

I give to my dear wife all my household furniture, plate, Carriages & Carriage horses. After all my just debts are paid, I give & devise the residue of my estate real & personal to my said wife, and to my children Anna, Elizabeth, Charlotte, Thomas, Catherine, William, Mary, Julius, and my grandson Thomas Waties, their heirs & assigns, to be divided among them in equal Shares; but it is my will that my daughters Charlotte and Catherine & my grandson Thomas Waties do take, during the life of my said wife, only one half of the respective shares which shall be allotted to them, and that their remaining half shares be added to the share to be allotted to my said wife, to be held by her during her life, and after her death to revert respectively to my said daughters Charlotte & Catherine & my said grandson Thomas Waties, or to such child or children of each of them respectively as may be then living.

I also give & devise to my said wife & my three Daughters Anna Elizabeth & Mary, & the survivors or survivor of them, during life, the use of my family seat called Warden, & the land belonging to it, provided that, ^{if} either of my said daughters shall marry, her interest in the same shall cease, & enure to those who remain single.

As this distribution of a small estate is necessary to enable me to provide a competent support for my wife, and a home for her & my unmarried daughter, I trust that my dear Charlotte & Catherine, who have been more favored in their circumstances, will view it as a proper measure, and believe notwithstanding that they share equally with my other children in my warmest affection.

It is further my will that the negroes given by me heretofore in advance to any of my children shall, with their increase since, be taken & considered as part of their respective shares of my ^{or} estate on the division thereof. And as I have made large advances for the education of my son Julius than for any other of my chil-

...note for One thousand dollars to my friend John Julius Pringle, which he has assigned to me for the benefit of my said son, shall with the interest on such half be deducted from his share of my estate on account of the said advancement.

I constitute & appoint my wife executrix, and my sons Thomas & William, & my son in law Orlando S. Rees, executors of this my will; and I authorize them to sell any part of my lands & negroes before a division thereof, except Marden (unless my wife and daughters to whom it is devised for life shall desire the sale thereof), either for the payment of debts, or for any other purpose which may appear to my wife & children to be beneficial to them. In witness whereof I have hereto set my hand & seal this twenty fifth day of March in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred & twenty eight.

Signed, Sealed, & declared)
to be the last will of Thomas)
Waties in the presence of us)
whose names are Subscribed,)

Tho. Waties (SEAL)

Mary Ann Converse

Mary Lisk.

Augustus L. Converse.

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