

In the name of God amen I am Sims of the County of Union
the State of So. Carolina Being weak in body but of perfect
sence & memory & calling to mind the uncertainty of this
transitory life & Knowing that it is appointed for all men once
to die do make & ordain this last Will & Testament in manner of
form following.

Imprimis, I give my Soul to God who gave it hoping
through the death & merits of my blessed Saviour Jesus Christ
to be made partaker of the never fading Joys of Immortality at
the day of Resurrection: and as for what Temporal Estate it hath
pleased God to bestow on me I give & bequeath the same in manner
& form following.

Item. I give & bequeath unto William Gilliam and Nancey
his wife all the Negroes & other Estate formerly delivered & now
in their possession & to their Heirs forever.

Item I give & bequeath unto Peter Brasellmann and Drusilla
his wife all the Negroes & other Estate formerly delivered now
in their possession & to their Heirs forever.

Item I give & bequeath to my Daughter Anne G. Sims one
negro woman Tabl & her five children namely Milley, Fanney, Dibey
Robin & Jeter together with their future Increase & to her Heirs
forever. and in case my said Daughter Should die without lawful
issue then the said Negroes & their Increase to be equally divided
among my five children viz. Drusilla Brasellmann, Matthew, John
Nathan & Reuben Sims or the Survivors of them & their Heirs
forever.

Item my Will I desire is that all the residue is that all
the residue of my Estate of what nature soever shall remain in pos-
session of my Wife Elizabeth under the direction of my
Executors until my Just debts are fully paid & ~~and~~ ^{and} my wife may have

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Item, I give & bequeath unto William Gilliam and Nancey his Wife all the Negroes & other Estate formerly delivered & now in their possession & is their Heirs forever.

Item I give & bequeath unto Peter Brasellmann and Drusilla his Wife all the Negroes & other Estate formerly delivered now in their possession & to their Heirs forever.

Item I give & bequeath to my Daughter Anne G. Sims one negro woman Tabl & her five children namely Milley, Fanney, Dibey Robin & Jeter together with their future Increase & to her Heirs forever. and in case my said Daughter Should die without lawful issue then the said Negroes & their Increase to be equally divided among my five children viz. Drusilla Brasellmann, Matthew, John Nathan & Reuben Sims or the Survivors of them & their Heirs forever.

Item my Will I desire is that all the residue is that all the residue of my Estate of what nature soever shall remain in possession of my Wife Elizabeth under the direction of my Executors until my Just Debts are fully paid & during her Widowhood, to be delivered as a Scan to either of my five Sons as they may need agreeable to the opinion of my Executors not to be removed beyond the limits of this Plate, ever debaring the delivery of a Slave to my Son James and after the Death or Intermarriages of my said Wife all such Estate together with the Increase arising thereon to be collected together & appraised.

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by three Justices of the peace for this County with the assistance
of my said Executors which I give to be equally divided between
my four Sons Mathew, John, Nathan & Reuben Sims, they paying
to my Son James the one fifth part of the appraisement of the
Slaves, & one fifth part of the residue of such Estate to be
delivered him and to their Heirs forever, and if either of my
said Sons should die without Heir lawfully begotten then
their part so dieing or the value thereof to be equally divided
between my two Daughters Drusilla Brasellmann & Anne Glenn Sims &
the Survivors of my said Sons. And lastly, I nominate constitute
& appoint my said Wife Elizabeth Executrix & my friends Peter
Braselmann & John Sanders Executors of this my last Will & Testa-
ment, hereby revoking & making void all other Will/ or Wills----
heretofore by me made. In Testimony whereof I have ---Hereunto
set my Hand & Seal this Twentyeth day of November one Thousand
Seven hundred & ninety Four---

Signed Sealed & Declared

In presence of)

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James X Sims
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John Thenworthy

Cornelius Willson

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