

WILL OF

WILSON COWARD

In the name of ~~God~~ Amen

I Wilson Coward of the State of South Carolina, Marion District, being admonished from the infirmity of my body, that my temporal existence must soon close, and being disposed to make a distribution of my earthly estate among my heirs, do, on this the twenty eight day March, ~~1846~~ Anno Domini, one thousand eight hundred and fifty three, make, constitute, and ordain this my last will and Testament, in manner and form following, viz,

First my will is, that all my just debts and funeral expenses, be paid out of such personal estate as I may die possessed of,

Next, I give and bequeath to my wife Sarah, of my real estate a tract of land where I now live of one hundred fifty acres bought of ^MW. Manners., another adjoining Containing two hundred acres bought of ^MW. Hamilton, and also another of Sixty acres, bought of John Maning, and one other of about eighty acres, bought of Malcom Stafford, lying on and in Maple Swamp, all the above named tracts of land, I give to my wife Sarah, except one hundred acres here in after given to my daughter Martha Jones, during the natural life of said wife. Sarah. and ^{at her death} I give the said lands to my son Hansel Coward and to his lawful heirs born of/ ^{his} body but if he shall die without any such heirs then the land herein given to him shall return to my heirs I also bequeath to my wife Sarah All my personal estate of every sort, and Kind, negroes, Stock, plantation tools, household furniture, monies and credits, and provisions during her natural life, and at her death to be subject to the disposition herein after made, but all the other property negroes and lands excepted, to her at her absolute disposal, I give To my son Joel Coward all the ballance of my lands except one hundred acres herein after given to Martha Jones, and fifty acres herein after given to Ervin Coward, I also give to my son Joel my negre man Damon, my negree boy Ned, and negree boy Daniel, at the death of my wife Sarah, but he Shall pay to Kiddy Bailly or her heirs, one hundred & fifty which I give to my daughter Kiddy Bailly, I also give give and bequeath to son Joel half the interests profits and emoluments of my mill, the other half I give to my son Hansel, I give and bequeath also, to my son Hansel the lands ~~1846~~ given to his mother at her death I also give him at the death of my wife/negree

