

WILL OF JESSE GLADDEN

I, JESSE GLADDEN OF THE DISTRICT OF Fairfield and State aforesaid being sick and weak of body, but of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding. Thanks be to Almighty God: and calling to mind the mortality of my body - That is ordained for all men to die. Do make and declare this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following- Viz: First and principally I recommend my Soul to God, Beseeching him to forgive my sins, Through the merits of Jesus Christ, and my body I bequeath to the Earth to be decently buried at the discretion of my Executors hereafter named - and as touching my worldly Estate which it has been please God to bless me with - I give and bequeath in manner and form following - 1st its my Will and desire that all my just debts be duly paid and discharged. 2nd, I leave for the use of my beloved NELLY GLADDEN during her natural life two negroes namely, Clara and Nut, which said two negroes I wish my son SILAS GLADDEN to manage and see they decently support his mother, and at her death, I wish them sold for my daughters, Also, I give to my wife the use in common with her son Silas of all furniture in and about my dwelling house and at her death I give it to my son SILAS exclusively, except that part is hereafter conveyed to other children. 3rd. I give and bequeath to my son JOHN GLADDEN one half of the tract of land on which I reside supposed to contain one hundred and fifty acres be the same more or less, Also, a negro boy named Enoch and twenty-five dollars in him or a bed. 4th, I give and bequeath to my son SILAS GLADDEN the other tract of land on which I live, which said part it to include my Dwelling House,

etc., as I expect his mother to stay with him, but never-the-less to be equally divided as to value. Also, I give to my son SILAS a negro boy named DOCTOR and one feather bed and furniture, etc. 5th. I give and bequeath to my son JESSE GLADDEN one-third part of said land lying on each side of the Wateree Creek containing four hundred acres more or less. Also, a negro woman called AGGY and one feather bed and furniture, etc. 6th: I give and bequeath to my son JAMES GLADDEN one-third part of my said tract of land lying both sides of the Wateree Creek. Also, a negro boy about eight years of age called Eric, etc. Also, of the first monies that come into the hands of my Executors, after my just debts are paid. I allow him twenty-five dollars in lieu of a bed, etc. 7th: I give and bequeath to my son WILLIAM GLADDEN the other third-part of tract of land on Wateree Creek, also, at his mother's death his choice of a negro fellow named Bob or Sam, and one feather bed and furniture. 8th: I give and bequeath to my daughter DARKY GLADDEN a two year old filley-known as the republican filly. 9th: It is my Will and desire that all my property be sold on a credit for nine months and the monies arising from sales thereof to be equally divided among all my daughters share and share alike, etc. 10th: I do hereby constitute and appoint my sons SILAS and WILLIAM GLADDEN my Executors of this my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all former will be made ratifying and confirming this to be my last Will and Testament.

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seal this 11th day of October in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Twenty-one.

Signed, Sealed, Published

JESSE GLADDEN (signed with X)

Pronounced and declared

In presence of

JOHN WOODWARD

DANIEL GRAFTON

JAMES MCWATTERS

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JOHN BUCHANAN, ORDINARY

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N.B. WILL GLADDEN is to have Bob immediately after my father's death but if he does not get well of his present defects he then is to have at his mother's death if he chooses Sam, and the one he does not choose together with Nut or Clara is to be sold for the benefit of my daughters.

Signed, Sealed and Declared

JOHN WOODWARD

JESSE GLADDEN

Daniel GRAFTON

SIGNS with his X.

JAMES McWATTERS

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HEIRS:

Wife NELLY

CHILDREN:

SILAS GLADDEN.....Son

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DARKY GLADDEN....daughter.

JOHN GLADDEN.....Son

He mentions other daughters,

JESSE GLADDEN.....Son

but not by name.

JAMES GLADDEN.....Son

⁷² They were: SARAH, KEZIAH,

WILLIAM GLADDEN.....Son

MARY GLADDEN.