

Francis Williams
William
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In the name of God Amen -

I Francis Williams of the State and County aforesaid being of sound mind and memory, and in good health, but knowing that the time which is once appointed for all to die, will soon come, and that the time thereof is uncertain, do hereby make public and declare this my Last will and Testament, hereby reclaiming and revoking all former wills and testaments, made prior to this date, January the 3^d day A.D. 1854 -

Item 1st I give and bequeath to my daughters, Margaret C. Williams, Sarah W. Williams, Parmelia Williams & Rosa P. Williams, my dwelling house, wherein I now live together with two hundred acres of land adjoining and surrounding it - with the privilege of cutting timber to repair the same, also for firewood fencing and all other plantation purposes - on all my lands, I also to give to my said daughters Margaret C., Sarah W., Parmelia and Rosa P. all my Household & Kitchen furniture, Plantations and farming tool and Stock of every kind - which together with my house and two hundred acres of land I give to them jointly and severally to them and their heirs in fee simple and forever, and in case either of my said daughters shall die unmarried it is my wish that her share in the same devolve to her remaining sisters, or sister living and unmarried - and to my son, C. F. Williams -

Item 2^d I give to my son Charles Francis Williams all the balance of my lands of whatever kind or location to him and his heirs forever -

Item 3^d I give to my daughters Margaret C., Sarah W., Parmelia and Rosa P. Williams the following negroes viz. Treacy, Caroline, George, Joseph, Lucinda, Virginia

Item 3^d continued —

Markes, Esulin, Diley, Ransom, Julia, Hannah, Maria
Zephra, Dick, Crockett, Daniel, and their legal in-
-crease to them and their heirs forever, and if either of
my said daughters in this above clause mentioned shall die
before marriage it is my will that their or her share
so dying shall go to and be divided betwixt said
single sisters surviving - share and share alike —

Item 4th I give to my son Charles F. Williams, my negro
Moses, Violet and Lucy and their legal increase - to him
and his heirs forever —

Item 5th I give to my daughter Mary E. Draughon
my negroes, Judith, Shade, Amanda, Margaret, Senia and
my boy Friday, together with all;
their legal increase —

Item 6th I ~~give~~ ^{leave} to my daughter Emily Cox wife of
Blackman Cox for the term of her natural life - the following
negroes, viz. Mary, Henry, and John, and after her death
it is my will that said negroes, and their lawful increase
be equally divided between the children of my said daug-
-ter, surviving her —

Item 7th I leave to be sold my negroes, Allen, Linda
and Squire, and after the payment of my debts debts,
if I leave any - I desire the balance of the pro-
-ceeds of said sale to be equally divided between
all my children, surviving, and their legal representa-
-tives —

Item 8th I lastly, hereby nominate and appoint my son
Charles Francis Williams and my brother Stephen Williams
Executors to this my last will and Testament, - which
I hereby publicly declare and Execute, this day and
date above written and in presence of these

Witness
Jas B Kelly
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J. B. Kelly