

within one year after my decease on a suit all credit
and out of the proceeds of said sale all my last debts &
funeral Expenses to be paid and the balance to be divided
into Seven Shares and paid as follows, to wit, One Share to
be paid to my son Samuel one Share to my daughter
Susan and the wife of John Milner one Share to the children
or child of my deceased daughter Margarete Babb
one Share to my son Richard & one Share to the children
of my deceased son James McNeese the Survivor or Survivors
of them one Share to my daughter Agnes the wife of Joshua
Leaguer to her and the heirs of her body and to my daughter
Sabra White one Share - and I do hereby appoint my
friends Joseph Babb & John T. Lams Executors of this my
last will & Testament hereby Revoking all former Wills
by me heretofore made - Signed Sealed & declared by the
said Robert as his last will and Testament in the presence
of us who at his request and in his presence & in the presence of
each other have subscribed our names as witnesses to the due
Execution of the same. 30th March Anno Domini 1833

David R. Dorroh
John Phillips
Elijah Scudder
Robert McNeese

Memorandum That the above will was proven before me
in the Court of ordinary by the oath of David R. Dorroh
on the 23rd day of January 1840 W.D. Math. P. L. D.

The Will of John Cummings

State of South Carolina In the name of God Amen
I John Cummings of the State and District
above named being of sound and disposing mind & 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 desire that as soon after my decease as convenient all
my last debts and funeral Expenses be paid after the payment
of debts and funeral Expenses. I Give and bequeath the following
Legacies viz, if so much shall remain I Give to my
Nephew John Cummings son of my brother Thomas Forty
Dollars. I Give also to my Nephew John Cummings son of
my brother James the Sum of Forty Dollars I Give to my beloved
Sister Peggy Henderson the Sum of Fifty Dollars. I also Give
to my beloved Sister Mary Youngblood the like Sum of Fifty Dollars

I Give to my niece Elizabeth daughter of my brother James
the Sum of Forty Dollars all the rest of my Estate of what nature
or quality so ever it may be and not herein before particularly
disposed of I Give to my niece Peggy Simpson wife to the heirs of
her body lawfully begotten with this express and distinct under-
standing that not one dollar of the legacy bequeathed to my niece
Peggy Simpson is ever to go into the hands of her husband but
that my Executor herein after to be mentioned is fully empow-
ered by me to keep and retain in trust the legacy that may
be coming to her from my Estate and who is authorized by virtue
of this instrument to apply and appropriate as he may think
proper so much thereof from time to time for the use and benefit
of my said niece Peggy and the heirs of her body lawfully begotten
and in the event of the death of my aforesaid niece Peggy Simpson
then and in that case I desire that the legacy above bequeathed to her
may be retained in the hands of my Executor until the children of
the said Peggy shall arrive at full age after which they shall
be entitled to receive the legacy above described or what ever
may remain of it - and lastly I do constitute and appoint my
friends Anthony F. Holding of the State and District aforesaid Execu-
tor of this my last will and Testament by me heretofore
made Revoking all former Wills or Testaments in testimony
Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal
this the 2nd day of January in the year of our Lord one
Thousand Eight hundred and thirty nine and in the sixty third
year of American independence
Signed Sealed published and declared as
and for the last will and Testament of
the above named John Cummings in
the presence of us

John Cummings

Benjamin Williamson N.B. The above erasure in the fourth line
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Memorandum
That the will of John Cummings above
Recorded was Proven before me in the Court of ordinary on
The 28th day of November 1839 by the oath of Benjamin
Williamson one of the subscribing witnesses to the
W.D. Math. P. L. D.

South Carolina In the name of God Amen
I Bryant Leek being of sound disposing mind
and memory but calling to mind the uncertainty of life and being
desirous of disposing of such property as it hath pleased God to
bless me with do make ordain and constitute this my last will
and Testament Viz. First it is my will and desire that my
last debts and funeral expenses be paid, second I give and
bequeath unto my son Anthony & Leek the following Slaves
To wit, Peter Hollicday Jerry Maria Channy & her children, Liza
Margaret John Esther & Laurens, together with their future
Increase to him and heirs forever. Secondly I give and bequeath
to my Executors herein after named all that tract and parcel
of land I purchased of Thomas Todd containing two hundred and
ninety acres more or less situate in Laurens District on the
waters of Mudlick Creek adjoining lands of John Armstrong
Capt Anthony Griffin Willis Brown and my homestead tract
of land and also the following Slaves To wit, Reuben his wife
Lucy Susan the daughter of Lucy Wesley Nancy Liza Sarah & her
children together with their future increase to be held by
my said Executors in trust to and for the following use and
purposes To wit, for the use and benefit of my daughter Sarah
the wife of William Atwood during her natural life and
at her death to be Equally divided amongst her children that
may be living at her death and the child or children of such
child or children as may be dead the child or children
of a deceased child to take such share as their parent if
living would be entitled to and should my said daughter
Sarah have no child or children living at her death
or child or children of a deceased child then it is my
will and desire that the property mentioned and bequeathed
in this clause be Equally divided between my two sons
Anthony & James Leek or should they or either of them be
dead their children share to which they would be
entitled if living. Fourthly I give and bequeath unto my
son James Leek my homestead tract of land including a
small tract of land which I have agreed to purchase
from John & Williams bounded by the tract of land
given in trust to my Executors for the use and benefit
of my daughter Sarah Atwood & children John Armstrong
and others being all the land I now own except the
the tract will be in trust to my daughter Sarah and
also the following negro Slaves Viz a negro man named
Jim his wife Betty and their five children

Charles Harry Jim Jesse and Lillitha and a boy called
together with their future increase to him and his
heirs forever. Fifthly I give and bequeath to my son James
Leek the four following Negroes viz Fanny Abraham
George and Henry Sarah's son, with their future increase also
Bed Bedstead & furniture one cow sheaf one sow & pigs to
him and his heirs forever the property in this clause being
given to make my son James Equal my other children having
here to fore been advanced to that amount of property.
Sixthly I give and bequeath to my Grandson William B Leek
son of Burrill Leek a negro boy Bet son of Reuben and Lucy also
to my Grandson Burrill Leek a negro girl Emily also to my Grand
son Bryant Leek a negro boy Reuben son of Reuben & Lucy also to
my Grand daughter Martha Leek a negro girl Martha a daughter
of Reuben & Lucy together with their future increase the said
Slaves to be delivered to my Grand children Respectively as they
arrive at the age of twenty one year or marry and should
either of my said Grand children die before they arrive at
the age of twenty one or marry then it is my will and desire that
the property bequeathed to them do go to the survivors and should
they all die before they arrive at the age of twenty one or
marry then that the property bequeathed to them be Equally
amongst my three children Anthony & Leek James Leek
and Sarah Atwood the share of my daughter Sarah
Atwood to be held by my Executors in trust for her and her
children - and I do here by constitute and appoint my
son James Justice for my Grand children William B Leek
Burrill Leek Bryant Leek and Martha Leek to take charge
of and keep out the negroes herein above bequeathed to them
until they arrive at the age of twenty one year or
marry. Seventhly, It is my will and desire that my
Executors herein after named do sell as Early as practicable
after my death all the rest of my Estate Real and personal
of which I may die possessed of and after paying my
funeral Expenses and last debts that they pay over to
my son Anthony & Leek five hundred Dollars which
is in lieu of land given to my other children and
that the balance be Equally divided between my two
sons Anthony & James Leek and my daughter Sarah
Atwood, the share to which my daughter Sarah Atwood
is entitled to to be held by my Executors in trust
for the sole use of my said daughter during her
life and at her death to be divided amongst her