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John Taylor

State of South Carolina

By His Excellency

John Taylor

Governor and Commander in Chief in and over the State aforesaid

To all to whom these presents shall come I know ye that W. M. Hudson whose seal and signature appear to the Instrument of writing hereto annexed is Ordinary in and for the District of Beaufort, commissioned by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the State.

Therefore all due faith, credit, and authority is and ought to be had and given to his proceedings as certified as such. The Testimony whereof I have herewith set my hand and seal to be affixed the seal of this State, in the City of Charleston the Twenty second day of March in the Year of Our Lords One thousand Eight hundred and twenty Seven and in the Fifty first year of the Independence of the United States of America.

By the Governor

W. M. Hudson Secretary of State

In the name of God, Amen, I William Pope of St. Luke's Parish of South Carolina, being sick and weak in body, but of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding, being he look for the same, do make and declare this my last Will and Testament, in manner and form following, that is to say. First I give to my beloved Wife Sarah the whole of my stocks of every description, all my Households and Fildings Furniture, and Eight Oar'd Boat called the Green Boat, a four wheel'd Carriage, and with the exception of one family of negroes called by Shields's family, consisting of ten in number to be hereafter disposed of, the one ninth part of my negro property to her own proper use and behoof forever, also the free use of my River May Plantation, to clear, cultivate, or plant free from impracticability of work during her widowhood, all which is intended and shall be considered as in lieu of dower. To my daughter Catharine Adams I give and devise one negro boy named Channibal, to her and her heirs forever. To my daughter Martha I give and devise one mulatto girl named Mary to her and her heirs forever. In the division of my negro property I desire that it shall be divided first into nine equal lots agreeable to valuation (leaving out those heretofore excepted, and the two girls Channibal and Mary that my wife Sarah shall have allotted to her by draft or otherwise as may be most expedient, one ninth to my daughter Catharine Adams, and then the three ninth parts, the remaining five ninth parts to be then put into equal lots to be divided between my sons James, George, Franklin, Perry, Richard, Richardson, and Joseph Adams.

It is however to be understood that the two parts conveyed and shew me to be considered as a joint of the three rights, to be allotted to my daughters, valuation of the separate and distinct lots being taken into view, and that the three rights to them allotted shall not be separated or divided until one or the other of them shall marry or arrive to maturity or lawful age. The three parts allotted to my three youngest sons as already named I also devised shall be kept together for their joint benefit until such time as they may severally or individually arrive to maturity age or marry. To my son Phillip's family consisting of Mrs. Phillip, Rose, Monday, Tom, Amy, Elizabeth, Priscilla, Abby, Anne & Michael, I give the use of to my wife during her widowhood, but before an intermarriage to be equally divided together with their increase between my two sons William and John C, share and share alike to them and their heirs for ever. With regard to my real Estate, to my sons George & James I devise give and grant to them my River May Plantation whereon I now reside to be equally divided between them, as they may agree, after arriving to the age of maturity, but should they differ or disagree the division to be made by such disinterested freeholders as my executors may think proper to nominate, giving to the one who may not have a situation on the river fifteen acres adjoining to the Estate of Deft. Thomas Dupont, sitting or bounding on the river, with the reservation however before mentioned in favour of their mother. To my son Franklin Perry I give grant and devise my tract of Land on S. Helder Island, purchased at a sale of the late William Scott deceased on said Island, also my tract of Land on Helder Head Island known as number four [4]. To my son Richard Richardson I give grant and devise my tract of land on Helder Head that I purchased of Mr. Richard Island known by the name of Brass Lane. To my son Joseph Adams I give grant, devise my Island known by the name of Jenkins' Island.

The whole of my detached piece barren tracts situated on Helder Head, shall be divided in such manner as to suit the convenience of my sons Franklin Perry, Richard Richardson, and Joseph Adams, share and share alike not as to quantity, but quality and convenience.

