

WILL OF

BUNELL FORT

SOUTH CAROLINA }

SUMTER DISTRICT }

In the name of god AMEN. I Bunell Fort do make

this my Last will and testament, and first of all I give my soul to god, who gave it, and my body, I recommend to the earth, to be buried, in a Christian like manner Nothing doubting but at the

general resurrection. I shall receive, the same by the mighty power Of, god and as to my worldly estate; I demise and dispose of it

the same in the following Manner; Item. I give and bequeath to

Celoa Fort my dearly beloved wife two negroes Namely Ben and Clarissa, these two negroes, in lieu of dower to her and her issue

forever; - Item. I give and bequeath, to my said wife during her

widowhood, the following negroes; Henry. Billy. Flora. Agga. Mar-

iller, & Adam. and the use of my dwelling house and out houses,

And one hundred acres of land, and timber for her use and the Cor-

rel more known by the name Mulatto Mary and the riding Chair and

harness, and as much of my. plantation tools as, May be, necessary

for her hands to work; and from and after her marriage, or death

which ever May first, happen, the last named negroes, real and per-

sonal property to be equally divided Between my Children; Item. I

give to Jane Elisabeth Roundtree four negroes namely Hannah Arms-

trong. Mary. Lucinda. And three hundred acres of land more or

less known by the Smith land To her and her issue if any living;

but should the said Jane depart this life before the age of Twenty

one years without issue living or should, she at any future period

depart this life, without issue living then the said legacy to re-

turn to my estate; Item. I demise to my Son Josiah Granderson

Fort and his heirs forever; The Holloway tract of land being the

land Conveyed to me by the Commissiонер, in equity; Item. I give

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devise all the rest and residue, Of my land to my two daughters
Sarah Pysene and Susannah Caroline Fort's for their Natural lives;
And from and after their, deaths to such Child or Children that
they may Leave alive at their deaths; each of my Children to have,
an equal share of my. Personal estate; My daughters, shares to her
Child or Children; My Children to live with My wife, while they
remain single, & my wife single; my wife is not to have any Part
of my Childrens, estate in Case either, of them should die, under

age or unmarried; but the part of the dead Child leaving no. Child or Children to go. to my Surviving Children; And I do hereby, utter disallow, revoke and disannul, all & every Other, former testament wills legacies, and bequests, by me in any wise, before named Willed and bequeathed, ratifying and Confirming, this and no other to be my, last Will and testament, in witness whereof I have hereunto, set my hand and seal, Signed Sealed, witnessed and delivered, in the presence of each other each signing and Looking on the others, signing in the presence of the whole:

July 26th, 1831

Bunell Fort (SEAL)

Hodden H-Coy

Elisha H-Coy

Daniel Brunson

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This My Codicill

In the name of God Amen: I Bunell Fort; in the year 1831. did make my last will and testament and am now desirous to have some addition made to my last will and Testament and do hereby make this my Codicill: which Codicill I wish to be annexed to my said will and Testament and to be considered as part of my will and testament in manner and form following.

First - It is my wish and desire and I do give and bequeath unto my son Josiah G Fort one Negro man Dave and my blacksmith tools more than his equal proportion of the division of my personal property among my three Children. It is further my wish that my Children do stay and remain with their Mother And that my property to be kept together and worked on the plantation for the support and Education of my Children; with the exception of the property given to my beloved wife; she is to do with her property as

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the tenor of my will and this my Codicil.

It is further my wish and desire that the property given to my two daughters Sarah Pyrene and Susanna Carlina & to their Issue shall not be subject to Any debts or contracts made by their husband should they Marry. It is further My wish and desire that should any one or more of my Children die; leaving no Issue in that case the property left to either of them to be ^{equally} divided between ^{my} the Surviving Children at their death.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set My hand and seal this twentieth day of July in the year of our Lord 1832 And in the Fifty Seventh year of American Independence.

Signed Sealed and Acknowledged by me Bunell Fort as my Codicil and as part of my last will and testament in presence of us-

William Potts Sen.

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J.R. Witherspoon

Bunell Fort (SEAL)

Joan Potts

I Bunell Fort as recollecting that I have omitted somethings which I have not inserted in My will and first Codicil do hereby Make this My second Codicil which do hereby consider it as my will and testament as follows. - In the first place It is my will the increase of the females given in any of the legacies specified in My will and testament to go with the Mother and be considered as part of the legacy

Secondly It is my wish that should My wife Collie die before my Children Arrive to the Age of twenty one or Marry then in that Case My Children or Child to go under the Care of My Friend William Potts Sen and Jane Potts and be brought up under their direction, whom I leave as Trustee & Guardian for my said Children

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tween ^{my} the Surviving Children at their death.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set My hand and seal this
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after the death of my beloved wife Celia.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand Seal this Seventh
day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred
and thirty two and in the Fifty Seventh year of American Indepen-
dence. Signed Seale and Acknowledged in presence of us By the
said Bunell Fort as his Codicil and part of his will.

William Potts Sen.

B.Fort (SEAL)

Wiley Fort

Elijah Fringle