

IN THE NAME OF GOD, AMEN:

I, Joseph M. Lawrence of Pickens District, in the State of South Carolina being of sound mind, but considering the uncertainty of life do hereby revoke all former wills made by me, and declare the following to be my last will and testament viz:

ITEM 1st. I desire my Executor to pay all my just debts as soon as he can.

ITEM 2nd. I will and desire my wife Lucretia to have the remainder of my property to use for the support of herself and my children of her begetten, until the youngest of our said children shall arrive at the age of twenty-one years or shall marry, upon the happening of either of which events I desire my estate to be divided and one-third thereof given to my wife Lucretia and the remainder to be equally divided between our said children including those born after the publishing of this will and those who may have died and whose issue are living at the time of said division, the share of each and every female of them (children or their issue) being given to trustees for their sole and separate uses respectively free from the control of any husband of any of them. Said trustees to be chosen by my Executor with the advice of my said wife Lucretia and deeds of trust executed to them by my Executor in accordance with the foregoing provision of this will.

ITEM 3rd. I desire my children to be well educated and for the accomplishment of this object authorize and request my Executor to encroach on the corpus of my estate to the amount of the two-thirds thereof if it be necessary, and each child to account in the division aforesaid for so much as shall be expended on his or her education.

ITEM 4th. I desire the lands I own in joint tenancy with James George and Madison F. Mitchell to be sold at private sale if it can be so sold for a fair price.

ITEM 5th. I desire my Executor with the consent and advice of my wife Lucretia to sell any portion of my said estate and re-invest the same for the purposes hereinbefore mentioned whenever he shall deem it advisable to do so.

ITEM 6th. I appoint Joseph N. Horton, Executor of this my last will and testament.

SIGNED, sealed, published and declared by the said Joseph N. Lawrence as and for his last will and testament in the presence of us who at the request of the said Joseph N. Lawrence and in our presence and in the presence of each other have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses.

Z. W. GREEN.

J. N. LAWRENCE. (SEAL)

JOHN W. L. CARY.

W. N. CRAIG.

SOUTH CAROLINA. )

PICKENS DISTRICT. )

PERSONALLY appeared before me W. N. Craig, who being duly sworn saith on oath that he was present and did see Joseph N. Lawrence sign and seal the foregoing as and for his last will and testament, and that Z. W. Green and J. W. L. Carey were present and with himself witnessed the same, that they all three signed their names to the same as witnesses in presence of each other and the testator.

W. N. CRAIG.

SWORN to before me October 28th 1863.

W. E. HOLCOMBE, O.P.D.