

WILLIAM PETTUS

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

In the name of God Amen I William Pettus of York District  
& State aforesaid Farmer do make my last will & Testament  
in the following manner (Viz) I loan to my beloved wife  
during her natural life or widowhood one fourth part of  
all my land to be laid off to include the Mansion house----  
I loan to beloved wife during her natural life or widow-  
hood the following Negroes Jack, Arthur, Jones, Frank, Betty,  
Charlotte, Aggy, & Priscilla together with all my Household  
& Kitchen Furniture with all my implements of husbandry,  
& half my live stock of every description, I give unto my  
son Sam'l A Pettus all that tract of Land left him by his  
grandfather, for which I after Obtained a lease in my own  
name & since which have had run off to him by Jno Faries After  
the death or intermarriage of my wife, it is my desire that  
my Library be equally divided between my five sons (vis)  
Sam'l K. George, Stephen B. William W. & Thos N-----  
I give & bequeath to my son George one fourth part of  
all my land exclusive of that devised to my son Sam'l K.  
according to qualety, including the improvement whereon  
Allen Felts at present lives. I give & bequeath to my son  
George the following Negroes (vis) Willis, Millie, & her child  
(George). & My negro boy call'd Joe--- It is my will & de-  
sire that all my Negroes not herein before disposed of re-  
main in the possession of my wife for the maintinance &  
Education of my Six younger Children (vis) Rebecca V. Pettus,  
Stephen B. Pettus Maria Pettus, William W. Pettus & Thos N.  
Pettus & that the said Negroes with their increase be divided  
equally between them as they severally arive of age or marry----  
It is my will & desire, that all the remainder of my land

not herein before particularly disposed of be divided equally according to quality between my two sons Stephen Bullock & William Wadkins. It is my will & desire that at the death of my wife or her intermarriage, the Land devised or loaned to her, belong to my youngest Son Thomas Newton. Provided my wife should intermarry, I give & bequeath to her forever the Negro woman Betty & the Negro boy Frank before named, a good horse & saddle a good Bed & furniture & her trunk. In case my wife should intermarry, it is my will & desire that all the rest of my property loaned to her (except the Negroes & Library) together with all that part not herein before disposed of, be sold & the money arising therefrom be equally divided between my Six Children (vis) George, Rebecca W. Stephen B. Maria, William W. & Thomas Newton. It is my will & desire, that in case my said wife should intermarry, the Negroes loaned to her (except those since devised for her) with all their increase be equally divided between my Six Children George Rebecca W. Stephen B. Maria, William W. & Thos. Newton. I do hereby appoint and constitute John Springs jr. & Jno. Kindrick my Exors. & Mary Pettus my Executrix of this my last will & testament hereby revoking all former Wills testaments or Codicils, In witness Whereof I have hereunto Set my hand & affix'd my Seal this Eighteenth day of July 1817.

Signed Sealed & Published  
in presence of

J Booker

Will: Pettus (LS)

Stev Fox

Ben W Thompson

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