estate both Real and personal be sold
with all convenient speed after my decease by my Executors and then
hereafter named Given them hereby full Power and Absolute Authority
to grant sell and convey all and every part thereof And as I have
my deare Goods remaining unsold it is my desire that my wife Mary
may have the Management and Disposal of them to the best Advantage
as she is used to it and therefore I leave it to her prudent Care and
the money that will Arise and Accrue from the Sale of my said whole
Estate both Real and Personal together with what Sums of money be
now due to me And in Generall All that may be mine at the time of my
decease I do will and Order to be divided into two Equal Shares or
Portions one share or Portion thereof, I do Give and bequeath unto my
beloved wife Mary Leaton for and during the term of her natural life
And at and Upon her decease then I do Give and bequeath the share
and Portion unto my dear Children to be Equally shared and divided
between them share and share Alike, And the other share or Portion
thereof, I do Give and bequeath unto my dear Children to be Equally
shared and divided between them share and share Alike And my said
said Daughters should have their respective share of my Estate
paid them when they be of Age or day of Marriage and my sons when
they be of age And I Expressly will and Order that my said dear Children
have all the Education Given them as their Circumstances will require
Admit of and that after the said Learning be given them my sons be put
out Apprentices to Good Trades at a reasonable and proper Age praying
God to bless them all And to take them into his Holy Protection I do
appoint nominate and constitute Mr. George King and Daniel Leaton
Leaton during the time my wife Mary shall stay and remain in this
Province and my said wife Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament

1792, as also Guardian of my Children and I do hereby revoke and disan-
nule all other former will or Wills, Testament or Testaments be me heretofore
made ratifying and Confirming this and none other to be my Last Will and
Testament, My Wife of Whose I have hereunto Set my hand and seal the
Eleventh day of April Anno Domini One thousand Seven Hundred
and Eighty Eight

Signed Sealed Published and Declared
by the said Testator as his Last Will
and Testament in the presence of us whose
Presence and request we have hereunto
Set our names as witnesses

Richard Reaton (Seal)
Clark

Elyabeth Perot David Lafond Mathias Pant

This will was proved before me in

South Carolina, In the name of God Amen the sixteenth day of February
One thousand Seven hundred and Eighty nine James Shephard of St. Barth.
Comoros Parish and Colleton County and Province aforesaid Black
Smith being of Perfect Mind and Memory, Thanks be given unto God there-
fore calling unto mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is ap-
pointed for all Men Once to die do make and Ordain this my Last Will
and Testament, that is to say Principally and First of all Give and
Recommend my Soul into the hands of almighty God that Giver of
my body I Recommend to the Earth to be buried in a decent Christian
Burial at the discretion of my Executors nothing doubting but at the
General Resurrection I shall Receive the same again by the mighty
Power of God and Touching such worldly Estate as I have placed
God to bestow upon me in this life I Give demise and dispose of the same
in the following manner and form First I Give and bequeath unto my
beloved son Thomas Shephard and my son in law John Robert all my
Personal and Real Estate to be equally divided between them and the said
John Robert to have his division (or share) when he arrives to the years of
Twenty One, I do hereby constitute and appoint the whole and sole
Executors of this my Last Will and Testament My James Sharp Esq^r
and my beloved wife so long as she shall remain alive and my son
in law when he shall arrive at the age above mentioned and I do
hereby utterly revoke disallow and disannul all former bequests
Wills and Legacies be me heretofore in anywise left or made declaring
ratifying and Confirming this and none other to be my Last Will and
Testament, My Wife of Whose I have hereunto Set my hand and seal
the day and Year first above written

Signed Sealed & Delivered In the
Presence of
George Johnson Geo^t Dupont Jun^r
John Mitchell

James Shephard (Seal)

The above Will was proved before the Ordinary
the 12 day of April 1799 at the same time and place as the