

Will of JOHN DOUGLASS
(Fairfield County, SC)

State of South Carolina

I, JOHN DOUGLASS, of the County of Fairfield in the State aforesaid being of sound and disposing mind and memory do make and declare the following as my last will and testament.

Item 1. I have already given by way of advancement to my sons, WILLIAM DOUGLASS, ALEXANDER B. DOUGLASS, JOHN C. DOUGLASS, JAMES DOUGLASS and CHARLES DOUGLASS, each, a tract of land containing two hundred and twenty five acres.

Item 2. I give and devise to my daughter, ELIZABETH, wife of THOMAS W. ERVIN two hundred and twenty five acres of my land to be laid off to her adjoining the tract now owned by said THOMAS W. ERVIN, SAMUEL F. MOBLEY and JAMES DOUGLASS, said land to be held by my executors hereinafter named in trust for my said daughter during her life and at her death to be and be divided among such children as she may leave living at the time of her death.

Item 3. I give and devise to my two grand-daughters, JANE ^L SLOAN and ELIZABETH C. SLOAN (two) hundred and twenty five acres of my land to be laid off to them by my executors at a place most suitable to be determined by them.

Item 4. As by gifts heretofore made and the devises herein contained I have as nearly as practicable provided equally for any children so far, I will and direct that after my death the residue of my estate, real and personal be sold by my executors and the nett proceeds of such sales divided equally among my children, in which division my two grand-daughters named in the third (3) Item of this will shall together take the share to which their mother if alive would be entitled.

Item 5. I hereby empower my executors or any one of them to make and execute good titles to the property which by this will they are authorised to sell.

Lastly. I nominate and appoint as executors of this my last will and testament my sons, WILLIAM DOUGLASS, ALEXANDER B. DOUGLASS, JOHN C. DOUGLASS and JAMES DOUGLASS.

Witness my hand and seal this ___nth day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty nine (1869.)

JOHN DOUGLASS (signature)

Executed in our presence
JAMES B. McCANTS (signature)
SAM B. CLOWNEY (signature)
W. N. CHANCLER (signature)