at the descretion of my executors, I likewise constitute, make and
ordain my wife, Nancy and my two sons Jesse Williams and Richard
Williams executors and executrix of this my Last Will and Testament
and I do hereby ritter by, disallow, revoke and disannul all and
every other former testaments, wills, legacies, bequests and execu-
tors by me in any wise named willed and bequeathed, ratifying and
conforming this, and no other, to be my Last Will and Testament.
In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this
seventh day of September, in the year of our Lord 1806, and in
the 31st year of the independence of the United States of America.
Signed, sealed, published and pronounced and declared by the said
Fredrick Williams as his Last Will and Testament in the presence
of us
Jeremiah Williams
Sion Mitchell
James (X) Mitchell
Nancy (X) Williams
Recorded in Will Book "A" Page 255
Recorded March 25th 1808
Sn. Simkins O.E.D.
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WILL OF DAVID BOSWELL

In the name of God, Amen, I, David Boswell, being in perfect mind
and memory, but very weak and calling to mind the mortality of
body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die, do
make and ordain this to be my Last Will and Testament. Viz. ----
First, I give unto my wife, Margaret and my son, David, eight negroes
Viz. Moses, Beck, Auron, Milly, Baltimore, Charity, Dick and Amy,
together with the plantation, heron I now live, household and
kitchen furniture, plantation tools, horses, hogs and cattle,
except such of the horses as shall be hereafter named with all
sums of money due me, to her and her heirs forever. Second, I
give unto my daughter Elizabeth, three negroes Viz. Moll, Harriot
and Isaac and to my son George, three negroes Viz. Perry, James
and Henry, and one hundred acres of land adjoining the home house
tract and adjoining Matthew Deveres land lying on Chaveses Creek,
to be equally devided between my daughter, Elizabeth and my son
George, the above named proper to be delivered to them at their
arriving at the age of twenty one, and if either of them should
die with an heir, the property to return to the other. It is my
will and desire that my horse Spread Eagle be sold on a credit of
two years, and the money, when collected to be equally devided
between my wife and three children, Elizabeth, George and David.
It is my will and desire that my daughter Elizabeth have one horse
colt called Daredevil, and one feather bed and furniture. And my
son George, one Spread Eagle horse, colt and one feather bed and
furniture. It is my will and desire the proper be kept together
except the house above mentioned until the children comes of age.
I appoint my wife, Margret and my daughter, Elizabeth and my son
George and John Barnes executors to this my Last Will and Testament.
In witness whereof, set my hand and seal this eighteenth day Decem-
ber, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and seven.
Signed, sealed and delivered in presence of
John R. Bartee
John Barnes
David (X) Boswell (SEAL)
South Carolina, Edgefield District, by John Simkins, Ordinary
Personally appeared before me, Benjamin Roper and John Barnes
who being duly sworn, do make oath and say they were present and
saw David Boswell, sign, seal and deliver the within to be his
Last Will and Testament, and that the said David Boswell was then
of sound and disposing mind and memory, to the best of this depon-
ants knowledge and belief and that they saw John R. Bartee sign
his name as the witness thereto at the request of the testator,
at the same time qualified Margret Boswell and John Barnes executors
and executrix to the within, given under my hand, at my office the
23rd day of April 1808.
Jn. Simkins O.E.D.
Recorded in Will Book "A" Page 257
Recorded April 29, 1808
Jn. Simkins O.E.D.
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WILL OF VAN SWARINGEN

South Carolina, Edgefield District. In the name of God, Amen.
I, Van Swearingen of the said district, being weak in body, but
of sound and perfect mind and memory, considering the uncertainty
of this mortal life and blessed be the Almighty God for the same,
do make and publish this my Last Will and Testament, in manner and
form following, that is to say, First, I give and bequeath unto my
beloved wife, Rachel Swearingen, one negro woman by the name of
Philes, to be at her own disposal during life, also eight negroes
to wit Grace, Rose, George, Bob, Hannah, Nan, Isbell and Jude to
remain in the possession of my beloved wife, until my youngest
child attains the age of twenty one, then to be equally divided
amongst my children named as follows, William, Milley, Joel, Zilpah
Moses, Van, Eliz, Peggey, Frances, John and Aneel. Secondly, I give
and bequeath unto my beloved son, Van Swearingen, one hundred and
fifty acres of land, lying back of the Dulz old field, joining
Stephen Medlocks and Noah Clouds land, to be laid of at the discre-
tion of my executors. Thirdly, I give and bequeath unto my beloved
wife, Rachel Swearingen, all the rest of my land being the place
where I know her including the Piney Woods house, containing four
hundred and twenty eight acres, be the same minean lifs him natural
life time and then to be equally divided between my two beloved
sons Eli and John Swearingen at the discretion of my executors.
Further give and bequeath unto my beloved wife, Rachel Swear-
ingen, after my burial expences, doctor bills and lawful debts is
paid, all my stock of horses, cattle, hogs and household furniture.
As to all the rest of my residue remaining of my personals, estate
goods and chattels of whatsoever kind and nature it may be, I give
and bequeath the same unto my beloved wife, Rachel Swearingen, to
wit. I do hereby appoint Thomas Swearingen, Fredrick Swearingen
and Ezekie McClanand sole executors of this my Last Will and Testa-
ment, here by revoking all former wills by me made in witness
whereof I have set my hand and seal this 22nd day of January, in

