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WILL OF

SION COATES

The State of South Carolina

I Sion Coates of the District of Kershaw & State aforesaid calling to mind the uncertainty of life do make and publish this my last Will and testament in Manner & form following, Viz. Item 1. I give and devise to my son Sion Coates in fee Simple, all that parcel of Land purchased by me from Gillam Clanton Situate in the District of Kershaw on the drains of Singletons Creek also all the Land I now own that lays between the road passing by Liberty Hill to Camden the Land belonging to John Clanton, the Land now claimed by Dempsey Graham and a line running from the North East Corner of a tract of Land originally granted to Thomas Magee to a stake corner of the said Land thence continuing the course of Said line a crop a tract of Land originally granted to William Kirkland to a tract of Land originally granted to James Perry now in the possession of Dempsey Graham, I also give and bequeath to my Said Son Sion Coates one Negro man named Bob.

Item 2. I give and devise to my two Sons Gideon Coates and John Coates in fee Simple All that tract or parcel of Land on which my dwelling House is Situated composed of parts of Several Surveys being all the Land I now own that lies between John Clantons Land, Austin F. Peays Land, the land now in the possession of Dempsey Graham and the land above designated & devised to my son Sion Coates to be equally divided between my said two Son's Gideon Coates & John Coates I also give and bequeath to my son Gideon Coates one Negro Man named Joe, and a young Mare known by the name of the printer filly, and one Feather Bed & furniture- I also give & bequeath to my Son John Coates one colt known by the name of the Kupiesco Colt also one feather Bed and furniture. Item 3. I give and bequeath to my daughter Betsey Coates two of my Slaves, Viz. Eliza and Harriette, and a man Known by the name of the Virginus Filly

and a feather Bed & furniture. Item 4. I give and bequeath two of my Slaves, Viz. Amy & Reuben a horse call John to my Wife Sarah Coates in trust, for the use of my daughter Jincey Revell, during her natural life and at her death to the heirs of her body forever. The earnings of Said negroes slaves and horse is not to be subject to the controul of her husband or liable for any of his debts. Item 5. I give and bequeath to my daughter Mary Coates two of my Slaves, Viz. Chainey and Diner, also one Feather Bed & furniture. Item 6. I give and bequeath to my daughter Rebecca Coates three of my Slaves, Viz. Mathew, Venus, and Jackson also one Feather bed and Furniture- Item 7. I give and devise to my Wife Sarah Coates during her natural life the use of one third part of the land I have divided to my two Sons Gideon Coates and John Coates, I also give and bequeath to my said Wife Sarah Coates during her natural life three of ^{my} Slaves, Viz. Hannah, Ferriby and Jim and two of my horse, also all my stock of Cattle, & Hogs My plantation Tools & also my Waggon & Gear & also all my Kitchen Furniture and the residue of My household Furniture- and after the death of my Wife Sarah Coates, the negroes, Stock of Cattle, Hogs, plantation Tools & the waggon & Gear Kitchen Furniture & Household Furniture in this Item of my Will - to be equally divided among all of her children or such of them as she the said Sarah Coates may direct, or the Same to be sold by my Executors & the proceed thereof be divided among such of her children as she may direct. Item 8. I farther will and direct that a piec or parcel of Land lying on the North East side of the road passing by Liberty Hill to Camden and adjoining Joseph Cuninghams land & near to his dwelling house be sold by my Executors herein after Named in Such manner as shall appear to them Most for the interest of my Estate and the proceed thereof applied in the first plan to the purchase of a Negroe boy for my son John Coates, the boy to be of a good Size for

a plough boy, the balance arising from the Sales of this land, if any balance to be applied to the payment of my debts. ---
Item 9th.. I will and bequeath to my daughter Polly Flanigan Two hundred Dollars to be paid her by my Executors here after named out of the proceed of the crops to be raised on my plantation, at the Expiration of three Years from the time of my death.--- Item 10th.. I also will and direct as a further Means for the payment of my debts, that the whole of my Land devised to my children (except the land devised to my Son Sion Coates) and all my Slaves, Horse, Stock Cattle, Stock Hogs, Household & Kitchen furniture plantation tools waggon & Gears &. bequeathed to My Wife & children (except the Negroe Slave named Bob bequeathed to my son Sion Coates) and every thing necessary & proper for the carrying the planting on my said Lands as fully as at present, remain in the hands and under the direction and management of my Executors for three Years; or untill the profits & earnings thereof together with Monies to be raised by Sales of the Land authorized to be made by my Executors shall enable them to pay off and discharge all my just debts, the Legacy to my daughter Polly Flanigan & the negroe boy for my son John and untill the devices & Legacies be delivered up to my Wife & children. The above mentioned property whilst it remains in the hands of my Executors is hereby charged with a reasonable allowance for the Support of, and Maintainance of my Wife and children (except my son Sion Coates) and with a reasonable allowance for the Schooling of my three youngest children their Schooling to be such as I have given my other children. Item 11th.. I do hereby further authorize my Executors here after named to renew regularly & Keep up all my notes in any and each of the Banks, According to the rules and regulations of said Banks untill they can finally pay off and satisfy & discharge the same out of monies of my Estate.-----
Item 12th.. Lastly I hereby nominate, constitute and appoint my

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Wife Sarah Coates my Executrix my Son Sion Coates & my friend Austin F. Peay Executors of this my last will and testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this twenty Seventh day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight Hundred and Thirty & in the fifty fourth year of American Independence.

Signed Sealed published & Delivered by the said Testator who signed this sheet & the sheet hereunto annexed as his last Will & testament, in presence of us who at his request & in his presence & in the presence of each other, have Subscribed our Names as Witnesses to the due Executor thereof

Sion Coates (SEAL)

Roland Cornelius
John Clanton Junior
Nathaniel Clanton Junior

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Ord. David Schrock

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