

during the term of his nat: life without imp^t & no longer and at the decease of the said Jane Simmons and of her said Son Ebenezer Simmons I further give & devise the said mess^g House, Plantⁿ & lands where I now live & s^o. 156 acres & 44¹/₂ acres unto the heirs of the body of the said Eben^r Simmons lawfully begotten & surviving forever. But if there should not be such an heir so surviving or if such heir should die before his or her arrival at the age of 21 years & without leaving issue of his or her or any of their bodies lawfully begotten surviving & who shall attain the said age or leave issue of his or her body &c I further give & devise the said messuage House, Plantⁿ & &c unto my said daughter Jane Simmons' son (my grandson) Thomas Simmons for & during the term of his nat: life without &c and at the decease of the said Thomas Simmons as aforesaid I further give & devise said messuage & &c unto the heirs of the body of the said Thomas Simmons &c but for want &c I further give and devise said messuage & &c unto my s^d daughter Jane Simmons' son (my grandson) William Simmons for & his Nat: life without &c and after his decease &c and for want &c I further give & devise said messuage & &c unto my s^d daughter Jane Simmons three daughters (my granddaughters) namely Ann Simmons, Mary Simmons & Harriette Simmons equally to be shared and

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South Carolina. In the Name of God, Amen:
I John Stanyarne of Colleton County in the province of South Carolina, Planter, being (Blessed be God) of sound & disposing mind & memory & considering the uncertainty of this transitory life & the Certainty of Death Do make this my last will & testament &c. Principally I recommend my immortal Spirit into the hands of God my Creator hoping &c And my body at Death I commit to the Grave, to be buried in a decent Christian manner, at the discretion of my Ex^{ors} & Ex^{ors} hereinafter named.
And as to my worldly estate & all such lands tenements, goods & chattels as it hath pleased God to bestow upon me I will & dispose thereof as follows &c
First. That my debts & funeral expenses be duly paid &c
Item: I give & devise unto my loving daughter Edith Matthews for life without impeachment of waste the use of all those my four tracts of land situate on John's Island &c that is &c a tract of 505 acres B & B. on one side on land now or late of — Next & other parts on my own lands; another tract of 100 acres being in a separate plat whereon Hickory Hill House stands; another tract of about 149 acres w^{ch} I bought of Wm Spencer adjoining the afo^{sd} lands and another tract of about 250 acres w^{ch} I bought of Wm Sams & David Flext And all the Western tenement of the messuage or House & land thereto belonging situate in Charles Town, which I bought of Daniel Blake, Esq

and all the heredit^{ies} & Ance at the decease of her the
said Edith Mathews I give & devise said four
tracts of & unto her son William Mathews (my
grand son) for his nat: life without impeach^{mt} of waste
and at the decease of the survivor of them said Edith
Mathews & Wm Mathews I further give & devise
4 tracts of Land & with the heredit^{ies} unto the heirs of the
body of the said Wm Mathews which shall sur-
vive him But if no such heir & or so surviving shall
die before attaining 21 years without issue Then
I give said 4 tracts & unto my said daughter Edith
Mathews' son Thomas Mathews for his nat: life
without & and at his decease to the heirs of his body
& But if no such heir & I further give & devise sd
4 tracts & unto my said daughter Edith Mathews
four daughters, namely, Susanna, Elizabeth,
Mary and Ann Mathews equally to be shared & di-
vided between them by the Exec^s & Ad^r of this my will
for the nat: lives of them my said daughter Edith
Mathews' four grand(?) daughters Susanna, Eliza^h
Mary & Ann respectively and the share of each dec-
eased daughter to the heirs of her body of each
deceased mother lawfully begotten and fulling is-
sue of any I give the deceased Mothers share of
the premises to be equally divided between the sur-
vivors of my said four grand daughters Susanna
Elizabeth, Mary & Ann Mathews & her lawful issue &