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divided amongst them as they come of age, Rebecca Ballantine heirs forever. Also, my deceased son James Butler two sons, I constitute, make and ordain my beloved son, John Butler and I do hereby utterly disallow, revoke and disannul, all and every other former testaments, wills, legacies, bequests and executors by me in any wise before mentioned willed and bequeathed. Ratifying and confirming this and no other, to be my Last Will and Testament. In witness whereof, I set my hand and seal, this fourteenth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and eleven. Signed, sealed and acknowledged in the presence of William Byon
Joseph Prinn

James Butler (SEAL)
South Carolina, Edgefield District by John Simkins Ordinary
Personally appeared before me, Joseph Prinn, who being duly sworn do make oath and say he was present and saw James Butler sign, seal and deliver the within to be his Last Will and Testament, and that the said James Butler was then of sound and disposing mind and memory to the best of this deponents knowledge and belief, and that he saw William Lyon sign his name as a witness thereto, at the request of the testator, and in his presence, at the same time qualified John Butler and Hugh Ballantine executors to the within.
Given under my hand at my office this seventh day of June 1811.
Jn. Simkins O.E.D.

Recorded in Will Book "A" Page 298
Recorded July 24, 1811
Jn. Simkins O.E.D.
Box 6 Pkg. 192

WILL OF WILLIAM ROPER

In the name of God, Amen. I, William Roper of the District of Edgefield, being in a health of body, mind and memory, thanks be given to God, calling unto mind the mortality of my body, and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die, do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament, that is to say principally and first of all. I give and recommend my soul, into the hand of Almighty God, that gave it, and my body I recommend to the earth, to be buried in a decent christian burial, nothing doubting, but at the general resurrection, I shall receive the same again, by the mighty power of God. And as touching such worldly estate, where with it hath pleased God to bless me with in this life, I give and demise and dispose of the same, in the following manner and form.
First, I give and bequest unto my son, Wiley Roper, all that piece of land known by the name of Horns Land, and at my wifes death as much of the tract where I now live, to be taken along side of that tract of Horns, as will make an equal division of both tracts, between my son Wiley and my son Joel. I also give unto my son Joel, one young mare. I leave unto my wife, Lary Roper, my horse, cattle and hogs, together with all the balance of my estate, which is not already bequeathed, nor hereafter mentioned in this, my Last Will and Testament. I leave unto my daughter, Nancy and Sally, one feather...
er bed and furniture a piece, when they are married, or at the
death of my wife. And it is my desire that all that part of my
personal property, which I have pointed out to my wife, that at her
death, the whole shall be sold and equally divided among my six
children. I constitute and appoint my son in law Benj. Roper and
my son Joel Roper to be my whole and sole executors to this, my Last
Will and Testament. In witness whereof, I have herunto set my hand
and seal, this seventh day of June, in the year of our Lord, one
thousand eight hundred and three, and 27-28 of American Independence.
Witness
William Glover Jun.          William Roper (SEAL)
Anderson Glover
Recorded in Will Book "A" Pages 190 and 191
Recorded May 21, 1804
Jn. Simkins O.E.D.
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WILL OF JOHN WHITLEY

In the name of God, Amen. I, John Whitly of the District of Edge-
field and state of South Carolina, being sick of body, but of sound
and disposing mind, memory and understanding, thanks be to God for
the same, do make this my Last Will and Testament, in the manner
and form following, that is to say, I give to my beloved son, Lewis
one grey horse and saddle, one bed, cow and calf. I further request
that there should be a sale and that they should sell such property
as may be thought best, my plantation and negroes namely, Moses and
Su, to be left to my beloved wife until William Whitley, shall come
of age, and then his money to be raised, and Anna likewise, and
then the rest to be left ot my wife, her life time, and then the
plantation to be left to Lewis Whitley, and the balance to be equally
divided between Lewis Whitley and Kiszipah Culbreth. I hereby constitu-
tue and appoint my wife and Lewis Whitley executors of this my
Last Will and Testament, herby revoking all former wills by me made
declaring this my Last Will and Testament. Signed, sealed, published
and declared as the Last Will and Testament of John Whitley at
the request of, in the presence of whom we subscribed our names as
witnesses. In the presence of each other the 15th day of September
in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and eleven.
Anna (X) Whitley
Lewis Whitley
Charles (X) Carter
Recorded in Will Book "A" Pages 299 and 300
Proven October 4th, 1811
Original will not in files of probate judge.

WILL OF JOSEPH HIGHTOWER

In the name of God, Amen. I, Joseph Hightower of Edgefield Dist-


Recorded in Will Book "A" Page 341
Proven April 7th, 1815
Jn. Simkins O.E.D.
Original will not in files of Probate Judge.

