

WILL OF
WILLIAM FERDON.

State of South Carolina

Williamsburg District

In the name of God Amen, I William Ferdon (planter) of the State and District aforesaid, considering the uncertainty of this mortal life and being of sound and perfect memory and mind do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following--First I hereby direct that all my lawful debts be paid as early as practicable-----

Item---I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Sarah two negroes viz. My man John and woman Bella I loan unto her my boy Israel during her life, after her death he is to return back to be divided among my children share and share alike; I also give unto my wife my gig and serrel horse called Ball also one third of my Land where I now reside also the third of my house hold and Kitchen furniture and one third of my cattle sheep and goats---

Item----I give and bequeath unto my elder son John my double barreled gun

Item---I give and bequeath unto my Children all the residue and remainder of my property real personal and perishable to be equally divided among them except my plantation situated on the south side of Black river and in Georgetown District-----

Item--I do not wish my property divided until my son William Benjamin arrives at the age of twenty one years. I wish four of my negroes hired out for the support of my family and the educating of my Children the ballance to be Kept at home to make provisions for my family should the money from the hire of the negroes and other sources of the Estate not be sufficient to support my family it is my wish and directions that my executor

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ted out until my youngest child becomes twenty one years old.

~~then they are to do what they wish with it, It is my wish that my~~
children receive a ~~plain~~ plain english education

I hereby appoint my friend John F. Neamith Executor & my beloved wife Sarah my Executrix of this my last will and testament, hereby revoking all former wills made by me, In witness whereof I have hereunto affixed my hand and seal this sixteenth day of Mach A. D. 1850

William Ferdon (LS.)

Sined sealed and declared by the above named (William Ferdon) to be his last will and testament in presence of us who have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses }
in presence of the testator & of each other }

William King

J. J. Hamlin

Henry Cumbie

Recorded in Will Book "D" page 93. *

Recorded on the 5th day of July, 1852, by J. P. McElveen,
Ordinary of Williamsburgh District.

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