

South Carolina.

In the Name of God Amen - James Atkinson of St Marks parish Craven County and Province of South Carolina Planter being thro the abundant Mercies of God, in perfect Health and sound and discerning mind and memory Do, for avoiding Controversies after my Decease make publish and Declare this my last Will and Testament in manner following And first I commend my Soul into the Hands of Almighty God that gave it not in the least doubting that I shall receive the same again at the Resurrection of the Dead thro the merits of Jesus Christs, my Saviour my Body I commit to the Earth to be Buried decently at the Discretion of such my Friends as shall have the direction thereof; and as touching and concerning such Estate and affairs where with it hath pleased God to blefs me in this world, I give and bequeath thereof as follows - I leave to my loving wife Elizebeth Atkinson during her natural Life and no longer the use and profits of the Plantation whereon I now live situate on El River; as also the use and labour of the three following Negro Slaves viz, ^{Daniel} David, Jenney and, Jack and Eight pick Cows 1 Calve and Eight sows and pigs as also a Feather bed and furniture - I give and bequeath to my son Marmaduke Atkinson one Negro man slave named Ned - I give and bequeath to my son Chadrick Atkinson one negro man slave named Will and one Negro woman slave named ris. and the increase of her Body, the said Negroes he now has in pofsefsion - I give and bequeath to my son Fedrick Atkinson one Negro man slave named Simon the said negro he has now in pofsefsion - I give and bequeath to my son Adwill Atkinson one Negro man slave named Isaac and one negro boy slave named Joe and one Negro gairl slave named Lucy and bed and furniture now in his pofsefsion - I give and bequeath to the Heirs of my Daughter Martha Lenior deceased one negro woman slave named Sarah and the increase of her body which said negro, now have in pofsefsion - I give and bequeath to my Daughter Lucy Crofswell and the Heairs of her Body one negro woman slave and her increase forever which said Negro they now have in pofsefsion and her name is Mall - I give and bequeath to my Daughter Elizebeth Atkinson

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one Negro Woman Slave named Winney and her increase for ever the said negro they have now in possession - I give and bequeath to my Daughter ^{Sylvia} Spight and her Heirs three Negro girls Salves name Pegg Sarah and Cate and their increase for ever, and after my Wifes Decease I give to my afore said ^D Daughter Sylvia the above mentioned negro Woman Slave named Jenny also a Feather Bed and furniture the said Bed she has now in possession - If my son Marmaduke Should survive me, I give and bequeath to him one other negro man slave named Jack - and it is my will and Desire that the above mentioned Negro Dannel shall be appraised by my three sons Shadrick, Fedrick and Adwill after my Wifes Decease and one of them to purchase the said negro paying one third of the appraisment to each of the other two and after my Wifes Deceased I give and bequeath to my son Adwill Atkinson the plantation whereon I now live I give and bequeath to my children namely Marmaduke, Sharrick, Fedrick, Lucy and Elezebeth to Each of them twenty five pounds out of a note Due from John McQueen to me and all my other Estate not bequeathed above to be sold my Debts and funeral Expences to be paid and the Remainder to be equally Devided between my then Surviving Children - and I nominate & appoint my loveing wife Elezebeth Atkinson Executrix and my two sons Shadrick & Fedrick to be Executors of this my last will and Testament In witness where of I have here unto set my hand & Seal this 31st Day of october 1785 -
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