

in the Name of God Almighty, the Ruler of the Universe
this World, and all other Worlds, visible and invisible,
whose benevolent designs are perspicuous enough, or suf-
ficiently so, or perceived, to direct the conduct of those
who reflect on Common providential occurrences, and with
serious devout reading of the Holy Scriptures, such exer-
cises I have often used, or endeavored with serious views
to bring about the effect of producing a tranquil mind and
a calm conscience.

I say in his Great Name who directs all events as I devout-
ly believe, I ought therefore towards the close of a life
spent, as much rationally, and in most respects, as health-
ful as I had a right to expect, with I say rational enjoy-
ments, upon further occasional reflections, I may and must
as is the destiny of other mortals, go out of this life,
under the Almighty's views and plans for my benefit here-
after; I therefore cheerfully resign myself accordingly,
and cannot but think hope and trust, shall stand as good
a chance for a seat among the celestial spirits as the gen-
erality of mortals, much mystery there is in religion but
enough to know which is the right path among wrong paths,
and which ought to be chosen.

To my Son I devise give and bequeath every article or thing
no matter of the nature of it which I own, or am possessed
of, or ~~have~~ joy ~~and~~ I have heretofore, and hitherto enjoyed,
or may have a right to possess and enjoy to be owned and
distributed by him for his benefit, or the benefit use and
convenience of him and his heirs as he may deem right, having
in his mind a recollection of my wishes that he will be as
attentively humane and also acting reasonably as a Master and
friend, to the negroes(Slaves) which I have been possessed
of and perhaps own as the Law might direct, if I had made
application, favoring them with a number of articles as might
suit for their impressive recollection of my treatment to

them--Some to Mrs. Ford, and remainder as he my Said Son
may judge proper his own Children he ought and must take
care of as a friend and Parent--

The above written by the undersigned as his Will and Test-
ament- and intended perhaps to be looked over, very little
correction I think needs but still, or yet, I ought to re-
peruse such remarks, because further thoughts may arise.

J. G. Guignard.

a bad Pen this 26 October 1820 .

N. B. I have written down among some of my Papers Some Ex-
pressions and remarks, which my Son may improve upon as he
judges fit and right and which do not militate against my
general thoughts herein expressed --he is at liberty this
or any other of my Wills, should one appear preferable to
the other---

The State of South Carolina

By James S. Guignard Esquire Ordinary.

Whereas John Gabriel Guignard Esquire late of Richland Dis-
trict deceased died leaving a Will and not appointing a n
Executor therein by means whereof the power of granting
the administration of the Estate and Effects of the Said John
G. Guiggard deceased to me is manifestly known to belong
and whereas Thomas T. Willison hath made suit to me to grant
him Letters of Administration of the Estate and Effects of
the Said John G. Guignard deceased with his Will annexed--

I therefore in consideration of the Premises and that the
Goods and Chattels rights and Credits of the Said John Gab-
riel Guignard deceased may be well and truly administered,
converted and disposed of according to Law, do hereby give
and grant unto the Said Thomas T. Willisson (in whose
fidelity in this behalf I very much confide) full power and
authority by the tenor of these Presents to administer and
faithfully dispose of the Goods and Chattels rights

WILL OF

JOHN G. GUIGNARD.

and credits of the Said John Gabriel Guignard deceased according to the effect and tenor of the Said will. And first to pay the debts of the Said John Gabriel Guignard deceased which he did owe at the time of his death afterwards the Legacies contained in and specified by the Said will as far as such Goods and Chattels rights and Credits will thereto extend and the Law requires being first Sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God to make a true and perfect inventory thereof and to exhibit the same into the ordinarys office in order to be recorded on or before the Eleventh day of May next ensuing -- And I do ordain depute and constitute you the said Thomas T. Willisson administraton of all and singular the Goods and Chattels rights and Credits of the Said John Gabriel Guignard deceased with his will annexed.

Given under my hand and Seal this Eleventh day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty two----

James S. Guignard - Ordinary.

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