

In the name of God Amen. I William Hardwick of St. Davids Parish Marlborough County and State of South Carolina planter, being weak in body but of perfect mind and memory, thank God for it, calling to mind the immortality of my body and knowing it is appointed for all men once to die do make and ordain this my last will and Testament annulling, revoking all other testament or testaments, will or wills, by me heretofore made and declared either by or writing & this only to be taken for my last will and Testament and none other in the manner and form following (Viz)-

I give and commit my soul into the hands of God who gave it; and my body to the earth to be buried in a decent Christian like manner at the discretion of my executors hereafter named.

Item I- I give and bequeath unto my beloved Margaret Hardwick three negroes named Gloc, Peter, and ned, all my household furniture (except one feather Bed & bedding) to her and her heirs forever.

It is also my desire that my wife aforsaid should have the use and quiet possession of the plantation or tract of land whereon I now live for and during her natural life, and from and immediately after her death to be the property of my friends John Hardwick and his heirs forever.-----

Item- I give unto Elizabeth Rolo. the use of a Negro girl named Prifs and also the use of an undivided half of a tract of two hundred acres of land whereon she now dwell, for and during her natural life and from and immediately after her death to her daughter Mary Hardwick Rolo. to her & her heirs forever, but should the said Mary Hardwick Rolo. die before she attains the age of eighteen years, then the negroe girl named Prifs & the undivided half part of a tract of land before mentioned shall revive to Eli Hardwick Rolo. brother to the said Mary Hardwick Rolo, to him & his heirs forever.---

Item- I give and bequeath unto a certain child named Eli Hardwick Rolo, Four negroes named Nan & her three sons, Bill, Jamie and George with all their natural increase to him & his heirs forever, but should he die before he attains the age of twenty one years then the four negroes aforesaid named Nan (& her three sons) Bill, Jamie and George shall re- vive and be the property of Mary Hardwick Rolo, sister to the said Eli Hardwick Rolo (with all their natural Increase) to her and her heirs forever,- I also give unto Eli Hardick Rolo and Mary Hardick Rolo, Ten head of cattle now in the possession of the aforesaid Elizabeth Rolo, with all their Increase to be equally divided between them.-----

Item- I give and bequeath unto my friend John Hardick now living in Georgetown, a negro boy named Joe to him and his heirs forever.

It is my desire that my stock of cattle, horses etc, shall be sold to pay my debts and if any remains over and above paying my debts, I give them to my wife Margaret Hardick, It is my desire that Capt.^d Claudius Pegues should have the aforesaid four negroes named Nan & her three sons, Bill, Jamie, and George in his possession and with the income of their labour defray such expence of schooling and clotheing the said Eli Hardick Rolo and Mary Hardick Rolo.

It is my desire that my friends, Capt.ⁿ Claudius Pegues, William Pegues Esq, James Gillespie, & John Hardwick should be and are hereby appointed my Executors, In Witnefs whereof

I have unto set my hand & Seal this 14 day of Febry In the year of our Lord one thousand and Seven hundred and Eighty eight.

Wm. Hardwick (SEAL)
Signed Sealed & delivered in presence

of John Ogburn Recorded in Will Book A Page 4

Moses Knight. Recorded September 1st. 1788

Nathaniel Knight (Ordinary's name omitted)