WILL OF DRURY ADAMS

In the name of God, Amen. I, Drury Adams of the District of Edgefield, and state of South Carolina, being weak in body, but of a disposing mind and memory, thanks be given unto Almighty God for the same, calling unto mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die, do make and ordain this as my Last Will and Testament, that is to say principally and first of all, I give and recommend my soul, into the hands of Almighty God that gave it. And my body, I recommend to the earth, to be buried in a decent christian burial, at the discretion of my executors. Nothing doubting, but at the general resurrection, I shall receive the same again, by the mighty power of God, that gave it. And as touching such worldly estate, where with it has pleased God to bless me in this life with, I give, devise and dispose of the same in the manner and form following-Viz. I lend to my beloved wife, Sarah Adams, the land and plantation, whereon I now live, with ten negroes namely Dick, Judith, Mima, Barbra, Little Jeany, Quash, Fanny, Anmes, Martha and Charles, four head of horses, ten head of cattle, ten head of sheep, thirty head of geese and the stock of hogs then remaining on the plantation. Also all the household and kitchen furniture and plantation tools, all which property, after my death already named, I lend to my beloved wife, Sarah Adams, during her natural life and at her death, my will and desire is that my son, John Adams, shall have the land and plantation, whereon I now live. All the rest of the property above mentioned at her death, my will and desire is that it should be sold on a credit of twelve months, and the money thence arising to be equally divided among my young set of children then remaining by my present wife Sarah Adams, to them and their heirs forever. Also I lend to my beloved wife Sarah Adams, my wagon and all the gear, with the other property already named during her natural life.---------------------

Viz. I give and bequeath unto my loving son, Abraham Adams, at lawful age or marriage, one tract of land, cornering on Miles's lands a north course, from thence running a south course to lands held by John Moore, more or less, in that boundary. One negro girl named Betty, and her future increase, one bed and furniture, one set of cutttings, one cow and calf, one rifle gun and one large trunk, to him and his heirs forever. My will and desire is that if my son, Abraham Adams, should die without lawful heir, that all his personal estate, shall be sold and equally divided between his elder brother and sisters. And all his real estate to be sold and equally divided between his younger brothers and sisters then remaining.

Viz. I give and bequeath unto my loving son, James F. Adams, one small tract of land, lying cross the Martintown Road. My will and desire is that all the property then remaining be sold on a credit of twelve months and equally divided between my four children.
namely, James F. Adams, Mary Devore, Peggy Bird and Elizabeth Roper, all which I leave to them and their heirs forever. My will and desire is that my executors, sell as much of my personal Viz. I give and bequeath unto my two step children namely, Ben-
jamin Roper and Polley Roper, the tract of land known by the Walnut
Hill, one bed and furniture each, one cow and calf each, at lawful
age or marriage, one negro, Dick, at their mothers death, all which
property, I give to them and their heirs forever.-----------------
This I certify to be my Last Will and Testament, revoking all oth-
ers heretofore made by me. Lastly, I nominate and appoint my lov-
ing wife, Sarah Adams and my trusty friend Jonathan Devore and
Daniel Roper, my whole and sole executrix and executors to this
my Last Will and Testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto
set my hand and affixed my seal, this ninth day December, in the
year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and fourteen, and in
the thirty ninth year of American independence. Signed, sealed
and acknowledged in the presence of us

Roger M. Williams
Benj. Hargrove
Benjamin Roper

South Carolina, Edgefield District by John Simkins Esqr. Ordinary
Personally appeared before me, Benjamin Hargrove, who being duly
sworn, doth make oath and say he was present and saw Drury Adams
sign, seal and deliver the within, to be his Last Will and Testament
and that he the said Drury Adams, was then of sound disposing
mind, memory and understanding to the best of this deponents know-
ledge and belief, and that Roger M. Williams and Benjamin Roper
together with this deponent, signed their names as witnesses to
the within at the same time qualified Sarah Adams executor, Jon-
athan Devore and Daniel Roper executor to the within. Given under
my hand, at my office, the 26th day of May 1815. Jn. Simkins O.E.D.
Recorded in Will Book "A" Pages 344 and 345
Recorded July 10, 1815
Jn. Simkins O.E.D.
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WILL OF JOHN HUFF

State of South Carolina, Edgefield District. In the name of God,
Amen. I, John Huff of the state and district aforesaid, knowing
that it is appointed for all men, once to die, do make and ordain
this my Last Will and Testament, in the manner and form following.
Revoking all other wills by me heretofore made.
First of all, I give unto my two sons, Julius Huff and Allen Huff,
a certain tract of land, containing two hundred and twenty five
acres, lying in the state of North Carolina, Granville County, on
the waters of Neuce River, to be equally divided between them, to
them and their heirs.-----------------------------
I give unto my son, Daniel Huff, all that tract of land, I purchased
of George Cheney, containing two hundred acres, and part of a tract
of land, that I purchased of Colo. Lery Hammond, on the west side
of the school house spring branch from the mouth to the first fork
of the before mentioned branch, from thence up the valley to a white