

WILL OF

HUGH PERRY

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN. I Hugh Perry of Fairfield District South Carolina, planter, being far advanced in years, and labouring under a threatening bodily indisposition, and anticipating the near approach of death, the common lot of man, but of Sound and disposing mind and memory make this my last Will & Testament. First my Soul I commit into the hands of the Almighty, praying that he may receive it, and make it a Sharer of his felicity.

And as to the earthly Estate which God hath, graciously given me, I wish it disposed of in the following manner viz. After all lawful demands against my Estate shall have been paid, I will and bequeathe to the four children of my dec^d Son Joseph Perry *ie.* to John Fletcher, Joseph Holmes; Elizabeth Frances, and Mary Ann Perry, four hundred dollars, to be equally divided among them, and this bequest I wish my Executors to retain in their hands, and not to give it into the hands of any person claiming to be, or who may actually be, the Guardian of Said Children: And my Executors hereinafter to be named will lend it at interest, until my Said Grand children Shall arrive at the age of (21) Twenty / ^{one} years: And out of the money arising from the interest of said four hundred dollars, it is my Will, and I do direct, that my grand daughter Mary Ann Perry receive fifty dollars more than either of the other named children of my said Son Joseph Perry dec^d: The above legacies, I wish paid out of the money I have now out at interest.

3^d In the Third place it is my will that my negro man Jerry, be sold and the money arising from his Sale to be equally divid among my four following children viz James Perry, Hugh Perry, Mary Gladney, & Jane Hodge. But should said negro man Jerry die before his Sale ~~takes~~ place, in that case my will is, that one hundred dollars be given to each of said last named children: Said legacies to be paid in two years after my decease. In the fourth place To my daughter Lettice Ellenor Perry, I bequeath all my land, or real Estate; my two negroes Lucy and Shadrick: likewise, ^I bequeath to her, my said daughter Lettice Ellenor, all my other remaining property, of every description

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viz corn, fodder, house hold and kitchen furniture - Cottan - and Stock of every description; Waggon and gear; books &c to be her's and the heirs of her body forever And I do hereby so rest the right ----- of the above bequeathed, real and personal property, in my said daughter Lettice Ellenor, that if she should marry subsequently to my death it, Said property shall not be liable to pay the debts of the man to whom She may be married. Nor Shall he, or any other person, under any pretext whatever, have the power or privilege to sell said bequeathed property, or transfer the right thereof to any other person. The above bequests of real and personal Estate to my said daughter Lettice Ellenor are made on the following condition viz If she at any time after my death should marry, then and in that case my Will is, that one hundred Acres of the above bequeathed real Estate be Sold off that part of my Tract which is situate on the Est side of Chapman's Creek to the highest bidder and one third of the proceeds of the Sale thereof be applied to the use benefit and support of my daughter Margaret The remaining two thirds to be equally divided among my said four children above named *ie.* James Perry Hugh Perry, Mary Gladney & Jane Hodge. I further will and direct that during the contunance of my daughter Lettice Ellenor in an unmarried state a provision for the comfortable maintenance and support of my daughter Margaret Perry, must be taken from the property herein willed to my said daughter Lettice Ellenor, And I hereby appoint my Exrs^s hereinafter to be named the guardians of my said daughter Margaret and I earnestly request them to condescend to act for her as such, and to secure to her the full benefit of the above provisions that she may not suffer any want as to the necessary comforts of life.

In the last place, to each of the children of my Son William Perry dec^d I bequeath Two dollars and fifty cents. It is my will that my family burying ground be reserved to be used as such by my family and family connexions and that the right thereto be never transferred to any other family or families

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exclusively. And I do hereby constitute and appoint my trusty friends William Holmes & Daniel B Kirkland the whole and Sole executors of this my last will and Testament revoking and setting aside, all former Ones. In testimony whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and caused my Seal to be affixed this 21 s day of June in the year of our Lord one Thousand Eight hundred and forty and in the Sixty fourth year American independance

Signed Sealed published and declared to be the last Will and Testament of the Testator in his presence and in the presence of.

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