

EVAN BENBOW

In the Name of God Amen--I Evan Benbow of Clarendon County in the district of Sumter and State of South Carolina Planter, being of Sound Mind Memory and understanding Do make this my last will and Testament As follows to wit-----First I give bequeath and devise to my beloved wife Martha Benbow the use of all my real and personal Estate during ^{her} Widowhood-----

Item I give to my niece Rebeckah Tisdal and hir children forever four hundred dollars worth of property-----

Item I give and devise to the children of Benjamin F West Deceased four hundred dollars worth of property-----

Item I give and devise to the Children of Joseph C West Deceased five hundred dollars worth of property-----

Item I give and devise to the Children of Elisabeth Pardue four hundred dollars worth of property-----
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provided her husband Leroye pardue do pay to me or my estate the ballance of a note I hold on him lent for money him^

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Item. I give and devise to Evan Benbow Cleyton one hundred dollars in money-----

Item. I give and devise to Evan Benbow the son of Edward Benbow one hundred dollars in money-----

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Item. I give and devise to Evan Benbow Carr Son of John Carr one hundred dallars in money-----

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Marry then then I give and devise to her three sevenths of all my the residue remainder of all my reale and personal estate meaning all moneys in hand all debts due my estate and bank stock as my estate to her and hir heirs for ever, But should she Marry I do hereby authorise and impower her by will or deed hereby executed by her (the said will or deed not to take effect untill after her

death) To bequath and devise or convey by deed or will as afore
 said three Seventh parts of all my reale and personal estate as
 she may chuse---I do heare by impower and direct my executors (but
 not my executrix) on the marriage of my beloved wife Martha Benbow
 or on hir death which ever may first happen to have my estate reale
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 ver over to My Said wife as soon after her marriage ^{as may be} convenient
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 possession of her part of my reale estate, But should she never marry
 that then they deliver the said three seventh parts of my Reale ~~reale~~
 and personal Estate to the executors of my said wife if she leaves
 a will but if she disposes of her said shares of my estate by deed
 then and in that case that they deliver the said three Seventh
 part to the persons claiming under her deed or will-----The other
 four Seventh parts of my estate I will and devise as follows to
 wit

Item. I give and devise to the Children of my Sister Arcadia Tyson
 for ever the one forth part of the said four Seventh of my estate
 reale and personal-----

Item. I give and devise to the Children of my Brother Edward Bin-
 bow ^{deceased} forever the one forth part of the said four Seventh of my
 estate reale and personal-----

Item. I give and devise to my Brother Girshon Benbow the one forth
 part of the Said four Seventh of my estate reale and personal for
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Item. I give and devise to the Children of My Nephew James Gibson
 the son of my sister Sarah Gibson deceased the one half of the last
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or on his death which ever may first happen to have my estate real and personal divided as follow that is to say that they appoint five respectable free holders from amongst my neighbours to divide my estate in to seven equal parts as may be and that they do deliver over to My Said wife as soon after her marriage ^{as may be} convenient three sevenths parts of the personal estate and Suffer her to take possession of her part of my real estate, But should she never Marry that then they deliver the said three sevenths parts of my Real and personal Estate to the executors of my said wife if she leaves a will but if she disposes of her said shares of my estate by deed then and in that case that they deliver the said three Sevenths part to the persons claiming under her deed or will-----The other four Sevenths parts of my estate I will and devise as follows to wit

Item. I give and devise to the Children of my Sister Arcadia Tyson for ever the one fourth part of the said four Sevenths of my estate real and personal-----

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Item. I give and devise to the Children of My Nephew James Gibson the son of my sister Sarah Gibson deceased the one half of the last four Sevenths of my estate for ever-----

Item. I give and devise to Edward Benbow Gibson the grand son of my Sister Sarah Gibson Deceased and the son of Evan Benbow Gibson Deceased the one half of the remaining last fourth part of the four Sevenths of my estate real and personal for ever It is my will that in case of the death of Edward Benbow Gibson leaving no issue lawfully begotten of his own body then and in such case the part of my

estate left to him shall be divided between the Children of my Brother Edward Benbow Deceased and the Children of my Brother Girshon Benbow for ever-----

Lastly I do hereby Nominate and appoint My beloved wife Martha Benbow my sole Executrix hereof during her widowhood and after her Marriage or death which ever May first happen--I do hereby Nominate and appoint My Brother Girshon Benbow. My Nephew Markly Benbow-- Joel L. Grien--and My particular friends. John B. Miller Mathew James Adam Dingle--William Connors--James W. Belvin and John H. Ragin Junr my executors hereof. Hereby revoking all former wills and testaments made by me-----

In witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and fixed my Seal This ^{Twenty first day of June 1836} ^{www.southcarolinapioneers.net} in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred and Thirty four

Signed (being sealed) in the presents of us who have hereunto Set our hands at the request of Evan Benbow

James C. Coggeshall

Evan Benbow (SEAL)

William J. Reynolds.

James P. Richbourg

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(Recorded February 1st 1836)

William Lewis Ordway S.D.

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