

**WILL OF  
WILLIAM GRAHAM, SR.**

In the name of God, Amen,

I William Graham, Sr. of the District of Horry and State of South Carolina, being of sound and perfect mind and memory (blessed be God) do this twenty third day of October in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Twenty make and publish this my last Will and Testament in manner following that is to say;

First, I lend unto my beloved wife, Elizabeth, during her natural life, the following hereditary and personal property to wit, the plantation whereon I now live, also all my stock of horses, cattle, hogs, sheep, plantation tools, bee hives and household furniture; also the following Negroes with their increase, Viz, Hestor, Sue, Statira, Sealy, Darcus, Stepney, Frank and Sam provided always, and I hereby declare it to be my will that the plantation already mentioned, at my said wife's death shall be immediately delivered to my son, Abraham, as his exclusive right and property, and also I hereby declare it to be my will that at my said wife's death all the personal property before mentioned to wit, all the stock of horses, cattle, hogs, sheep, plantation tools, bee hives, and household furniture and the following Negroes (with their future issue), to wit, Hestor, Sue, Statira, Sealy, Darcus, Stepney, Frank and Sam, shall be equally divided between my surviving children and in no other manner whatever

Second, I give and bequeath unto my son, William Graham, one tract of land whereon he now lives, containing six hundred and sixty acres also the following Negroes to wit, Charlotte, Murriet, Primus, Cudgo, Larry, Moses and Bob with all their future issue.

Third, I give and bequeath unto my son, Abraham Graham after my wife's death as already mentioned the plantation, whereon I now live containing six hundred and sixty acres, also the following Negroes with their future issue to wit, Dilcy, Sabrey, Charles and Jack Saul.

Fourth, I give and bequeath unto my said sons, William Graham and Abraham all the remainder and residue of my lands not already devised to be equally, divided between them.

Fifth, I give and bequeath unto my daughter, Sussannah McQueen and the lawfull heirs of her body the following Negroes, to wit, Jude, and her child Statira, Wealthy Jack and Handy with all their future issue.

Sixth, I give and bequeath unto my daughter, Eliza Ann Rebecca Graham and the lawfull heirs of her body the following Negroes to wit, Dyce, Lucretia, Prince and Noble with all their future issue.

Seventh, I give and bequeath unto my daughter Peggy Ann Graham and the lawfull heirs of her body the following Negroes to wit, Kitsey, Ragney, Stepney (younger) and Jacob with all their future issue.

Eighth, I hereby declare that is my Will that if any of my said children should die unmarried or being married should die without lawfull issue of their body that in that case all the property hereby devised with its increase shall return and be equally divided between my surviving children.

Lastly, I hereby make and ordain my said wife, Elizabeth, Executrix and my said sons, William Graham and Abraham Graham Executors of this my last Will and Testament. In witness whereof I the said William Graham, Sr. have to this my Last Will and Testament set my hand and seal the day and year already written.

William Graham, Sr.

Signed, sealed, published and declared by the said William Graham, Sr. the testator as his Last Will and Testament in the presence of us, who were present at the time of signing, and sealing thereof

Note before signing 34 line interlined Saul.

Note before signing 41 line interlined Jack.

James G. Cochran, Witness

T. Jane Hardee, Witness

Jane Graham, Witness

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Recorded August 16th, 1824.

John Durant Ordinary of Horry District

Recorded in Horry

County Courthouse

Probate Judge Office

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