

In the name of God Amen this the Eight day of September one thousand Eight Hundred and seven. I Rachel Ballard of Marion District and state of south Carolina. being weak of body but of sound and disposing mind & memory and Calling to mind the uncertainty of the present life and Knowing that it is appointed for all persons once to Die do make and ordain this my last will and testament that is to say principle and first of all I Give and Recommend my soul into the Hand of God that Gave it and my body I recommend to the Earth to be Buried in a decent Christian burial at the discretion of my Executors & Executrix nothing doubting but at the General resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty Power of God as touching Such worldly estate wherewith it Hath pleased God to Bless me with in this life I Give promise & Depose of the same in the following manner and form I appoint my funeral Charges and all my other Debts first paid. Item I Give & bequeth unto my well beloved mother ann Rourke Twenty two Dollars to be paid two years after my Death <sup>nd</sup>. I Lend all my personally Estate and Real Estate to my two Daughters ann Ray Ballard & Caroline Ballard During there natural life which said property to be devided at Either of their marriage or to the age of twenty. to be Equal to be devided betwen them for which the are to hav the Rents of all my Land or to Cultivate the same and the labour of all my negroes and at the Death of one or both of them the property to be devied betwen thun Child or Children Each ones part to their Child or Children. and should Either ann Ray Ballard or Caroline Ballard should Die with out Leaving Living issue there part to go to the othr sister the very day that she depart this life. Should they both Die with out issue then the hole, of Doth Hale & Personaly I Give & bequeth. to my nephew James M<sup>o</sup> Kee Daniel Son of Mary Daniel Shold he die without Lewing issue them to his mother Mary Daniel & should at the said Mary Daniel Die with out

Estate to be Devided between the then Living Children of  
Judah White now wife of Joseph White share & share alike  
Item I Give & bequeth unto Elizabeth Blackmon forty Dollars  
in Cash Item Tis my will if Samuel Hourk should die before  
my mother ann Hourk that my Executors to have her a house build  
as Good a one as Can be for fifty Dollars on any part of my  
land and to have six square acres around it and to have forty  
Dollars worth of Corn Pork & Sugar Bought for her each year  
as long as She Stay on the said land or her life time to be  
Bout out of the property arising from the rents of my land or  
labour of my negroes. but if She Should not live on the said  
Land She is not to have the use of it nor to have any part  
of the forty Dollars no to put any one in the house or to  
Rent it to any one nor for no one that is any Kin or Relation  
to the Hourk family to live with her if the do it is my will  
that she is not to Receive one cent of the forty Dollars nor  
to be allowed to live on said Land. I likewise make consti-  
tute and appoint as my only & sole Executors & Executrix of  
this my last will and testament Mary Daniel and John Gibfon  
I do hereby Renounce and Revoke and Dيسانul all former wills  
testaments and bequeth by me in any wise made before this  
tim and Hereby Ratify and Confirm this and no other to be my  
Last will and testament in witnefs whereof I Have Hereunto  
Sett my hand and seal the day and year above writen--  
sign sield & published pronounce and Delivered by the said  
Rachel Ballard to be her Last will and testament in presence  
of us the subscribing witnefs - the word September drop out  
and november interlined before a sign.--

John Gibfon

Rachel Ballard (SEAL)

Dani Platt

Silas White

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Ed. H. Wheeler Clerk N. D.

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