

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

State of South Carolina }
York District }

In the name of God Amen. I William M. Bigger being of sound and disposing mind and memory do make ordain and publish ~~and my~~ last will and testament. First my will is that my body be decently buried and my just debts all paid.

Item I will and bequeath to my beloved wife Mary Bigger my negro girl Ann and boy Allison for and during her natural life, and allow her the possession of my dwelling house & her support off my plantation during her widowhood, I also will and bequeath to her and her heirs forever one bed and furniture, my chest of drawers, two milch cows, and her choice of my horses and a saddle and bridle.

Item I will and bequeath that all my property remain on my plantation until my youngest child arrives to the age of twenty one years (except such as heretofore bequeathed to my wife) for the support maintainance and education of my children and then the personal property not heretofore bequeathed to be equally divided between my wife should she remain unmarried until that time and my three children share and share alike but should my wife marry before that time she is to have no part thereof I also will and bequeath that the two negroes herein bequeathed to my wife during her natural life at her death be equally divided between my children but it is my express will and bequest that the legal title to all the property herein allowed willed or bequeathed to my two daughters do not vest in them but in my executors to and for the use and benefit of my said daughters during their natural lives and at their deaths to their children respectively, living at that time forever

Item I will and bequeath to my son James Lysander Bigger all my real estate not herein otherwise disposed of to him and his heirs forever.

Item - I hereby nominate constitute and appoint my beloved wife executrix and Doct. David Watson executor of this my last will and testament and hereby authorize and empower them should they at any time deem it advantageous to sell and dispose of any of my personal estate and vest the money in other property or put it out to interest, the profits of it to be applied to the support and education of my children until the youngest child arrives to twenty one years and then to be divided as heretofore directed. In testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and affixed my seal this fourteenth day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty nine.

Signed & sealed by testator in
presence of us & witnessed by us
in his presence and the presence
of each other

Eugene Hill

Archibald Barron

Wm. M. Bigger (LS)

J. M. Ross

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