

JOHN SIMONTON SE<sup>nr</sup>

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN

I John Simonton Se<sup>nr</sup> of the waters of Jacksons Creek, in the District of Fairfield and State of South Carolina; being frail and weak of body, but of Sound and disposing mind and memory, and calling to mind the uncertainty of life and desirous to dispose of all such worldly estate as it hath pleased God to blefs me with, do make and ordain, this my last will and Testament in manner and form following vis In the first place, I give and bequeath my Soul to God who gave it, And my body to the earth, to be buried in a decent & christian manner at The discretion of my Executor

2<sup>nd</sup> I allow all my Just debts paid, and for which, and defraying my funeral expences, will hereafter be allowed - 3<sup>rd</sup> I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Sarah Simonton all and Singular the estate real and personal she was pofsefsed of before our inter marriage, also Thirty Acres of land to be taken of the land I bought from James Weldon, to be run parallel with her line on the S E Side of the land bequeathed to her, my Negro man Ryal, four hundred dollars in cash, waggon and harnesfs, Three horses; choice of Them That is now on the plantation together with all the Stock cows & hogs, household and kitchen furniture (except as will hereafter be otherwise disposed of) to her and to her use and behoof and at her disposal forever, 4<sup>th</sup> I Give and bequeath to my Niece Letitia M Weldon who now lives with me, one Feather bed Mattrefs and furniture

5<sup>th</sup> I have already given my Son Charles S Simonton who is now dead eleven hundred dollars in cash in the year eighteen hundred and thirty five As A receipt will Show dated in that year, which I believed to be in full his part of my estate, I therefore now leave his heirs nothing except his / <sup>son</sup> John R Simonton and Daughter Margaret Simonton each I give and bequeath one hundred dollars - 6<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath to my other children viz Robert Simonton William Simonton, Sarah Wilson, John Simonton, Jennet Douglafs, Margaret Erice And Mary Erice an equal distributive Share to each of them, of all the residue and remainder of my estate, which consists only of the remainder

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
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of the plantation I bought from James Weldon (which Said plantation I allow my Executor to Sell, and the money thens arising, to be applied to the payment of money above devided and bequeathed ) And four Slaves Viz Lewis, Jack Hannah and Sarah, one horse and Gig and all bonds, notes or Accounts due me at my decease together with what money may be then on hand all of which equally and fairly distributed to my Children within named Viz Robert, William, Sarah, John, Jenmet, Margaret, And Mary. And Should my children not agree about the valuation of the four Slaves within named, It is my will Should it be consistant with law that my Executor Sell them at private Sale, as also the land and make title to it, all other parts or parcels of my said estate they may not Agree in retaining in any of their hands I allow my Executor to Sell at publick out cry, 7<sup>th</sup> It is my will that my Slaves, continue make, And. gather the crop now intended or pitched, the proceeds thence Arising after leaving Sufficient of the same, for the support of my said wife Sarah, her family, and Stock they insueing year, to go to the payment of my Just debts, And funeral expences, the balance of money arising out the crop of cotton to be divided that is to say one half to my wife Sarah the other half to be equally divided among my children as above stated 8<sup>th</sup> I give & bequeath to my Daughter Mary Erice Secotts Commentary on the bible one Small trunk and my Armed chair, And the balance of my books I allow my wife Sarah and my children to divide as they may think proper, And lastly I do hereby Constitute and appoint my son in law William Erice Executor of this my last will and testament. hereby disannulling and revoking all other and former wills by me heretofore made, And declaring this and no other to be and contain my last will and testament, In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this nineteenth day of February Anno Domini 1839 Signed Sealed published pronounced and delivered by the testator to be and contain his last Will and testament in the presence of us who in his presence & in the presence of each other have hereunto set our names as witnesses

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