

WILL OF
JOHN GOWEN

In the name of GOD Amen. I John Gowen being afflicted by the hand of Almighty GOD and knowing it is once ordained for man to die, do ordain constitute and appoint this my last will and testament, hereby revoking all other wills by no means excepting such property as I have already bestowed to my Children I pray GOD to take my Soul who gave it, my Body to return from whence it came, and be buried, in a christian manner by direction of my Executors to be herein after named 1st I bequeath unto my son Winn B Gowen a Tract of Land laying & being in Greenville District on both sides of Middle Tygar River, the line to begin at the mouth of a Branch--emptying into the said River on the North side below the hill, thence direct line to the upper end of a big cove & to the line of my land thence with my lines opposite to the Beginning also two Negroes called Ned and Spence, together with the Stock of Cattle and Hogs now on the premises before mentioned one bed and furniture, and also my part of a Bay Gelding that he rides - 2dly I bequeath unto my Daughter Letty, a plantation known by the name Basleys Place, Three negroe girls known by the name of Anna Ede & Harriot, one Bed, and furniture two Cows and Calves 3dly I bequeath unto my Daughter Minerva a Tract of Land on the south side of Saluda where my Son James Gowen attended Two Negroes, named Tresa and Ira, one bed and furniture, one hundred Dollars to purchase a horse beast. 2 cows and calves and their mothers Saddle. 4thly I bequeath unto my Daughter Elizabeth Goodson a tract of Land on Tygar River called Sulsias Place 5thly I bequeath to my Son James Gowen eight hundred acres to begin at the foard of the River on so Picolite now used between here and where he now lives and thence a North course so to include the school house spring where Davis teachd and Thence round to a line to be made for John Roddy, thence, to the beginning so as to include the Jamison Fields 6thly I give and bequeath to my Grandson, John Gowen, son of William, deceased, all the lands between what I have given Winn and Litty that I own also one Giraffe

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to my Grand Daughter Mahulda, a Negroe Boy called Buck.
Unto Matilda a Negroe Boy called Sip, A Negroe Boy named
Ben unto Letty, my grand daughter. If any of these Legatees,
die without lawful Issue, the property to return & be equally
divided between my children then living, I hereby appoint

John and Winn Gowen my Sons and James Blansingame and Street
Thirston my sons in law to be Executors of this my last Will
and Testament to sell on a credit of twelve months all the
real and personal property that I have not before bequeathed
except two Hundred acres of Land to be laid off agreeable to
deed of Gift made to AntIntie and Dorindas, Daughters of Polly
Saunders. My debts to be paid and if any balance left to be
equally divided between all my Children living borne by my
Wife Letty deceased In witness whereof I have set my hand this
twentieth day of August A.D. 1810.

in presence of;

Theron Earle

C. W. Vay

Willus G. Brown

John Gowen

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Christopher Goliightly O. S. D.