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divided between them for their respective nat^l
lives & at the decease of either the said Ann
Simmons, Mary Simmons & Harriette I
give said deceased (Mothers) share of said
plantatⁿ & & to the heirs of the body of the
respective deceased mother & and for de-
fault of all such heirs of the body of my
said three grand dau^s: Ann Simmons
Mary Simmons and Harriett Simmons
& of every of them &. I further give devise
& the remainders of my said Plantⁿ & &
to my Right heirs Except nevertheless out
of the Plantⁿ of about 586 acres where
I now live five of those acres of land situ-
on Johns island sd^d wh^{ch} I heretofore laid
out & appropriated for a Place of Sepulture,
for ever, for the Burial of the Bodies of my
Family & Relations in which one of my
deceased Wives & some of my deceased chil-
dren are buried. At the Four corners of sd
5 acres of Burying Ground I have caused
Pillars of Tabbly work to be raised & built
as the limits & bounds of the sd 5 acres

which parcel of 5 acres of land I hereby ord-
ain & appoint shall be reserved & kept apart
& inviolate, for the use & purpose aforesaid & no other
And I hereby give grant & devise unto my Kin-
dred & Relations & Family by every of them free
liberty of Ingress, Egress & Regress into through
from & out of the same, as & for their Burial
Place from time to time for ever, anything
Reveries before contained to the contrary notwith-
standing And as to my sd Eastm^t tenem^t
so situate in Charles Town at the decease of my
sd Daughter Jane Simmons I give & dev^{se}
the same & in fee or otherwise & under such
limitations & as she shall think fit to appoint
& to take effect only at her death to such one
of her said 3 Sons Ebenezer Simmons, Thomas
Simmons & William Simmons as she shall
name & appoint for that purpose. And for
want of such Disposition then to go & as pro-
vided for the messuages or House & Plantin^g
& left unto her my said daughter Jane Sim-
mons.

Item: I give & devise unto my loving grand
daughter Mary Gibbs for her nat: life the

use of all the S.W. moiety or half part of all
that my island called Kizwah Island where-
on the dwelling house now stand^{er} cont^y 1350
acres & all appur^{ts} & at the decease of my sd gd
dau: Mary Gibbs I further give & devise the
use of the sd S.W. part & to the heirs of her
Body & And for failure & to my Right heirs forever
Item: I give & devise unto my loving grand
daughter Sarah Mathews (late Sams) for
her nat: life the use of all the W^m moiety or half
part of all that my tract of land cont^y in the
whole 1040 acres sit: lying & being on St Helena
Island in Granville Co. in s^d Province & also all
the appur^{ts} And at the decease of her my sd gd
dau: Sarah Mathews I give & devise the use of
the said W^m moiety or half of said 1040 acres to
the heirs of her Body & for failure then unto my
loving Grand son Charles Sams for his nat:
life & and at the decease of the sd Chas Sams
I further give & dev^{se} unto the heirs of his Body and
for failure & unto my Right heirs forever.
Item: I give & devise unto my sd Grandson
Charles Sams for his nat: life all the E^m or
remaining other moiety of my tract of land
cont^y 1040 acres on St Helena Island & &
to the heirs of his Body and for failure & to my

loving g'd dau: Sarah Mathews & nat: life & zc
to my Right heirs. Item: I give & devise unto
my loving grand dau: Elizabeth Sams for
her nat: life & all those 3 parcels or tracts of
land situate on John's Island afr^e containg
in the whole about 890 acres that is to say 2
tracts contg together about 760 acres wh^{ch} I boug
ght at public outcry of Rawlins Lounds & zc
& a parcel of land contg about 130 acres which
I bought of Mary Beamer her Sister Sarah
& others and the appur^s and on the decease of
the said Elizabeth Sams I further give & zc
devise said 890 acres unto her Son (my great
grandson) William Sams for nat: life & zc
at his decease to the heirs of the Body of sd Wm
Sams & for failure zc unto my great grandson
John Sams (son of my sd grand dau: Elizth
Sams) for nat: life & zc and unto next eldest son
of her my sd g'd dau: Eliz. Sams body which
shall then be surviving & to have & to hold
for his nat: life & zc and for failure zc to the eldest
daughter of my sd g'd dau: Eliz. Sams & sub-
ject to be limited to my sd g'd dau: Eliz. Sams
two sons William & John so that the eldest
dau: & her lawful issue always shall be pre-
ferred [except always only my grand dau:
Elizabeth Nichols & her issue whom I do

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absolutely exclude & debar of & all inter-
est & out of the premises or any part thereof
And for failure & [as above. I.C.] to my Right Heirs
Item: I give and devise unto my loving
grand daughter Elizabeth Vanderhorst
daughter of the late Wm Raven and Sarah
his late wife, both deceased, for her natural
life & all that my share or NEⁿ moiety or
half of my Toiawah island aforesaid &
all & zc and at the decease of said Elizabeth
Vanderhorst I give & devise & to the heirs
of her body & zc and for failure & zc to my
right heirs forever.

