

WILL OF
JAMES HELTON

South Carolina Clarendon County-----

In the Name of God I James Helton of the State and County aforesaid being at perfect mind and memory, do make this my last Will and Testament First I recommend my Soul to God almighty, that gave it and my body to the earth decent christian burial at the discretion of my Executors, and as touching Such worldly estate as it has pleased God to blefs me with, I give and dispose of in form and Manner following first I desire that my loving Wife Rebecca Helton Shall have the whole of my estate during her life and after her death I desire that the two tracts of land whereon the plantation is now shall go to my son John James Helton and the other lands, to be equally devided between my two sons William Jofse Helton, and Joshua Coale Helton, and as for the Stock of all kinds, Negroes and household furniture, I desire to be equally devided between My children, after the death of my wife and as for the disposing of any of the property belonging to the said estate, I leave at the Will of the Exors as they may think best. for the benefit of the said estate, and if my three Sons should all die leaving no issue I desire my Brother William Helton May have the whole of the estate, and the land whereon William does now live, being seventy acres, a part of a tract of 170 acres, I desire my Exors, may make titles to the said William and when he pays for sd land according to bargain who is to be at all Costs of titles and pay ten pounds, fourteen shillings and six pence with Interest from March 1791 provided the said William complies with said Bargain in two years, from this date---Hope Ridgeway is also to have a part of a tract of land in ox Swamp Supposed to be 100 acres at twelve pounds ten shillings with Interest from Nov^r 1791 provided he pays in four years from said date, and be at the Cost of titles, and I do hereby constitute and

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appoint my dear wife Rebecca Hilton and trusty friends, William
Helton and John Ridgill to be the exors of this my last Will and
Testament ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last
Will and testament in Witnes^s whereof, I sett my hand and Seal
this ninth day of March in the year of our lord one thousand seven
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of the united States the Nineteenth-----

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James Helton (SEAL)

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(Recorded May 5th 1799)

William Humphrey Clerk of Court

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