

in the name of God Amen this twenty ninth day of January in the
year of our Lord one thousand Seven hundred and Eighty one I,
Henry Croft, taylor in the Province of South Carolina, being in a
Sick and low condition of Body but of Perfect Mind and Memory
Calling to mind the mortality of my body & knowing that it is
appointed for all men once to Die do Make & Ordain this my Last
Will and Testament that is to Say Principally & first of all I
give and Recommend my Soul unto the hands of God who Gave it, to
the Earth to be buried in a decent Christian manner at the
Diferetion of my Executors, and as touching such worldly Estate
wherewith it has Pleased God to blefs me in this Life I give
Devise & Dispose of the same in the following manner and form
viz, First after all my Lawful Debts are Paid I do give & bequeath
to all my Famely a Equel Shear alike Except my youngest Son I do
Give unto him one Little Negro named Paul, over and above his
Eaquel Shear the word my Family Signifies my dear Loving Wife and
My Son John Croft, and Elizabeth Croft & Sarah Croft & Rebecca
Croft & Rachal Croft & Moses Croft & Jesse Croft the youngest
Son and if my Wife Should marrey I do allow her Part of my Estate
to be Equally divided among all the Children, and I beg of my
Executors to see that my two youngest Sons is well Scholed as far
as the Rule of three and I Think it would be Proper to Sell that
tract of Land I bought of George Mickle if you can get the vellue
of it but all such things I shall Leave to my Executors to do for
the best advantage for my Children-and further I do Declare this
to be my Last will and testament utterly disallowing of any other
whatsoever and for my Executors I do appoint my Beloved son John
Croft and my trusty friend Joel Adams to be the Executors of
this my Last will and testament in witness whereof I have hereunto
Set my hand and Seal, in Presence of

Henry Croft (SEAL)

William Scott

Martha Cook

Unrecorded Wills

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