Item: After all my just debts & Funeral
charges are paid I will & zc and empower
my said Executors & Executors herein
~~named~~ named & the survivor & zc to divide & zc
part all the surplusage rest & residue of
my personal estate wheresoever into 6
equal & ^{individual} ~~undifferent~~ Parcels or Lots as well
in negroes and slaves as in other goods

and chattels, Rights, Credits, Effects & things whatsoever of any value & then to proceed & allot the same in the following manner and for the several uses & that is to say One of said lots or shares w..... I hereby give & bequeath the use of, to & for my said Daughter Edith Mathews with all issue & profit (except as hereinafter mentioned) arising therefrom for her Natural Life & the negroes in said lot shall be used on some of the lands I have left her the use of But at the decease of my said Daughter Edith I further give & bequeath the principal of said ^{lot} & equally shared [&] between all the children & issue of her Body surviving her & the issue of them that be deceased. Another of the said 6 lots & I bequeath the use of to my said Daughter Jane Simmon with all issue and profit (except as hereinafter &) arising therefrom for her natural Life and the negroes & shall

during that term be used & in those or some of those lands which I have before left her the use of But at the decease of my said daughter Jane I further give & bequeath the principal between all her children &

Another of said 6 lots & I give & the use of to my said grand daughter Elizabeth Sams (after my Executors have taken out of the same the sum or value of £5000 current money which I require them to do and put out at Interest in good Security during the natural life of Elizabeth Richards my grand daughter & to pay over the interest to her & without the intermeddling of her husband & then to the issue of her body &) with all issue & (except &) for her natural life & the negroes & shall be used & But at the decease of my grand daughter Elizabeth Sams I further give & to her children & and &

Another of said 6 lots & I give & the use
of for & my said grand son Charles Sams
and grand daughter Sarah Mathews eq-
ually (except £5000 cur. money to be put
out at interest for their Mother Mary
Mc Gilverry (or Sams) my Daughter &
to pay over the interest to her & for her
maintainance & and at her death to her
son Alexander McGillivray at 21 &
to my said grandson Charles Sams & grand
daughter Sarah Mathews for their natural
lives & and the negroes & shall be used &
and at the decease & to the heirs of their
bodies & and the issue of the survivor &

Another of the said 6 shares I give & the
use of to my ^{grand} daughter Mary Gibbes
with all issue and profit (except &) for
her natural life & and then to her child-
ren & at 21 &.

I hereby appoint my Executrices & Execu-
tors & to take upon him; her or themselves
the care, charge & management of each;

And for failure of all such issue then to my right
heirs forever. And as to my said Western tenent
of the messuage or House & land & in said Town, at
the decease of my said daughter Edith Mathewes I
give & devise the same in fee absolute or otherwise &
under such limitⁿ & contingencies as she think fit
to give devise limit & settle by her last will in writ-
ing, to either of her said two Sons Wm. Mathews &
Thomas Mathewes (whether she be single or under con-
verture) And for want of such dispositⁿ then to
go as is provided of said 4 tracts of land left unto
my said daughter, Edith Mathewes.

Item: I give & devise unto my loving daugh-
ter Jane Simmons for and during the term
of her natural life without impeachment of waste
& no longer the use of all that my messuage or
House, Plantations & lands, where I now live;
being in several plots or tracts and containing
in the whole about 586 acres besides 152 acres of
marsh land & also 44½ acres of land which I bought
of said Wm Sams & David Hext & all that Eastern
tenement of the said messuage or House & the land thereto
belonging situate in said Town wch I bought of Danl.
Blake, Esq, & all use of all heredit^s & appurten^s.

And at the decease of her the said Jane Sim-
mons I further give & devise said messuage, House
Plantⁿ & lands where I now live & said 156 acres of
marsh & said 44½ acres of the heredit^s & appurten^s unto her
Son (my grandson) Ebenezer Simmons for and