

In the name of God amen I Pringle Hamilton of James Island in Berkeley County in the Province of South Carolina Planter do make and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following, First and Principally I recommend my soul into the hands of Almighty God, hoping through the Satisfaction & merits of my only Savior and Dear Redeemer Jesus Christ to have a full and free pardon of all my sins and to inherit eternal life, My Body I commit to the Earth, to be decently buried as my Executors and Executors hereafter named shall think fit and as touching such Temporal Estate as it hath pleased Almighty God to bestow upon me I give & do dispose thereof as follows First I promise I will that all my just Debts and Funeral Charges be paid as soon as they can conveniently after my decease I will that all my Estate excepting finishing things be kept together until January next for the support of my wife and the overplus to goe towards paying my debts. My will then is, that all my Estate be sold to the best advantage at public sale, excepting a negro named Dick belonging to me whom I bequeath the use of to my beloved wife during the term of one year after the term sale, and my will further is that then the said Dick shall be free and at his own liberty. My Will further is, that after my just Debts and Funeral Charges are paid I do then dispose of the Remainder as follows. Item I give and bequeath unto the James Island Charitable Society of which I am now a member the sum of Fifty pounds currency. Item I give and bequeath unto my Daughter in law Mary Lambright the sum of One Hundred pounds currency Two thirds of the Remainder of I give and bequeath to my Loving Wife Mary Ann Hamilton to her & her heirs for ever, the other remaining one third I give and bequeath unto my Nephew James Hamilton, and my Will further is, that the said one third be put to interest in good security, and that the interest be applied to the Principal yearly every year, until the said James Hamilton arrives to the Age of Twenty two years, at which I desire that my Executors and Executor pay him the said one third with the interest that is then become due therefrom and in case he should die before he arrives at the age of Twenty two years, then and not otherwise the said one third unto his Sister Margaret Hamilton, and for the execution of this my last Will and Testament, I constitute and appoint my Loving Wife Mary Ann Hamilton, and my brother in law William Elton to be my sole Executors and executor revoking and disannulling all former Will and Wills whatsoever by me made in witness whereof I have hereunto sett my hand and seal this Twenty first day of March one Thousand seven hundred and sixty.

Pringle Hamilton *(Seal)*

Signed sealed published, and declared by the above Pringle Hamilton to be his last Will and Testament in the presence of us who at his request have witnessed the same.

Wm Holmes

Thos. Senoon

Jos. Senoon

Proved before the Govr in the Court of Ordinary the 9th day of January 1761 at the same time qualified Mary Ann Hamilton Executor.