

24³ South Carolina } I William Pitts of the District
of Laurens, District of South Carolina being of
sound and disposing mind and memory but weak
in body and calling to mind the uncertainty of life
and being desirous to dispose of all such worldly
Estate as it hath pleased God to bless me with do make
and ordain this my last will in manner following
That is to say, I Give to my wife Sally Forty
acres of the tract of land that I now live on. The
part that the dwelling house stand on and one
Bed and furniture during her natural life time
and at her Death it is my will that the lands
should belong to my son Reuben Griffin and I
leave to my son William Pitts two Dollars and I Give
to my son Daniel Pitts two Dollars and I Give to my
Daughter Nelly Trasher two Dollars and I Give to
my son David Twenty acres of the tract of land
that I now live on in the corner of the tract above
his house and I Give to my son Jesse I my negro
boy Henry and should Jesse die without
any heir then I desire the negro should be sold
and the money Equally divided between ^{my sons} Thomas and
John and I Give to my son Thomas my negro
boy named Ralph and should Thomas die
without any heir then I desire that the negro
should be sold and the money be Equally divided
between my son Jesse I & John and I Give to my
son John my negro woman Melinda and
should John die without any heir then I
desire that the negro should be sold and the
money be Equally divided between my son Jesse
I & Thomas and all the balance of my Estate be
sold and all my just debts paid and if there
be any Remainder that it should be Equally divided
between my several Children namely William,
Daniel, Nelly, David, Reuben Griffin, Jesse I, Thomas
& John and lastly I do constitute and appoint
my friends John Boult Edge my Executor of this
my last will and Testament in testimony whereof
I have hereunto set my hand and seal this twenty
fifth day of April one thousand eight hundred and thirty eight
Signed Sealed published and declared as and for
the last will and Testament of the above

Mentioned William Pitts

Merrett Griffard
Henry Simpson
Sandra Henderson

William Pitts

Memorandum that the above will of
William Pitts was proven before me in
the Court of Ordinary by the oath of Sandra
Henderson on the second day of June
one thousand eight hundred and thirty eight

W D Watts O.S.D.

In the name of God Amen I Ellis Chuck of the State
of South Carolina and District of Laurens being
in a low state of Health but of sound mind & memory
do make and constitute this my last will and Testament
in manner following Viz, after all my just debts
and funeral expenses are paid I desire that all my
Estate both real & personal shall be sold by my Executors
herein after named on a credit not less than one year
nor more than two years and the money arising there
from with the debt due or owing to me from my
Children or others either by note or account thereunto
added to be Equally divided among my Children
herein after named Viz. William Chuck Richard Chuck
Sally Funtell Mary Rhodes Jane Rhodes Cassy Farrow
Willis D Chuck Linney Riddle and lastly I
do hereby nominate constitute and appoint my
son Willis D Chuck and my friend William Hoot
my Executors to this my last will and Testament
Signed sealed and acknowledged in the

presence of us this the 12. of January 1838
Ellis Chuck (L.S.)
Mark

Jones B Higgins

Samuel Kelly

Memorandum the will of
Benjamin B Higgins, Ellis Chuck as above was proven
before me in the Court of Ordinary by oath of Benjamin B Higgins
on the 17 day of September one thousand eight hundred and thirty eight

W D Watts O.S.D.