My 1<sup>st</sup> bluff or piece land tract situated on the river May whereon Mrs Lewis now resides I give grant and devise to my sons George and James to be equally divided between them reserving however to Mrs Lewis a life estate or a right of occupancy, together with the buildings, fine woods, timber, and ground for herding, that she may if remaining in her present situation require. My tract of Land on Helder Head known by the name of Springfield that I purchased of John Moore Esquire I give grant and devise to my son William on certain conditions and provisos hereinafter to be expressed, also two hundred acres that shall be laid out of that body already directed to be divided between three youngest sons. To my son John C. I give grant and devise that tract of Land on Helder Head that I purchased of Charles Thoyt known by the name of Walnut Hill on certain conditions & provisos to be hereinafter expressed. These three tracts of Land namely Springfield, two hundred acres, piece land and Walnut Hill herein named and devised to my sons William and John C. that they shall inone

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... deathly after my deceased acknowledge by a proper instrument of writing, legal-  
-only and lawfully executed, that they will receive the same in consideration of full  
-satisfactorily for whatever right by inheritance, that they may have to that  
-plantation situated on the Cuckoo known by the name Republican Hall  
-which I got by their mother and sold to Mr Henry Morris, and on failure  
-or refusal on their parts to execute such deed or instrument of writing  
-my Will and desire is that the said three tracts shall return to my Estate  
-to be equally divided between the Children of my present Wife to whom she  
-and share alike to them or the survivors of them that may die, in their minority  
14 My Will further is that no division shall take place until all my  
15 just and lawful debts and paid, I also my desire, that my Wife Sarah  
-shall have the Exclusive Guardianship, management, and direction of our  
-three youngest sons during their minority. As I have off to my dearest  
-Daughter the late Mr Sarah Logan in her life time a portion or part of my  
-estate about equal to that which my younger daughters will inherit - I have  
-not thought proper to bequeath any thing to my grand Children. Her three daughters  
-Should either of my Children die under age without leaving lawful issue  
-my Will is that their part or portion shall be divided the survivor or survivors  
-by my present Wife & share alike. Lastly I do nominate, constitute and  
-appoint my four sons, William, John E, George, & Francis Pope my Executors  
-to this my last Will and Testament proving and making null & void  
-all & every other Will or Wills, at any time hereafter by me made.  
-And I do declare this to be my last Will and Testament. In Witness  
-I the said William Pope have hereunto set my hand and seal, this Eighth  
-month of March in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred  
-and twenty three and in the forty seventh year of the Independence Sovereignty  
-of the United States of America

William Pope

Signed, sealed, delivered and published  
by the above named William Pope as and for  
his last Will and Testament in the presence  
of us, who at his request and in his presence have  
subscribed our names as Witnesses thereto.

Benj. H. Scott, James Wells, Josiah Wells.

South Carolina }  
Charleston District } By W. M. Hutson Ordinary

Personally appeared before me Mr James Wells who being duly sworn deposes, that  
he was present and saw Mr Pope sign, seal, publish, proclaim and declare this  
Instrument to be and contain his last Will and Testament, that he the  
said William Pope was then of sound mind, memory and understanding  
to the best of this deponents understanding belief, and that he the said James  
did sign his name as a Witness thereto, at the request of the Testator  
and

Will of William Pope

and in his presence

James Mills.

Shewn to before me this 15<sup>th</sup> December 1823.

W. M. Hutson

Ordinary P. District

Recorded

South Carolina

Charleston District

I do hereby certify to all whom it may concern

that the within is a true & perfect copy of the last Will and Testament of William Pope Senr deceased taken from the Original Records in my Office in Charleston District. I do further certify that there is neither check or seal attached to this Office, Shewn under my hand this 17<sup>th</sup> day March Anno Domini Eighteen Hundred Twenty seven & fifty first of American Independence

W. M. Hutson

Ordinary P. District

Recorded this 9<sup>th</sup> July 1827

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Eleanor K. Strain