

I, Richard Hall, of the certainty of death and the uncertainty of the time thereof, being infirm of body, but thanks unto God of a sound and disposing mind do make and ordain this my last will and Testament, Viz,

Firstly, From my worldly goods with which it hath pleased God in his munificence to bless me, I desire my Executors hereinafter named and appointed to pay all my just and lawful debts as soon after my death as may be convenient.

Secondly, - I give and bequeath unto my wife Elizabeth Hallum the tract of land on which I now live, together with the following slaves, Viz, Jery, Rich and her child, George, Benson, and old Lucy, to have and enjoy during her life, and at her death to be disposed of as hereinafter directed, it is also my desire that she may have as many horses, cattle, hogs, sheep, and other property, furniture, provisions, &c. as may be deemed by my Executors necessary for her comfort and support.

Thirdly - I give and bequeath unto my trusty friend E. B. Benson, his heirs and assigns forever, the following slaves, Viz, Burress, Rodah Jesse and Kelson & Willis in trust for the sole use and benefit and behoof of my son John Hallum during his natural life, and at his death to the heirs of his body.

Fourthly - I give and bequeath unto my trusty friend E. B. Benson his heirs and assigns forever the following slaves, Viz, Midney, Angelina, in trust for the sole use, benefit and behoof of my son, A. C. Hallum during his natural life, and at his death to the heirs of his body.

Fifthly - I give and bequeath unto my trusty friend, E. B. Benson, his heirs and assigns forever, the following slaves, Viz, Nancy, Margaret, Adam, Sharpe, Jinny, Jery now a boy, Lucy Louisa, and at the death of my wife, Rich and child, George and Jery a man in trust for the sole use, benefit and behoof of my Daughter Eliza A. Prater, during her natural life and at her death to the heirs of

herbody.

Sixthly - I give and bequeath unto my trusty friend, E. B. Benson, his heirs and assigns forever, the following slaves, Viz, a negro woman Fand, Warren, Eliza, and Nancy a girl now in the possession of Elizabeth McCane, Squire, and Martin a boy, and at the death of my wife, Lucy, in trust for the sole use, benefit and behoof of my daughter Elizabeth McCane during her natural life and at her death to the heirs of her body.

Seventhly - I give and bequeath unto my trusty friend, E. B. Benson his heirs and assigns forever, the following slaves, Viz, a negro woman Laurena, Henry now in the possession of my son T. J. Hallum, in trust for the sole use, benefit and behoof of my son, T. J. Hallum during his natural life, and at his death to the heirs of his body.

Eighthly - It is my will that the land on which I now live, together with Jinny Hallum tract be sold at the death of my wife, and that my sons T. J. Hallum and A. C. Hallum, each receive out of the proceeds thereof the sum of seven hundred dollars and then receive an equal share of the remainder with my other children and that all the property left to my wife not otherwise disposed of, be sold at her death and the proceeds be equally divided among all my children. It is further my will that all my other property not otherwise disposed of in this my last will and testament be sold by my Executors at my death and the money arising from the sale thereof after my debts are paid as hereinafter directed be equally divided among my children.

Ninthly - I desire that my slave Benson after the death of my wife be allowed by my Executors to choose to which of my children he may belong, and to whom he may choose. I give and bequeath him upon the same terms and limitations as my other slaves.

Tenthly - I hereby nominate and appoint John Walker and William Smith, Executors of this my last will and testament.

SIGNED, sealed and published in the presence of us this twenty ninth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight

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hundred and forty eight.

(The word Willis interlined before signed)

WITNESS:

JOHN MAXWELL.

RICHARD HALLUM. (SEAL)

JOHN T. SLOAN.

GREEN STEPHENS.

SOUTH CAROLINA.)

PICKENS DISTRICT.)

Before me personally appeared Green Stephens and made oath that he was present and did see Richard Hallum sign the within for the uses and purposes therein mentioned and that John Maxwell & John T. Sloan was with himself subscribing witnesses to the same.

SWORN to before me 8th Jan'y 1849.

GREEN STEPHENS.

W. D. STEELE, O.P.D.

Be it Remembered that on the 8th day of Jan'y, 1849, the last Will and Testament of Richard Hallum, Dec'd was proven in common form by the oath of Green Stephens.

W. D. STEELE, O.P.D.

RECORDED in Pickens District Will Book No. 1, pages 134 & 135.