

South Carolina)

Richland District) I, James Adams of the State and District aforesaid being in my perfect senses, do make and declare this to be my last will and testament.

First - My lawful debts being first paid, I dispose of my estate in the manner following. -

Secondly- I wish my daughter Sarah to have of my negroes in number and quality such as will be equal to what I have already given my son Joel; as a part of which, I wish the following included viz; Allen, Sylvia and her children; the balance to make up said number and quality, to be selected by disinterested persons, provided my daughter and my executors cannot do it themselves. Also over and above, I wish her to have, house Peter, Sarah and her children.

Thirdly - I wish my daughter Grace to have Jack, Nancy and her children, together with ten more negroes, viz, five males and five females, such as may be considered field hands similar to those given my son Joel, selected in the manner provided in the preceding clause.

Fourthly - The following I give as special legacies - To Sarah, I gave Paul, Dinah and Maria - To Joel I give Peter Sumpter, Letty, Bella and child - To James, I give yellow Bob, Tab, Cinda and child - And to Grace I give Shadrack, Lucinda Essex and Lewis her two children and Harriett, daughter of old Bob. -

Fifthly.- The balance of my negroes, together with the rest of my personal estate I wish to be equally divided among my children

Sixthly - Of my lands lying between Cabin Branch and Cedar Creek I wish my son Joel to have Two hundred acres and my son James also to have Two hundred acres. The balance of said lands, I wish to be equally divided between my daughters Sarah and Grace. Also my share of the swamp and the

self, I wish to go to my children equally, and if they become unwilling to continue embanking the swamp lands as I have commenced, then, they may sell their interest in the same, giving to my brothers Joel and Robert Adams, the refusal thereof. My Sand hill house, lot and furniture, I wish my daughter Sarah to have, and my son Joel to occupy the same with her, upon the same terms, he has always lived with me, as long as he may think proper. The rest of my Sand hill lands I wish to be kept together, for the joint benefit of all my children and their heirs. Also, I wish my Hills reserved for the especial and joint uses of all my children and their heirs, and each and all of them, to be entitled to get timber from the whole of my lands, lying between Cabin Branch and Cedar Creek for said uses.

All of the above lands as disposed shall be subject to the following condition, namely, should either of my children die, leaving no lawful bodily heirs at the time of his or her death, his or proportion thus bequeathed, shall revert to the survivors.

Lastly - I do hereby appoint my sons Joel and James executors of this my last will and testament. Given under my hand and seal this eleventh day of July Eighteen hundred and forty

~~James Adams~~ and Lewis her two children James Adams

interlined before signing

Executed in presence of us

Robert J Adams

James Adams Jr.

Joel Adams Sr.

- Probate of James Adams's Will -

State of South Carolina) By James S. Guignard Esquire, Ord-
Richland District) inary of said District.

Personally appeared before me James Adams Jr. who, being duly sworn, made oath and said, that he saw James Adams

sign, seal, publish, pronounce, and declare, the annexed instrument of writing, bearing date the Eleventh day of July last to be and contain his last Will and Testament; that he the said James Adams was then of sound and disposing mind, memory, and understanding, according to the best of Deponents knowledge and belief, and that the said James Adams Junior with Robert J Adams & Joel Adams Sen'r at the request of the Testator in his presence, and in the presence of each other, witnesses the due execution thereof.

James Adams Jr.

Sworn to and subscribed before me,
this tenth day of February A.D. 1841

James S Guignard

Ordinary

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