

IN THE NAME OF GOD, AMEN:

I, Benton Freeman, being in a low state of health & viewing the uncertainty of life & the certainty of death, also having mind to dispose of my worldly goods to my satisfaction whilst I know feel duly in my right mind and senses doe ordain and make this my last will and testament.

First, I will and bequeath to my wife Jane Freeman the Holme tract of land or land I now live on enduring her natural lifetime or widow then I devise the same to my youngest son Benton S. Freeman forever also one negro boy named Balass enduring her life after that to my two sons Barney L. Freeman and Benton S. Freeman. I also devise all the bedding household and kitchen furniture to my wife Jane Freeman together with the cooking utensils farming tools of every description also shelf ware also provisions for one year fifteen hundred lbs. Pork fifty barrels of corn & all the fodder I have the remainder of my property to be sold & after my just debts & funeral expenses be paid I direct the same or rather the proceeds of the sale to be equally divided amongst all of my children according to what they have received from me & further I appoint my trusty friend & Brother-in-law Judge C. Ferguson my lawful Exeunter to this my last will & testament.

In witness whereof I doe hereunto set my hand and seal this 3rd November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty three.

Test: JEPHTHA FREEMAN.

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MOSES K. CLARK.mark
DAVID FREEMAN.

J. C. FERGUSON.

BENTON FREEMAN. (SEAL)

CODICIL.

I, Benton Freeman, the testator of the annexed will feeling to alter and amend a small portion of this my annexed will doe direct and devise one negro woman named Chana to my wife Jane Freeman en-

during her natural life. Also one negro boy call George ten years
as he appears to be rather unsound then George to be sold and equally
divided amongst my children according to what they have received from
me or my estate.

In witness whereof I doe hereunto set my hand and affix my seal
this 8th November in the year of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ one
thousand eight hundred and fifty-three.

Witness:

REDDIN FREEMAN.
JANE FERGUSON.
J. G. FERGUSON.

BENTON FREEMAN. (SEAL)

SOUTH CAROLINA.)
PICKENS DISTRICT.)

PERSONALLY appears Judge G. Ferguson and made oath that he did
see Benton Freeman sign seal and declare the above to be a Codicil
to the within and is to be considered and taken as part of the said
last will and that Jane Ferguson and Reddin Freeman was together with
himself subscribing witnesses to the same.

SWORN to and subscribed before me
the 16th day of December 1853.

J. G. FERGUSON.

W. J. PARSONS, C.F.D.

RECORDED in Pickens District Will Book No. 1. pages 172 - 173.