

South Carolina

In the Name of God Amen. Alexander Shaw of St. Bartholomew Parish Colleton County Province of
Charleston, being weak in Body but of Perfect Sound Mind and Memory and calling to Mind the Mortality of the Body and well
knowing it is appointed for all Men once to Die do Make and Ordain this my last Will and Testament in Manner & form
following (That is to say) First and Purely I recommend my Soule Almighty God, hoping through the Merits of my
Saviour Pardon and forgiveness of all my Sins. My Body I recommend to the earth to be interred in a decent and Christian
like Manner at the discretion of my Executors or Executors hereafter Mentioned, and as to what worldly Estate I
Possessed Almighty God to bestow upon me I Give and Bequeath as follows. It is my Will and desire that all my Land & other
Debts and Funeral Charges be first Discharged. Item I will and Bequeath one full third part of my Personal Estate to
my well beloved Wife Martha Shaw to her and her Heirs forever in lieu of her Dower. Item I will and Bequeath to my
well beloved Sister formerly Ann Gray now Ann Atkins & her Issue by William Gray deceased (that is to say) John William
Alexander & Martha Gray another full third of my Personal Estate to be equally Divided the said John William Alexander & Martha
Gray or the Survivors of them at the Death of Ann Atkins & their Heirs for ever. Item I will and Bequeath the
Other third Part of my Personal Estate to my Beloved Sister Martha Newman during her Natural Life & after her
Death to my Nephews John George Alexander and Susanna Newman & Ann Newman now deceased & their Heirs forever.
Item I will and Bequeath the said one third part of my Personal Estate to be divided between them to them and their Heirs forever. Item I Give and Bequeath
my Land & other Estate containing five hundred Acres or thereabouts situate in the County of Colleton to my well beloved
Wife Martha Shaw to her and her Heirs forever. And if in Case it shall appear hereafter that any other Lands in this Province shall prove my Property
I Give and Bequeath all such Land or Lands to my well Beloved Wife Martha Shaw to her and her Heirs forever.
And Lastly I appoint and constitute my well Beloved Wife Martha Shaw Executors & William Mearns Thomas
Vulpud John Newman John and William Gray Executors to this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking
all former Wills by me made. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and seal this 16th of April in the
Year of our Lord 1765 & in the fifth Year of the reign of our Sovereign Lord George the third of Great Britain
& Ireland King Defender of the Faith &c &c.
Signed Sealed & Delivered Published & Proclaimed
in the Presence of us

John Holman
Mary Holman
William Day
John Hughes

Alexander Shaw
Secretary's Office 6th August 1765
True Copy taken from the Original will
Examined by Geo Johnston
Clerk