

WILL OF  
JOHN DOW

In the Name of God Amen, This the fourteenth day of June one Thousand Eight hundred and twenty five, I John Dow of Sumter District South Carolina being weak of Body, but of perfect strength of Mind and Memory, Blessed be God for this indulgent goodness to Me, knowing the uncertainty of all things, Do Make constitute and ordain this My last Will and Testament. First and principally I tender My immortal Soul to God who gave it, steadfastly Trusting in his Mercy, & as Touching My worldly goods wherewith it has been pleased God to endow Me with, I do give bequeath, and dispose of in the following manner and form, I wish & direct that the carriage Belonging to the Estate of My late Aunt Dorcas Dow & a good pair of horses shall be purchased by My Executor for the sole use & property of Mrs. Susanna Boyd - the wife of My kind good friend Doctor John Boyd - & - I will and direct that all my Books shall be as soon as possible after My Death Be delivered by My executor to My Good and faithful friend, Doctor John Boyd, as a small memorial of the high regard & Esteem I have for him - I will & Direct ~~that~~ <sup>that</sup> ~~one hundred and~~ <sup>one hundred and</sup> ~~thirty~~ <sup>thirty</sup> Dollars shall be and remain in the hands of My Friend John Peter Richardson for the support and Benefit of a certain Negro woman named Maria Belonging to the Estate of Robert Dow Dec<sup>d</sup> for her good & faithful service to Me during my present Illness, and I will and Direct that My Executor shall give out of My Estate thirty Dollars to a certain Negro Man Named Ben Belonging to the Estate of My late uncle Robert Dow, for and in consideration of his kind and faithful service on Me during my present Illness and at all other times - and I also will and direct that fifty Dollars worth of stock Cattle shall be purchased by My Executor for the use of a Certain Negro woman named Penelope Now be-

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other to be my last will & Testament & to be construed in the most liberal manner, in witness whereof I do hereby set my hand & Seal in the presence of

Henry Dennis

John Dow (SEAL)

Thomas McDonfield

Charles Richardson

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