

In the name of God Amen I Thomas Sherer of the District of York and State of South Carolina being weak of body but of sound and disposing mind memory & understanding thanks be to God for the same and calling to mind the uncertainty of life do make and ordain this my last will and Testament in manner & form following (Viz) To my beloved wife Ann Sherer I bequeath my entire household and kitchen furniture during her natural life and at her death the same to be sold and the proceeds to be equally divided between my sons and daughters excepting Abigail Carrinder: And to my said wife I will and bequeath my negroes Tom, Simon, Sephen Eliza Rachel Samuel and Rachel, and her three children Sarah, Margaret & John during her natural life and at her death I will that Tom be permitted to enjoy the fruit of his own labor for the balance of his laboring days under the superintendence and Guardianship of my executors herein after named should Tom become unable to support himself by his labor I charge his support upon my three sons William, Richard & Thomas Sherer allowing he Tom to live with which ever of them he may prefer. And To my son William Sherer I bequeath the above named boy Samuel at the decease of my wife And to my son Richard Sherer I bequeath my negro man Simon at the death of my wife and to my son Thomas Sherer I bequeath my negro man Stephen at the death of my wife. And to my son William I bequeath my negroe girl Margaret and my negro boy John and I charge my said son William that upon the receipt of the said negroes Margaret & John that he pay over or secure the payment of one hundred dollars to my son Richard in order that their portions be as equal as possible. And to my son Richard I give my negroe Girl Sarah. And to my son Thomas I give my negro woman Rachel (or. Eighty) the whole of these be-

quests to take effect after & not previous to the decease of my
said wife. And I further Will that at the decease of my said
wife my two negro women Rachel & Eliza be sold and the proceeds
of their sale so soon as it can be available be equally divided
between my daughters Margaret Miller, Sarah Smith, Eliza Car-
rinder & Lydia Pratt share & share alike. I Will that my
wagon & Harness my Farming Utensils & my stock horses & cattle
remain on the plantation for the use of my family during the life-
time of my wife. My Black smith tools with all my other mekani-
cal tools I wish to remain upon the plantation where I now reside,
under the care of my son Thomas for his and my other two sons
William & Richard Mutual benifit. And to my daughter Abigail Car-
rinder I bequeath The sum of twenty dollars to be paid out of my
undeviseid estate and after that sum is paid I will that the bal-
ance after my debts be first paid be equally divided among all
my children. And lastly I do nominate Constitute my Three sons
William, Richard, And Thomas Sherer executors of this my last will
and testament hereby revoking disannuling and making void all
other wills heretofore by me made and do declare this to be my
last Will and testament. March 2nd A D 1839 (Note the word be
between the lines 7 & 8 and the Names Eliza, Rachel, Samuel and
between the Ninth & tenth lines from top were interlined before
the testator signed)

Signed published & declared by Thomas Sherer as & for his last
Will and testament the second day of March in the year one thou-
sand eight hundred & thirty Nine in presence of us who subscribed
our names as witnesses thereto being thereunto called by him &
in his presence & the the presence of each Other-----

W Jamieson

James T. Galloway

Benj. F. Love

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Thomas X Sherer (Seal)

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