

WILL OF

WILLIAM RAFOR BELL

In the Name of God Amen I William Rafor Bell of the State of South Carolina Ditrict of Sumter, & County of Salem, Planter, being very sick & weak in Body, but of Perfect, Mind & Memory, thanks be given unto God, calling Unto Mind the Mortality of my Body, & knowing that it is appointed for all Men once to die, do make & ordain this my last will & Testament; That is to say, principally & first of all, I give & recommend my Soul into the Hands of Almighty God, that gave it and my Body, I recommend to the Earth to be burried in a Decent Christian burial at the Discretion of my Executors, Nothing doubting, But at the general resurrection, I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God. And as touching such worldly Estate wherewith it has pleased God to blefs me in this life; I give, demise and Dispose of the same in the following Manner & form,-----

First, I allow all my lawful Debts, to be paid, out of the penible property & Cropitem, I give, unto my beloved Wife Mary, the use of my plantation Whereon I now live and all my Stock, of cattle & Hoggs & together with my Horfe Creatures, & plantation & farming Tools During her life time, for the benefit of my children, if she remains single and if she should Mary, then in that Case, all the property to be divided, as hereafter to be

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bequeath unto my beloved sons, John Bell, Archibald Bell Thomas Bell William Bell, James Bell, Dowry Bell, Jefse Bell, Benjamin Bell, & Robert Bell , Each their Equal part of all my property when a divifion of the same takes place, Either, at the Marriage

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or at the Death of my Wife Mary, Bell, when then I allow my land to be sold at publick sale, and such of my sons, as may be arrived to age to have his Equal part thereof, and Each of my other sons, who may not yet be of age, for his part of the Money to be put to intereft, & paid to them as they arrive to age for demanding the same, Likewise I allow all my stock to be sold when my Lands, are, & the Money arising therefrom to be divided accordingly, I do hereby appoint Moses Gordon, Esq^r Executor, to this my last will & testament, difanulling all other wills, heretofore made, & Ratifying & confirming this & none other to be my last will & testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 26th day of Dec^r 1803.

Sign,d seal,d,published pronounced W. Ravor Bell (SEAL)

& declared by the said W^m Ravor Bell as his last will & testament, in the prefence of us, who in his prefence, & in the prefence of Each other, have hereunto subscribed our names

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