

I Personal, Item I give & Bequeath unto my beloved Son John Shells the other half of my Estate both real & personal & in case of the Death of my said Wife Elizabeth or my said Son John then in that case the survivor to have the whole of my said Estate both real & personal And lastly I also nominate constitute & Appoint Daniel Drose son of Isaac Drose Executors of this my last will & testament & also do empower my said Executors to buy sell or dispose of any part of my said Estate real or personal as they in their Discretion shall see fit for the benefit of my said Estate

Jon^s Shells

Signed sealed & declared by the said John Shells as his last will & testament in presence of us this twentieth day of September one thousand Seven hundred & twenty one
 Francis Postell
 Daniel Drose Jun^r
 Sam^l Hamlin

Proved by virtue of a Pedigree from his Excellency the Governor directed to

Proved before his Excellency the Governor in the Court of Ordinary the 15th day of May 1772 at same time Qualified Daniel Drose & Isaac Drose Executors to the above will

In the Name of God Amen I Stephen Query of the parish of St James Santee in Craven County in the province of South Carolina Planter being weak in body but of a Sound & perfect understanding, Thanks be to God for the same, but considering the uncertain state of this transitory World, Do make this my last will & Testament in Manner & form following, first my body to be decently interred according to the direction & discretion of my Executors herein after by me nominated appointed & Chosen And as for what worldly Estate it hath been pleased God to bestow upon me after my Just debts are paid, I will dispose of bequeath in manner & form following, That is to say, by my loving wife Mary I have had

One Son named James, And my said loving wife is at present
with Child with another which when born if the Child should
be a Male I will & bequeath all the lands Hereditaments
& Appurtenances unto me belonging to be equally divided be-
tween them to them & their heirs for ever, And in case of the
Death of either of said Children not leaving lawfull Issue the
whole to go to the surviving Son & in case the second Child
should prove a female Then all my lands as above to go to
the Eldest Son & his heirs for ever, Item I give & bequeath
my personal Estate to be equally divided between my loving
wife Mary & Children viz as my Child is yet unborn is uncertain
whether it may live I will & leave my Son James & Wife Mary
an Equal Share of my personal Estate & if the Child should be
born I then leave my personal Estate equally to be divided
between my wife & two Children And I give & bequeath my
Priding Chair to my Wife with furniture unto it belonging
And my Goods & Chattels to be equally divided except other
wise disposed of in my will And likewise that my wife
Mary may have liberty to live upon my plantation during
the time she may remain my Widow, Lastly I nominate
Constitute & Appoint my Nephews Peter & Caleb Querry
Executors to this my last will & testament, In witness
whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal on the twenty
fifth day of January in the year of our Lord One thousand
Seven hundred & Seventy two

Signed Sealed & published

in presence of

Robert Brown

Ann Sanders

Michael Boineau Junr

Stephen Querry



Proved before his Excellency the
Governor in the Court of Ordinary the
15 May 1772 at some time qualified
Peter Querry Juror one of the Executors to
the above will & by virtue of a dedimus
from his Excellency the Governor to
Charles Cantey Esq the 15 May 1772
qualified Caleb Querry the other Ex^r