

I, Joseph Davis of Pickens District, South Carolina, being
in good health and sound mind, but taking into consideration the
certainty of life do herein make my last will and testament.

1st. My wish is that all my just debts and funeral expenses be
paid as soon after my decease as possible out of the first money that
comes into the hands of the my Executor.

2nd. I wish my Executor to sell my old place where my son N. B.
Davis did live of one hundred acres more or less on a credit of one
year well secured and the proceeds equally divided between my son
N. B. Davis my daughter Rachel Maratt and Areany Rust.

3rd. I give my son William E. Davis's heirs one dollar having
given him heretofore his full share.

4th. My plantation where I now live of one hundred and sixty-
seven acres I give to my four children now with me under age, with
all the personal property I may be possessed of at my decease, to live
on and for their support until my son Frederick arrives at the age of
twenty-one years then the plantation with all the personal property
property to be sold on a credit of twelve months and the proceeds
equally divided between my seven children above named, N. B. Davis,
Rachel Maratt, Areany Rust, James G. Davis, Altila Davis, Martha
Jane Davis and Frederick M. Davis, except fifty dollars I give to my
daughter Rachel Maratt more than any of the rest of my children.

5th. After my debts and funeral expenses is paid out of the
money I may have on hand or notes I wish my Executor to have a open
stone wall built around my grave taking in my first wife, my son
Jasper, my daughter Nancy Addis and John Addis child which is layed
side by side.

6th. I wish my Executor to sell the above lands and authorize
him to make titles to them without a order from the Court of Ordinary
to do the same and I further request my Executor to protect my young
children that I may leave.

I appoint my son N. B. Davis my Executor to this my last

will and testament doing away with all former wills made by me.

Witness my hand and seal this the second day of April, A. D.

1856.

signed in the presence of

H. R. TOWERS.

JOSEPH DAVIS. (SEAL)

H. M. PITTS.

LEONARD TOWERS.

SOUTH CAROLINA.)

PICKENS DISTRICT.)

PERSONALLY appeared H. M. Pitts and made oath in due form of law that he was present and did see Joseph Davis late of Pickens District deceased sign seal and publish the foregoing to be his last will and testament and that H. R. Towers and Leonard Towers was present and saw the same and that they all three did sign their names as witnesses to it in the presence of each other and the testator.

Subscribed to before me the

H. M. PITTS.

12th day of Oct. 1857.

W. J. PARSONS, O.P.D.

RECORDED in Pickens District Will Book No. 1, pages 235-236.

(Copied from recorded will. Original will and papers connected therewith not in package.)