

WILL OF
JOHN JAMES

In The Name of god Amen I John James of the parrish of Faint Mark
Craven County South Carolina planter beine in a low state of
Health of body but of perfect Mine and Memory Thanks Be givin Unto
god Cauling Unto Mine the Mortality of my Body and knowing that it
is Opointed for all Men once to Die do make and ordain This My las
Will and Testament That is to say principally land firat of all
I give and Recomend My Sole into the hands of My Almighty God
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the same again By the Mighty power of God and as touching such
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Also I give to My son John James the old plantation alway ruled and know by the high hill tavorn Containes in ballance of apart sold to John G.Gilyard 238 acres. to geather with 3 Neagros the names BenBidgbaty & Siah 2 young horses 1 Naimed Spanker and the other young Markray. 5 Ewes 1 feather bed My Silver Watch the said to be in his sd John own possession at the sd John being 21 years of age daughter Lucy the 200 acres of land on bear

creek Known by James Randale Wife to geather with 3 Neagros
Named Little heir daughter Milla & heir Son January 1 bay
Mare named ~~pastre~~ Martin 5 Ewes 1 feather bed and furnature
1 young sow. to heir and the lawful heirs of heir body the
sd goods and their increas for ever
Also I give to My son Samuel James 184 Acors of Land joining
to the old survey high hill tavorn joining Daniel Hollady up
to Mr Sandors a tract containind 200 acors 16 acors titled to
Nathaniel Moore Kallane; 18L to geather with 3 Neagros Jimmie
& James Wila & Winna 1 yong hore Named fear not 1 tract of
land in the fork of Raftin Creek Containing 150 acors bought
of Gilbart Croswell 5 Ewes 2 sows 1 feather bead & furniture
to him the said Samuel and to his lawfull heirs of his body
for Evar

Also I give to My Daughtor Sarah James Jun^r 2 tracts of Land
Contains 100 acors Each 1 Mofee Jargason the other 100 acors
at the Uppor End of the White Doarpon also 3 Neagros 1 Named
Sarah 1 Named Yallo hanna 1 Mary ann 1 Mear that I bought of
William Bracy Itom the col't the Mair has now is wild My son
John James by the Name of Markray 5 Ewes 2 sows 1 bed and
furnature to heir and the lawful heirs of heir body for Evar.
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Mufn Swamp part of 400 acors warrant also 3 Neagros Named
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Also all My Drafts to be collected and all My depts paid and the
over plusse to rais & school My Children in the hand of My wife
whilst she Remans My wido and aftor paying the Exence of proving
My will and other Expence that do arise or such things I also
request My Executors to see that no waist onor rong is Don to
Non of thesse. Nither wife nor children Lastly I do Nominate
& Constitute and appoint My living wife Sarah James Co'll.

Singleton & John James Minor to be Executors for this my last will and testament and I do hereby Disallow Revolk and Disalnul all and Every other former will testament legacy gift and bequeath by me maid at any time ralafing allowing and conferming this and no other to be My last will and testament in testimon whear of I have set my hand and seal

This 11th July and year of our one thousand Seavin Hundread and Seavinty Eight

John James (SEAL)

John Holladay

Benjaman Holday

William Hollardy

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it is My will and great Desiar to My Neagro fellow toney shall serve wife and My wife shall Do as this life beforue he is att the Eage of six years then he the said toney to serve My yonges child that is stil living until he the said toney is of the Eage of sixty years and then to sat at libarty to go free

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John has 3 Ben

Bignady

Siah

Nancy 3 Little Betty

Bets hanner

Bets son January

Samuel 3 Jimmie

James Wilay

Winney

Sarah 3 Sarah

Wallow hanna

Marana

Rebecca 3 Joan Wilay

Moses

Willeys hanna

(Not recorded in Will Book)

Sworn Sept. 1st 1784

Jn^o Harbirt J.P.