

RODEN.016 THE WILL OF JOHN RODEN SR., OF CHESTER COUNTY S.C., PROBATED DECEMBER 1824, RECORDED IN BOOK G, PAGE 403, APARTMENT NO. 59, PACKAGE 912 OF CHESTER COUNTY S.C. RECORDS. (DATA IN RODEN.9 RELATES TO THIS WILL)

WILL OF JOHN RODEN

In the name of God amen...I John Roden Senior, of the state of South Carolina and District of Chester, being of sound and disposing mind and memory but weak in body and calling to mind the uncertainty of life and being desirous to dispose of all such worldly estate as it hath pleased God to bless me with, do make and ordain this my last will, in manner following, that is to say: I give to my son John Roden Junior all the land on the south side of the Rocky Branch, included within my lines and known as the place whereon he now lives, also One Negro Woman named RHODA and Negro lad named Samuel and also an equal share of such property as I have not bequeathed and leave at my decease. To him and his heirs forever.

I give to my son Greenberry Roden his heirs and assigns forever in case he be living, One Negro girl named Hannah and also an equal share of such property as I have not bequeathed, and leave at my decease, but in case the said Greenberry Roden be dead, then and in that case I give the above named Negro girl Hannah, to my daughter Susannah, to her and her heirs forever.

I give to my son Thomas Roden, the land whereon he now lives laid out and divided by a line made in the presence of Jesse Simpson and my son John and also the sum of Fifty Dollars (in cash) and no more to him & his heirs forever.

I give to my son Isaac Roden all my land on the east side of the Rocky Branch not already disposed of, including the place whereon I now live and I also give to the said Isaac Roden the land which I purchased from Amos Humphries, adjoining the above. I also give to Isaac Roden, one Negro man named Jim and one Negro woman named Nancy, one feather bed and furniture and three hundred dollars in cash and no more to him and his heirs forever.

I give to my daughter Anne one Negro girl named Nancy also an equal share of such property as I have not bequeathed and leaved (left) at my decease to her and her heirs forever.

I give to Francis Wilks Twenty Five Dollars, and no more.

I give to Abraham Bannister and Sally Bannister the sum of Fifty Dollars which may be reckoned at Twenty Five Dollars each, and no more.

All my property not disposed of in the above I wish to be sold as soon as may be after my decease and the proceeds thereof divided agreeable to the above Willed.

Lastly I unstitute and Appoint my two sons, John Roden and Thomas Roden my Executors of this my last Will and Testaments by me heretofore made. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this first----day of May---in the Forty Third Year of the Independence of the United States of America.

Signed sealed published and declared as And for the last Will & Testament of the above named JOHN RODEN SR.

(SIGNED) JOHN (x) RODEN SR. (LS)

In the presence of us.

JAS. F. SEALY

SAMUEL SEALY JR.

FERDINAND SEALY