

of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and eleven, I James Davis of Sumter District in the State of South Carolina, being of perfect strength of Body, mind and memory, Do make, constitute and ordain this my last Will and Testament. First and principally I tender and recommend my immortal Soul to God who gave it, Steadfastly trusting in his mercy, & the intercession of Jesus Christ for everlasting life and as touching my worldly goods, wherewith it hath pleased God of his infinite goodness and mercy to endow me in this life, I do give, bequeath, and dispose of in the following manner and form. Imprimis, I give, bequeath and devise to my beloved grand children William James Mathews and Sarah Mathews the following named negroes Viz. Nelly, Hannah Cinda & Dick with their future issue and increase. Item, I give, bequeath and devise to my beloved grand children Susanna Mouzon and Rebecca Mouzon to them & their heirs in equal proportion the following named negroes Viz: Will, Dinah & her children, Celinda, Nancy & Lucy, and Charlotte and her three children, Clarissa, Betty and Lucy with their future issue and increase. Item, I give, bequeath and ~~and~~ devise to my aforesaid grand children, William James Mathews, Sarah Mathews, Susanna Mouzon and Rebecca Mouzon Three Tracts or Plantations of land containing in the whole four thousand three hundred and forty four acres of Land, granted to myself, and situate lying and being in Clarendon County, Sumter District on deep Creek the waters Bell River; and that William James Mathews, and Sarah Mathews shall have the South moiety; and Susanna Mouzon and Rebecca Mouzon to have the north moiety; and to be equally divided between the four, share and share alike. But if either of my grand children should die, before they arrive to the age of twenty-one years, or without lawfull issue or unmarried, then the property of such so dying, I will and direct shall be equally divided amongst the Survivors of them; and in case of the decease of the whole of them leaving no issue lawfully begotten, then I will and bequeath the whole of the property real & personal to my beloved Son John Gamble Davis & his Heirs forever. Item, I will and direct that my Stock of Cattle, Horses & household furniture be disposed of by my Executors.

they do pay all my just debts with every possible means from the proceeds of my Estate. Item. I give and devise to my two mulattoe boys who were indentured to me, a years Schooling to each, and a Suit of cloathes when they arrive to the age of twenty-one years. Item, I give, bequeath and devise to my beloved Son John Gamble Davis & to his heirs forever, the rest and residue of my Estate both real and personal of whatsoever nature or kind it may consist not herein ~~before~~ before disposed of when he shall arrive to the age of twenty-one years. but if he should ~~die~~ before he shall arrive to the aforesaid age & leave no issue lawfully begotten, then I give and bequeath all that property to my four grand children herein before mentioned and in case of their decease leaving no issue lawfully begotten, I give the said property to the children of my deceased brother Benjamin Davis, share & share alike in equal proportion to such as may be then living.---Lastly, I do hereby nominate constitute and appoint my beloved son John Gamble Davis, and my friends Charles Richardson, James Carson & James B. Richardson Executors to this my last Will & testament, utterly revoking, disavowing & disallowing all other ~~will or wills, testament or Testaments.~~ and acknowledging this and no other to be my last will & Testament, contained on these three pages of paper, and to be construed in the liberal and literal sence and meaning. In witnesswhereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal the day & year first above written.-----

Signed, Sealed, acknowledged, pronounced and declared to be my & Will & testament ~~xxx~~ In the presence of.-----

Ann C. Richardson

JDavis (SEAL)

Rich^d Moore

Kra^s Spring

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William Potts ord S.D.