

The last Will & Testament of Gordon Moore of York District State of South Carolina I Gordon Moore of York District & State of South Carolina do make ordain & Establish this writing to be my last will & Testament hereby revoking all others by me made & being of sound disposing Mind & Memory at the time of Executing the same do declare my will as follows) To wit It is my will & desire that all my just debts & funeral Expences be paid by my Executors hereafter named out of the money now on hand notes & book Accounts & the following Tracts of Land (To wit) The Land lying & being in Union District & State aforesaid known by the names of Thomas Blacks plantation John Parker plantation & the Joseph Howell plantation as also the following tracts of Land in York District & State aforesaid One Tract of Land that I bought from John Darwin Senr. One Small Tract including the Spring That Joseph Logan Makes use of That I bought from Amos Davis & if my Son John Gordon Moore will make a title from him to the Tract of Land that Joseph Logan now lives on to my Estate & let the Same be sold with the foregoing Tracts which I think will promote The sale of the adjoining Tracts Then my Executors Shall be bound to pay unto him the sum of One Hundred dollars if he agrees to the same in his own right Then I wish my Executors to lay off the adjoining Lands in Small tracts to suit purchasers as my Executors as my Executors may think Best also my shares also my shares in the Howell plantation also a part of a tract that I Bought from James Plexco Comencing one Chain on the North side on the Thompson line where it crosses the said Plexco Spring Branch including the spring thence a straight line to the Howells Ferry line to the top point of the Stoney Hill Thence with Rhoda Smiths line

Mabel Smith line and said Thompsons line to the begining And if the foregoing lands Monies Notes & Accounts & profits arising from my plantation is insufficient to settle my debts my Executors may sell the following Lands Beginning at Doctor Wrights North West Pine Corner from thence a straight line to Payton B Darwins North East Dead Pine Corner Thence with Payton B Darwins line & the said Doctor Wright lines to the first Mentioned Pine Corner on Eigher tract that I Bought from Samuel Barkley the two last tracts not sold untill it is ascertained that they others are not sufficient all they aforesaid Lands to be sold on a credit of one & two Years with lawfull interest from from Said sales & secured by Mortgage for the payment of the same & my Executors to Execute titles to the Same as if I were personally present myself also all my surplus property that can be spared from the use of my family & plantation I wish to be sold on a credit of Twelve Months it is my desire that they will proceeds of the present Crop & the crops hereafter made after all necessary Expences of family & plantation are first paid go to the payment of my just debts if necessary if not the Same to be put at interest and that my Executors have the power to rent any of my Lands if they it expedient & also to hire out my negroes yearly to the Carpenters trade & any other of the Negroe men if they think it would be more profitable than to work on a farm except my negro man Frank and all they hands that is now on the river plantation to remain there except said Frank & wish the Bottom Lands to be cleared up from the upper end of the field to the Mouth of the Goyen Moore Creek & put in Cultivation for the Support of my family and the payments of my debts my Negroe Frank and his son Jerry & the negroes that is now on the plantation where my family now lives to remain there to work said plantation under the drection of my son John G Moore & for his Services in carrying on the same he shall receive

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the age of Twenty one Years that all my property both real and

personal except Specified Legacies hereafter mentioned shall be equally divided by lot amongst they then Surviving Heirs or representatives And it is my desire that my Negroes be valued & put in lots & drawed for by the Heirs so that the land not bequeathed to be sold or taken by any of the heirs at valuation & that my negroe Frank have his choice with any of the heirs to make choice to live with without being sold or divided

I Bequeathe unto my son William Thompson Moore all that I have heretofore given him of my Estate which will be found charged to him on my Books also one note of hand due from him to me also One Tract of Land That I purchased from Jacob B. Moore in Union District on Broad River adjoining the lands of John Moore & Susan Parker also one good Bed sted but not to have possession of said Lands untill my youngest Child shall arrive at the age of Twenty one Years

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Daniel Smiths Post Oak Corner with his lines the aforesaid Lands not to go into the possession of The Said John G Moore & Jacob A Moore untill my youngest Child shall arrive the age of Twenty one years then to be equally divided between in Quantity & Quality to Jacob A Moore I give one good Bed Bedsted & furniture I give & bequeath unto my Daughter Minerva Moore when she arrives at the age of eighteen years old one Negroe Girl between the ages of eight & twelve one good Bureau one good Bed Bedsted & furniture For the Same

I give & bequeath unto my Daughter Temandra when she arrives at the age of Eighteen years one Negroe Girl between the age of eight & twelve years one good Bureau one good Bed & Bedstead & furniture for the same

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Moore Either specifically or by Division to them & the Natural Heirs of their body and my will is that if either of my sons or Daughters should die leaving no natural heirs of their body their share or shares shall return to My estate & be equally divided among the surviving Heirs or their representatives It is further my will & desire that my aged Mother remain where she now is and that particular care & attention be paid by my Executors to her ease & comfort & that she be decently supported during her life out of my estate & charge the same to my Mother and I do further give to my sons Jao G Moore & Jacob A Moore fifty acres of Land for which I have Daniel Smiths Bond to make me a title to the same lying between two Branches including my Negroe Quarter but to not go into possession of the same untill my youngest child shall arrive at the age of twenty one years And lastly I do hereby Nominate and appoint my three sons William Thompson Moore John Gordon Moore & Jacob Alexander Moore Executors of this my last will and Testament and desire is that William Thompson Moore be acting Executor of this my last will & Testament and my sons John G Moore & Jacob A. Moore counsel & advise with him in all cases that may promote the interest of the estate & that my acting Executor make a regular return once in every year of all my estate & the number of deaths & births of all my slaves if any to be ordinary of said district in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my Seal this ninth day of November in the Year of our Lord Anno Dimoni one thousand eight hundred & thirty nine

Signed Sealed & Acknowledged)
in the presence of us

James S hagan

Charles T. Murphey M. D.

Gordon Moore (L.S.)

James B Meek

Wm B Meek