

IN THE NAME OF GOD, AMEN:

I, Benjamin Armstrong, of Pickens District in the State of South Carolina, Being in a low state of health and knowing it is uncertain how long I shall live, but of sound disposing mind and understanding, do make and declare this my last will and testament in the manner and form following:

First, I resign my Soul in the hands of Almighty God, hoping and believing in a remission of my sins by the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ, and my body I commit to the earth to be buried at the discretion of my Executors hereinafter named; and my worldly estate I give & devise as follows:

First - I give and devise to my son Abner Crosby Armstrong Two Hundred and forty acres of land laid off by Thomas Lamar the 28th April 1830 being that part of land whereon I now live, to him and his heirs forever. Also I give him my negro Boy named Hardy, the Waggon and Gear belonging to it and one Bay Mare called Boney and a Bay horse colt two years old.

Also I give and devise to my son Charley Armstrong the tract of land whereon he lives to him and his heirs forever.

Also I give unto my Daughters, Nancy Gaines Bebeekah McWhorter Gillah Wooten, and Syntha Armstrong the tracts of land laid off for each of them by Thomas Lamar, as I afore gave them a separate Deed of Gift, to them and the heirs of their Body forever.

Also, I give unto my son Abner Crosby Armstrong, and my Daughter Syntha Armstrong all the household and kitchen furniture to be equally divided between them.

It is my will and desire that after my Decease that all my Personal property, that is not hereby disposed of such as horses, cattle, hogs and sheep shall be sold and the proceeds thereof equally divided between Charles Armstrong, Syntha Armstrong, Gillah Armstrong Wooten and Rebecca McWhorter, Excepting as much as will pay off my just debts and also excepting a Filley one year old which

I assign for Syntha Armstrong exclusively.

And, I do hereby Constitute and appoint Abner Crosby Armstrong and Ezekiel McWhorter Executors of this my last Will and Testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 12th day of October, A. D. 1831.

SIGNED, sealed, declared and published by the before named Benjamin Armstrong, the Testator, as and for his last Will and testament, in presence of us, who at his request, and in his presence have subscribed our names as witnesses.

his
BENJ'N X ARMSTRONG (L.S)
mark
and seal.

JAMES H. DENDY.

(Interlined before assigned)

BENJAMIN D. DUPRE.

WILLIAM PERKINSON.

CODICIL.

I do also bequeath to my son Abner Crosby Armstrong a two year old work steer and an ox cart which I lately purchased from George Wright - and also my young Bay Horse now three years old past - In consideration hereof I bind my son Abner C. Armstrong to pay to the remaining legal Heirs the sum of Twenty five dollars to be divided equally among them, which sum he is bound to pay, as soon as he shall have paid for the land he has purchased from his Brother Charles and not before. I do also bind my son Abner C. Armstrong to give Benjamin Cornelius Wooten son of Gillah and John Wooten two years schooling at a plain respectable country school, to board and cloathe him and give him books necessary for the time he is going to school.

Signed and sealed this 19th October, 1838 in presence of

his
BENJAMIN X ARMSTRONG. (SEAL)
mark
and seal.

BENJAMIN D. DUPRE.

JAMES H. DENDY.

WILLIAM PERKINSON.

SOUTH CAROLINA.)

PICKENS DISTRICT.)

By James H. Dendy, Ordinary:

Be it remembered that on the 13th day of December which was in the year of our Lord 1832 the last Will and Testament of Benjamin Armstrong was proven by the oath of Benjamin D. DuPre, one of the subscribing witnesses to said will. And at the same time qualified Abner C. Armstrong and Ezekiel McWhorter the persons named Executors in the same.

JAS. H. DENDY. O.P.D. (LS)

RECORDED Pickens Dis't Ordinary Office in Will Book No. 1, pages 20 & 21, the Probate on page 22. Examined & certified 13th day of December, 1832.

JAS. H. DENDY, Ordinary P.D.