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WILL OF

AARON BURTON

State of South Carolina

Newberry District

I. Aroon Burton of the District and state aforesaid being of sound and disposing mind and memory do declare this to be my Last wil and Testament in manner and form following, to wit-

First As I have heretofore by ded of gift given unto my Daughter Bethnia Cole a Tract of Land lying on the waters of Bush River in the District of Newberry which I hereby value at seven hundred and fifty dollars and a negro woman named Malinda whom I. value at four hundred Dollars

I. also now give unto my Daughter Bethnia Cole a negro Boy, named Pinckney whom I hereby value at five hundred dollars. I. hereby confirm unto the said Bethnia Cole and her Heirs the said property at the value herein fixed

Secondly As I. have heretofore given by deed of gift unto my daughter Susanah Holston and Loranzo Holsten her husband two negro woman named Lovina and Pathena whom I hereby value at four hundred Dollars each I. hereby confirm the said property unto my said Daughter Susanah and her Husband and their Heirs at the value herein fixed, to be their full and only share of my Estate forever.

Thirdly As I have heretofore given by deed of gift unto my Daughter Magdalena Sheppard and her husband John Sheppard two negro women named Bula and Eliza whom I. hereby value at four hundred dollars each I. have also given unto my Daughter Magdalena Sheppard and her husband John Sheppard five hundred and fifty dollars in cash I. hereby confirm unto my Daughter Magdalena and her hus-

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Thirdly As I have heretofore given by deed of gift unto my Daughter Magdalena Shppard and her husband John Sheppard two negro women named Bula and Eliza whom I. hereby value at four hundred dollars each I. have also given unto my Daughter Magdalena Sheppard and her husband John Sheppard five hundred and fifty dollars in cash I. hereby confirm unto my Daughter Magdalena and her husband ~~the said property~~ and their Heirs the said property at the value herein fixed.

fourthly As I. have heretofore given unto my Son Robert Burton two negroes named Iverson and Martha whom I hereby value at four hundred dollars each and six hundred dollars in hand I. hereby confirm unto my son Robert and his Heirs forever the said property at value herein fixed.

Firstly, As I have heretofore given unto my Daughter Frances Werts and her husband William Werts two negroes named Malinda and Zekiel whom I hereby value at four hundred Dollars each I hereby confirm unto my Daughter Frances and her husband and their Heirs the said property at the value herein fixed.

I also give and bequeath unto my Daughter Frances Werts and her husband William Werts and their Heirs a negro Boy named Spence which I hereby value at five hundred and fifty dollars.

Lastly, As I have heretofore given unto my Daughter Elizabeth Stewart and her husband William Stewart two negro women named Matilda and Marian whom I hereby value at four hundred Dollars each. I hereby confirm unto my daughter Elizabeth and her husband and their Heirs the said property at the value herein fixed.

I now give and bequeath unto my Daughter Elizabeth Stewart and her husband William Stewart and their Heirs a negro Boy named Johnston Lowery which I hereby value at five hundred Dollars.

Seventhly It is my will and desire that after my Death that all my negroes not otherwise willed be laid out in five lots as near equal as possible that is a lot to each one of my children now living namely. Bethina, Magdalena, Robert Frances and Elizabeth, the lots of negroes to be laid out and valued by three or five Disinterested Freeholders it is further my will and desire that a ~~five~~ ~~lot~~ ~~of~~ ~~negroes~~ ~~be~~ ~~drawn~~ ~~for~~ ~~each~~ ~~one~~ ~~of~~ ~~my~~ ~~children~~ ~~now~~ ~~living~~ some child under ten years of age do draw a ticket for a lot of negroes (after laid out.) to each one ~~of~~ of my five named children, if there should be any one of my children that will not accept of the lot of negroes drawn for him or her it ~~shall~~ shall in that case be in the power of my executor to take possession of ~~each~~ lot of ~~lots~~ of negroes and the same to keep clear of Hire or Interest untill called for by the person or persons for whom they were drawn.

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Intally. As I. have heretofore given unto my Daughter Elizabeth Stewart and her husband William Stewart two negro women named Matilda and Mariah whom I. hereby value at four hundred Dollars

each. I. hereby confirm unto my daughter Elizabeth and her husband and their Heirs the said property at the value herein fixed

I. now give and bequeath unto my Daughter Elizabeth Stewart and her husband William Stewart and their Heirs a negro Boy named Johnston Lowery which I. hereby value at five hundred Dollars

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be any one of my children that will not accept of the lot of negroes drawn for him or her it ~~shall~~ shall in that case be in the power of my executor to take possession of ~~each~~ lot of Lots of negroes and the Same to keep clear of Hire or Interest untill called for by the person or persons for whom they were drawn

Eighthly It is my will and desire that all the balance of my property both real and personal be sold by my executors my Lands to be sold on a credit of one and two years and the personal property to be sold on a credit of Twelve months and the proceeds arising ~~therefrom~~ from the sale thereof to be so divided among my five children namely, Bethina Magdalena Robert, Frances and Elizabeth as to make them all receive an equal amount out of my Estate

Lastly I. hereby nominate and appoint my son Robert Burton Sole Ex-

ector of this my Last Will and Testament hereby revoking all
other wills heretofore by me made and declared this only to be
my Last Will and Testament

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the
Nentieth day of June in the year of Lord one thousand Eight
hundred and forty four and in the Sixty Eighth year of the Sov-
reignty and Independence of the United States of America

signed sealed executed Aaron Burton. (L. S.)
and published as the last
will and Testament of the

said Aaron Burton by him in the

presence of us who have subscribed

our names as witnesses thereto in

the presence of the said Aaron Burton

the day and year before written

Robert Cleland

Frederick Booser

John Cleland

J. P. Lake

Recorded in Will Book No. 1. Page 342. "Record of Wills".

Proved January 18th, 1846.

Recorded March 15th, 1848.

J. S. Boyd, Ordinary Newberry District.

Box No. 81. Pkg. No. 207. Est. No. 2042.