

ARTHUR BIRD

In the name of God Amen I Arthur Bird do make this my last Will and Testament first I recommend my soul into the hands of Almighty God who gave it my body to the Earth to be buried in a decent Christian manner at the discretion of my Executors hereafter named and as touching such worldly goods as it hath pleased God to blefs me with I dispose of the same in the following manner First I desire that all my Just debts be paid To my beloved wife Elizabeth Bird I lend her during her widowhood the use of the plantation whereon I now live One feather Bed and furniture One negro winch called Michael and after She should Marry or die the negroe to be sold by my Executors and the feather bed and furniture and the money arising therefrom to be divided in like manner as Peter and other property is to be disposed of Mentioned in the latter part of this my will and the land to vest in my said son Hugh G Bird To my daughter Martha Owens wife of Philip Owens I give one negro Girl by the name of Betsey to her and the issue of her body lawfully begotten forever. To my son Joseph Bird I give and devise a certain tract of land Situate lying and being in the District of Marion on the East side of Tobys Creek supposed to contain 233 Acres whereon the said Joseph now resides also all the lands on the West side of Tobys Creek next adjoining the Great Peedee River Also the following negroes Caty Sarah. Billy Sheppard and Fortune to him and the lawfully begotten issue of his body forever To my daughter Anna Bird I give the following negroes Nell Burr Jeffrey Ephraim Carolina and a good horse Bridle and Saddle to her and the lawfully begotten issue of her body forever To my Son Hugh G Bird I give and devise all the lands I own Situate lying and being on the District of Marion on the East side of Tobys Creek including the land whereon I now reside also the following negroes. Dinah Jim Dick Hector Norah Larsen and America to him and the heirs of his body lawfully begotten forever To my daughter Mary Bird (or Mary Ann Bird sometimes called) I give the following negroes Fanny Abram Perry Ann Hardy and Mahalie to her and the lawfully begotten issue of her body forever To my two grandchildren a son and a daughter of my de^d son Peter Bird I give One hundred and fifty dollars each to be paid by my sons Joseph Bird and Hugh G Bird when said children shall arrive at the age of Twenty one years.

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To my daughter Maria Herring wife of Wilson Herring I give One dollar
To my daughter Charlotte Herring wife of Edmund Herring I give One Dollar
All the rest and residue of the property I may die possessed of not in this
will bequeathed including a negro fellow I desire shall be sold by my Exe-
cutors and the money arising therefrom to be equally divided among Joseph
Bird Anna Bird Hugh G Bird Mary M Bird and Alafair Bird To my daughter Ala-
fair Bird I give the following negroes Hannah Zilpha Scippio Cooper and Lon-
don and to the lawfully begotten heirs or issue of her body forever. Lastly
I nominate constitute and appoint Edw^d B Wheeler and Joseph Bird Executors
of this my last will and Testament Witness my hand and seal this tenth day of
August A D 1835

Witness G Crawford

Arthur Bird (SEAL)

Stephen White

Britan Jones

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Sworn to Oct. 3, 1838

Edw^d B Wheeler, Ordry M. D.

Roll No. 68