

WILL OF

GEORGE McCONNELL

In the name of God Amen. I George McConnell Sen<sup>r</sup> of the State of South Carolina and Williamsburgh District being Aged and at this time diseased and low in flesh, Yet of sound mind, memory, and understanding, and knowing the uncertainty of life and the certainty of death, I have thought proper to make and constitute this Instrument to be my last Will and Testament hoping and trusting that after my death my body shall be raised at the resurrection of the just and my soul and body be well prepared for the enjoyment of God forever through the merits of Jesus Christ Imprimis, It is my Will and desire that all my lawfull debts be paid out of my Estate.

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Item I Will and bequeath unto my Grand Daughter Jane M Hewette

All my Estate Real and personal to be hers and her lawful Issue forever, declaring it also my Will that the future increase and Issue of my negroes is included, but if my Grand Daughter Jane M Hewett should contrary to inclination either marry Elam Cheeseborough Burdick or Eliphalet Hubbard Burdick or Fredrick Allen Burdick, then and in that case my Grand Daughter shall not inherit any of my property, but my Estate to be sold and divided as hereafter directed, but should my Grand Daughter above named Die not leaving living Issue, then and in that case it is my Will that all my personal Estate return

to my Estate as hereafter directed ( except as hereafter excepted )

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above named <sup>Grand Daughter</sup> Die not leaving living Issue, then and in  
that case it is my Will that all my personal EState return  
to my sister Rachel McConnell ( except as hereafter excepted )  
if she should be alive at that time.

Item If my Grand Daughter Jane M Hewett should Die not leaving  
Issue then it is my Will and desire that my negro woman named  
Hetta and her future Issue (if any) shall be the property of  
my Nephew George McConnell son of James McConnell

Item It is my Will and desire after the death of my sister  
Rachel McConnell that all my EState that my sister Rachel  
McConnell did possess at that time should she possess any in

consequence of my Grand Daughter above named bying before her  
and leaving no issue, or if that issue should be by either of  
the three men above named viz. Elam Cheeseborough Burdick or  
Elipalet Hubbard Burdick or Fredrick Allen Burdick then the  
said property shall be equally divided between my three Brother  
Children viz James, Thomas, and Robert designing Eleanor Gottea  
to draw her Mothers part

Item It is my will and desire that my sister Rachel above  
named shall live on my plantation if she choose her lifetime  
and be allowed a comfortable support from my Estate while she  
lives on the plantation, I also Will and bequeath unto my  
above named sister Rachel McConnell a negro girl name Anna  
to be at her disposal during her lifetime, and her death the  
said girl Anna and her issue if any shall return into my Estate  
and be disposed of as in this Instrument directed

Item It is my Will and desire that my two old negroes named  
Jack and Flora shall be permitted to live on my plantation  
and that they be plentifully fed and comfortably cloathed dur-  
ing their lives at the expence of my Estate- Item And lastly I  
do Nominate, Constitute and appoint my Nephew George McConnell  
son of James McConnell, my friend Wm Wilson Executors and my  
sister Rachal McConnell Executrix of this my last Will and Test  
ament and I do hereby disannul and make void all former Wills  
and Testaments, and do hereby declare this Instrument and this  
only to be my last will and Testament in witness whereof I have  
hereunto set my hand and seal this sixth day of August in the  
year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixteen and in

the forty first of American Independency- The word make in the  
sixteenth and the word Burdick in the twenty third and the words  
Grand Daughter in the twenty sixth and the word either in the  
thirty eighth lines in this instrument were interlined before  
signing.

Signed Sealed and delivered  
in the presence of us who are ) George McConnell ( SEAL)  
Witnesses to this Instrument  
Ream T Mills  
John Matthews Sen  
John Lane