

I Absalom Lancaster of the District of Spartanburgh & State of South Carolina being low in health but of sound disposing memory and understanding prais'd be God for the same, and calling to mind I must shortly die do make this my last will & Testament recommending my Soul to God and my body to the dust to be decently buried at the discretion of my friends & Executor hereafter mentioned, at the plantation of my son William, and as for my little worldly living I desire the same should be distributed amongst my family in the following manner viz.

1st I will the whole of Land to my beloved wife Salley Lancaster during her natural life or widowhood but after her decease or marriage my will is that my son Allen have the same to him and his heirs forever.

2nd I will to my Daughters Nancy, Cynthia & Levy one bed & furniture each, which has been generally called theirs to be delivered to them at the discretion of their mother.

3rd I will to my daughter Levy a Heifer & young Cow and Calf which has been generally call'd hers.

4th As to the rest of my Children, William, John & son in law Alexander Gray I have given them as much of my living as I have now to give the rest some of whom of them hath sunk more of my little living than I now have to distribute to the rest.

5th My will is that my old Negro man Sam should stay on the plantation to help support my family & after the decease or marriage of my wife, I will him to my son Allen forever

6th All the rest of my living of whatever nature or kind soever, my desire is that after the decease or marriage of my wife, the same should be equally divided between my Children Viz, Thomas, Nancy, Cynthia & Levy.

7th And I do hereby nominate constitute & appoint my son Allen sole Executor of this my last will & Testament hereby revoking and making void all and every other will or wills at any time heretofore by me made: and do declare this to be my last will & Testament. In witness whereof I the said Absalom Lancaster

year of our Lord 1814.

Signed Seal'd, declar'd & publish'd

by the above named Absalom

Lancaster as and for his last will

& Testament, in the presence of us,

Who at his request, and in His

presence have Subscribed our names

as Witnes's thereto

A. Lancaster (L.S.)

A. Benson

Geo. Thomason

Thos. Poole

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Box 16, Pkg. 17.

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W. Lancaster O.S.D.

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