

South Carolina

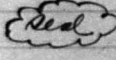
In the Name of God Amen

I Abraham Dupont of The parish of St Peter Parish
Garnville County in the Province of South Carolina Planters
being of Sound & Disposing Mind & memory & considering the
uncertainty of this Transitory life & the Certainty of Death
do therefore make publish & declare this to be my last
Will & Testament in manner & Form following That is to say
Principally I commend my immortal Soul to god the
author & giver thereof in manner at the Discretion of my
Executors herein after named & as to my worldly Estate
Lands Tenements Goods Chattels I Will that every part
& Parcel thereof shall go & be Disposed of in such Way & Manner
as is herein after respectively Mentioned & Directed & further
Concerning the same & so otherwise First I Will & desire
that all my just Debts & Funeral Charges shall be duly paid
and Whereas I am seized & possessed in Fee of & in Tract
of Land in the said parish containing about one Thousand
Four hundred & five acres or upwards & intend to allot to my
Living Sons Cornelius Joseph John & Sideron each a Share &
Proportion thereof with the Appurtenances therunto Belonging
And Whereas I have accordingly caused or caused
to be made & have sub-divided the Tract of Land in Four
Parts agreeable to a Plat thereof annexed to this my said
last Will & Testament & which I Will & ordain shall be taken
& respected as part thereof Now I do hereby Give & Devise
the said Tract of Land sub-divided in Manner aforesaid
as follows (to wit) I give & Devise that or Lot of the said
Tract containing Three Hundred & Sixty Nine Acres of Land
or Thereabouts Numbered with the Appurtenances therunto
Belonging now in the Occupation of my said son Cornelius
Dupont to him the said Cornelius & his Heirs for ever
Item I give & Devise that parcel or Lot of the said
Tract containing Three Hundred & Forty two acres of Land
or Thereabouts Numbered 2 With the Appurtenances therunto
Belonging & Wheron I now live to my said son Joseph
Dupont & his Heirs for ever Item I Give & Devise that
parcel of my said Tract containing Three Hundred & Forty
two acres of Land or Thereabouts Numbered 3 With
the Appurtenances therunto Belonging part of which I have
already leased & impleaded part of which is at present
under a Lease by me executed to my Sister in Law Mary
McGee Segnellatt for the term therein mentioned to hold
my said son John Dupont & Heirs for ever
Subject Nevertheless to the said Term or Term
until the Determination of the same according to the Tenor &
Intent thereof Item I give & Devise that Lot or Parcel
of my said Tract containing Three Hundred & Forty five acres
of Land or Thereabouts Numbered 4 With the Appurtenances
to the same belonging part of which is also at present under

beque by me executed to my said Sister in Law Mary
 Magdeline Signilliat for The Term therein mentioned to
 him my said Son Gideon Dupont & his Heirs forever
 Subject Also Nevertheless to the said
 Term for Demise untill the Determination of the same
 according to The Tenor & Intent thereof Item as to my
 Tract of Land containing about Six hundred & Twenty four
 acres more or less situate in Deer Creek Swamp in
 St. Bartholomew's Parish Colleton County in this Province
 with Appurtenances thereunto Belonging I give & Bequeath
 the same unto my Loving Son Charles Dupont, his Heirs
 forever. **Provided Always** that if any of them my said
 Sons Cornelius Josiah John Gideon & Charles shall
 happen to die under his or their Respective age or age of
 Twenty One Years & without leaving any Issue of his or
 respective Body or Bodies Lawfully Begotten Surviving
 them the Share or Part of Land & Promises hereby
 devised to Such of my said Sons so Dying as aforesaid
 shall go to & be equally Divided between my Surviving
 Sons or Son to him or them & his or their Heirs forever
 as aforesaid Item I will authorize empower &
 order my said Executor hereinafter Named & the Survivors
 & Survivor of them his Exors & Admins absolutely to sell
 Alien Dispose of & Carry in due form & Manner
 of Law to such Person or persons (being the highest
 Bidder or Bidders for the most Money that can be
 gotten for the same) & to his Heirs or their Heirs forever
 with all convenient Speed after my Decease
 & as my said Executor or Executors shall see fitt all
 the rest & residue of my Lands & real Estate not herein
 before given or devised. And all such monies so arising
 or to arise by such sale or sales I do hereby give & Bequeath
 to be equally Shared & Divided between all my monies so arising
 or to arise by such sale or sales I do hereby give & Bequeath to be
 equally Shared & divided between all my Sons & also my beloved
 Daughter Jane Dupont all of Whom shall be Subject & liable to pay
 & Discharge equally between them all Taxes Duties Rents & other
 Charges which shall be ^{incurred by the said my said Sons & Daughter} complicated Item I will order &
 appoint that my Whole Personal Estate Goods & Chattels whatsoever
 shall be Divided by my said Exors hereinafter Named or the
 Survivors or Survivor of them his Exors or Admins into Six equal
 and indifferent Parts or Parcels & Then I do give & Bequeath
 to each & every of my Children by Name Josiah John Gideon
 Charles & Jane one of the Six parts or parcels to be allotted &
 Delivered unto my four sons respectively at Their age of Twenty
 one Years & to my said Daughter at her age of Twenty one years or
 Marriage which shall first happen & as to the other sixth part or
 parcel of my said Personal Estate remaining or whatsoever shall
 remain of my said Personal I do hereby further give & Bequeath the same
 to be equally Shared Divided allotted & Delivered (as aforesaid)

to between my six children. Namely Cornelius (who heretofore had
 & received his Equal Share, out of my said Personal Estate equivalent
 to the above mentioned Sixth part thereof bequeathed to each of my other
 Children by this my said Last Will & Testament Josiah John
 Sideon Charles & John at the several & respective ages or Times
 herein above Limited Stated & appointed & I Will & ordain that my
 said Executors shall & do during the Minorities of my Minor Chil-
 dren or Child occupy exercise & employ my Estate or what shall
 happen to be or remain in their hands from Time to Time for the
 Best advantage of my said Minor Children or Child & out of
 from the produce profits thereof to maintain & educate him her or
 them during his her or their Minorities respectively And I do hereby
 nominate constitute & appoint my above named Sons Cornelius John
 & Sideon & my Loving Brother in Law Mr Paul Parker Esors
 of this my said Last Will & Testament And lastly I do hereby
 utterly revoke annul & make void all former & other Wills &
 Testaments by me heretofore made or declared & allow & confirm
 this & no other to be & remain as & for my only Last Will &
 Testament.

In Witness Whereof I have herunto set my hand & Seal the
 Twenty first day of February in the Year of our Lord one
 Thousand Seven hundred & Sixty.

A. Dupont 

Signed Sealed published & Declared by Mr. Abraham Dupont
 as his Last Will & Testament in the Presence of us within the
 Testators presence & at his request have herunto personally subscribed
 our respective Names as Witnesses

William Hazzard
 John Scott
 Charles Grimball
 Jm. Mikel.

Proved before the Governor the 6th February 1761. At
 the same time Qualified Cornelius Dupont & Paul Parker