

WILL OF
RACHEL LEWIS

South Carolina

In the Name of God Amen, I Rachel Lewis of Allsainte Parish and State aforesaid, Being weak in body but of a sound mind and memory, Blessed be God for the same ----- Do make and Ordain this my last Will and Testament. In manner and form following Vis; I Recommend my Soul to God who gave it, and my Body to be buried in a decent Christian manner by my Executors hereafter named. Item I give and bequeath to my Grand Son Wm Henry Rus, The Son of Joseph Rus and Sarah Rus, Two Negroes namely Sephiah & Robert, Three Young Cows & Calves Two pair of Sheets & One Bead Quilts with curtain Callico in the middle and if the above named Wm Henry Rus, should die leaving no lawful Issue, Then the above named property to return, To my Grand Son Joseph Washington Rus. Item I give & bequeath to my Grand Son Joseph Washington Rus the son of Joseph Rus & Sarah Rus, Two negroes n namely Bederah & Meriah, Three young Cows & Calves, Two pair of sheets, & one bead Quilt with & Eagle on it and if the above named Joseph Washington Rus, Should die leaving no lawful issue, then above nam'd property to return, To my Grand Son Wm Henry Rus Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Elizer Rus my horse sweeper. Item I give & bequeath to my Daughter Sharlot Rebekah Rus my Saddle. I Also give to my Two Daughters Sharlot Rebekah, & Elizer Rus, The remaining part of my house hold furniture to be Equally divided between them Except my Sheets & Quilts, And them to be equal divided between, James Rus, Robert Rus, & Thomas Hemingway. Item it is my desire that Harriot are to be sold and the money to be Equally divided between James Rus & Robert Rus & Thomas Hemingway. All the Remaining part of the Negroes, & Cattle to be equal divided between, James Rus, Robert Rus & Thomas Hemingway. Item I give to my Grand Son Henry Hemingway One Tract of Land Lying between, Charles Lewis & Thomas Hemingway. Item I give to Marstres Rus, One Tract of Land that I Purchased from James Rus -- This Property are not to be removed until the Estate debts are paid. Item my old nigro named Dick & Flore

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Lastly I nominate and appoint my Friend Robert Weathers and Thomas Hemingway Executors to this my Last Will and Testament in Presents where of I have here unto set my hand and Seal this fourteenth

Day of November In the year one Thousand Eight Hundred and Sixteen and Forty one year of the Independence of the United States of America

Seal'd Signed and acknowledged -----

In presents of ---

Rachel Lewis (Seal)

Charles Lewis

Mary Lewis

Leah Lewis

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