

WILL OF

GAVEN WITHERSPOON

State of South Carolina }

Williamsburgh District }

In the name of God, Amen-

The Thirtieth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand ~~Eight~~⁹ hundred and Sixteen- I Gaven Witherspoon of Williamsburgh District, in the State aforesaid, being weak of body but of perfect mind, memory, & understanding, yet calling to mind the mortality of my ^B body, & knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die, do make & ordain this to be my last Will & Testament--Principally & first of all I recommend my ^S soul into the hands of God who gave it, not doubting but I shall receive the same again at the general Resurrection, by the mighty power of God-- My body I recommend to the Earth, to be buried in a decent christian manner, at the discretion of my Executors, and as touching such Worlaly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me with in this life I demise & bequeath in the maner & form following I order all my ^Just debts & funeral charges to be paid out of my Estate-- Item-- I will & bequeath unto the children of my Daughter Jennet, & to the Children of my Son Robert Pinkney & to my Son Samuel & to my Daughter Elizabeth one dollar each, which with the Land, Negroes & other property I gave them at marriage I deem their full share of my Estate both real & personal-- I will & bequeath to my Son Thomas Reece, all that plantation or Tract of Land containing Four hundred acres originally gr^aved to John Robertson situate on each side of thorn^Stree Swamp & adjoins the tract on which I lise, also too Lots of land of half an ^L acre each in the Town of Williamsburgh--Item--I will & be-

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queath to my Son John Milton, my dwelling house & out house
the whole of the remainder of my Land. Also a half acre
Lot in the Town of Williamsburgh--Item-- I ^Will & bequeath
unto my three Children Thomas Reece, John Milton & Mary, the
residue & remainder of my Estate to be equally divided amongst
them at marriage or when they ^{respectfully} arrive at the age of twenty one
years, Should either of my three children last mentioned
die before marriage or before the age of Twenty one years,

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his, her, or their part to revert to, be vested in, I Equally
divided between my three Children last mentioned & provided
for in this last clause of my Will--Item--Lastly--I nominate
& appoint my Son Thomas Reece & my Son John Milton (when of
age), Executors of this my Last Will & Testament & also the
Guardian of my Children, & I do hereby disanull & make void
all former Wills, Testaments & Legacies & bequeaths what-
soever confirming this to be my last Will & Testament, in
testimony whereof I have hereunto Set my hand & Seal the day
& year above written--

Signed, ^lPealed, Published, and Declared in the presence of

Wm. Frierson

Joseph Witherspoon

James B. Witherspoon Gaven Witherspoon L.S.

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David McClary Ordinary Williamsburgh District

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