

THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF JACOB GIBSON  
MINISTER OF THE GOSPEL

The State of South Carolina

In the Name of God Amen. I Jacob Gibson of Camden district in the Said State of South Carolina Knowing That it is Appointed of GOD for all men Once to Die and Come to Judgement have thought Proper in this my Day of health and Strength Sound Mind mind and Memory to Make and ordain This my Last Will and Testament and as I hope and Trust I committ my Soul and Body to the Care and Keeping of my Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ and Hope to Die in the Faith of the Bleeding Lamb I Shall Say No More To any further Preamble on that Part: And as Touching Such Wordly Goods as it hath Been pleased God to favour me With I desire May be Disposed and Acted With in Manner and form following:

and as the different Interests of My Present Wife Sarah Gibson Requires Somewhat of a Large consideration I Shall make that Part my beginning.

And Unto her my well beloved Wife Sarah Gibson I allow the Priviledge of my Dwelling House and Other houses and Orchard and allow her to keep my Children Together During her pleasure and Discretion of my Executors also allow her to have the Priviledge of her Sheep and Geese Land for her Garden and any Other small Uses as She may have occasion of for her Self also her Original Stock of Cattle her Mare and Saddle provided She Shall Not Give Nor Dispose of Any thing of off the Plantation Without the Advice and Consent of my Executors and these Priviledges to Continue During her Widowhood or Life at Which Time I shall allow her to give to her Children the Value of her stock that She first Brought to me With her household Goods and furniture Etc and it is my Desire that Due Care and Industry Shall be Used on my plantation by all that Remain on it and for none to have any Residence on it that Shall Abuse by being Idle or Contentious and I would Desire that Negroe pat be put to the field and an Overseer Employed to Carry on Cropping to the best Advantages and Raising Stock as Carefully as possible out of Which I desire the Widow and Children may be Supported and All my Children be Well Clothed and Schooling Sufficiently Given them Especially my Son Able & James

Item: I have Given Unto My Two Sons Jacob and Joseph Gibson two hundred Acres of land to Each of them in full of their part of my Estate to them and their heirs for Ever and as for my Next two Sons David and Stephen Gibson for David it is my desire that a horse Worth ten Pounds Sterling and Saddle and Clothes to the amount of ten Pounds Sterling be Made to him as Soon as Conveniency Offers I Give Unto Stephen my Sorrell Colt and Desire that he may have a Creditable Saddle and a Suit of Clothes Worth ten Pounds or Clotheing to that amount on the Next Year after David has his and Who of the Brothers Will take Benjamin and look After him Shall have all the Priviledge of what they can Make of my Lands and my fathers in Virginia I Give and Bequeathe Unto my well beloved Daughter Judith Gibson Pats first Son Called Jupiter and Desire that When She is Married She May have one good feather bed and furniture Sufficient to it

And it is my Desire that if Negroe Pat Shall have any More Children That the Next Child She has should belong to my Daughter Lucy and the next to Priscillia According to their Birth right and it is my Desire that if there Can be Money Raised on my Plantation so as to Purchase Lands or Slaves to More Advantage than the Interest That it may be done by my Executors for the benefit of my Children and after the Marriage or Death of my Wife for my Whole Estate to be Sold or Equeally Divided by Lot at the discretion of my Executors Between Stephen and David Benj Able and James and if Either of the Girles Should fall Short of Getting their Negroe Children as aformentioned for them that fall Short to Share a part With the Boys: and as for Stock and all Other profits that may Anually arise from the profits of my Plantation I Desire that my Two Sons Jacob and Jos Gibson should share equal parts With the Rest of My Children:

And I appoint Consititute and Ordain my Dear and well beloved friend and Brothers in the Lord Thomas Halsell John Kennerly with my Well beloved Son Jacob Gibson to be Executors to this my Last Will and Testament and I do hereby Revoke Disannull and Make Void all Other Wills formerly by me Made and all other Gifts or Testaments that may in any Shape or manner Appear Contrary to What is herein Contained Owing Ratifying and Acknowledging this and No Other to be my Last Will and testament and in further Confirmation of Which I have hereunto Set my Hand and Affixed my Seal This 8th Day of Decembr in the Year of Our Lord 1784 and in the Ninth Year of American Independency

Seald and acknowledged  
in the Presence of Us

/s/ J Gibson Senr<sup>r</sup>

Thomas Bemare  
Jesse Bemare  
Elizabeth Kennerly