

Thomas Key
to
Seath

This instrument is the last will & testimony of me Thomas Key of Mill creek in the district of Edgefield in the state of South Carolina Planter as follows that is to say I rened my seal to the supreme being from whence it came & that my body be decently buried by my executors herein after named as to my mortdary estate of which I may dispossesed I direct that all my lawful debts be first paid therefrom by my executors & the remainder I dispese of in the manner following that is to say first I give advise & bequeath unto my well beloved wife Elizabeth the sum of Two thousand five hundred dollars to be paid out of my estate by my executors which is to be entirely at her own disposal also 3 negroes bound Gilts any & maleday & their increase a carriage & pair of horses & what household & kitchen furniture she may think necessary to live during her natural life & which at her decease shall be equally divided Among my children & I do further direct my executors to sell all my estate both real & personal stocks of all kinds or descriptions plantation & other cattle instruments of husbandry & vessels wagon carts & conveyances except such as may be herein after bequeathed in that may or or those terms which they may execute think best beneficial for my heirs & the proceeds to be equally divided among my children Robert Joshua Catherine Scott Polly Key Lucy Collier & Elizabeth Farm formerly to Howard it is my will that part alloted for my daughters & I forming to Howard namely the one sixth shall be kept in the hands of my to for the benefit of her natural her just husband At

due to be paid over to them as they come of
 age or marry Leona & give devise & bequeath
 unto my daughter Lea Y six shares which I formerly
 ent her namely George Hannah Joshua Humphrey
 Sarah & bob a sored horse & Brown bay mare
 Two feather beds & furniture the above shares
 except George are hereby ent for the benefit of her
 his former husband Howard & which are at
 my decease to be equally divided of the process
 of them by my executors among the above named
 children third I give devise & bequeath unto
 Sarah who married my daughter Martha Key
 who is dead since such marriage & his
 heirs one half part of a tract of land containing
 one hundred acres in Jackson county bounded also
 West three negro slaves Employed mostly & Stephen
 & the increase of the families thereby also a
 bed & furniture & which said property was
 part into his possession on such marriage &
 that the same as above mentioned to be in full
 for a distribution share of my estate to give
 & bequeath unto my son Robert Key & his heirs
 five negro slaves fourt Isaac Little Davis son
 Nelson & Lewis & their & increase of the families
 thereby also a horse Bridle & saddle two
 feather beds & furniture all of which he has
 received also I give unto my son Robert
 eyes Charlotte my mostly boy & a negro
 Lewis which he is to receive at my death
 & I give & bequeath unto my son Joshua Key
 & his heirs one tract of land containing two
 hundred & 20 acres bought & purchased of
 James O'neil also six negroes fourt Miles
 big But Phillip Mackin John Mass &
 Paulis son with the gear & in ardoe of the
 families thereby one horse & bridle & saddle & two
 feather beds & furniture all of which he has received
 & I further give my son Joshua which he is to
 receive at my death six other negroes fourt Miles
 Sarah Lunn Ephraim Purn & Penella sixth I
 give & bequeath unto my daughter Catharine who is
 married to Mr Scott & her heirs her negroes consist
 aby Grady Spurce Jan Nancy Jony married Stephen
 Sarah & Silvia & the increase of the families thereby
 all of which they have received also two feather
 beds & furniture received also I further give at
 my decease to my daughter Catharine & her heirs
 six other negroes slaves fourt me Grace Young

Barnett Handy Loharey & dally I do give & bequeath
 unto my daughter Polly Key 25 negroes both Handys body
 Bratet Billy Patrick Sam Louise Eliza Suckey Jim
 Rose Lundy Belin Gandy Cobanella Nancy Little Jerry
 & Esther & lady & the increase of the families thereof
 one horse saddle & Bridle two feather beds & furniture
 which she has not yet received I do give & bequeath
 unto my daughter Lucy Collier Clemson negroes Louis
 Charles Pecky wife Nancy Willis Aaron Gandy Mary
 Phoebe Jerry & others & the increase of the family
 thereof one horse saddle & bridles & two feather beds
 & furniture all of which they have received also I
 further give to my daughter Lucy Collier six other
 negroes at my decease ditto Anna Gandy Lydia
 Samuel Gandy & Ann & I hereby declare to be by
 will & desire shall all the property both real &
 personal estate or in reason especially before
 given arrived or bequeathed to my said daughters
 Catherine Scott Polly Key Lucy Collier shall be
 free & clear & free of & from the controll
 debts in gagemots of her or their present or future
 husband or husbands & I do hereby further direct
 that all remainder of my estate not before given
 avised or bequeath shall as soon as convenient
 can be after my death be sold by my said
 executors at public auction & for the best prices
 & that the proceeds thereof shall be first applied to the
 payment of my just & lawful debts funeral
 & other necessary expenses in the sale & manage-
 ment of the estate that the remainder shall be by
 this provided as in the way & on the terms &
 condition mentioned in the just clause of this
 will my beloved wife Key executors of law
 & lastly I do hereby constitute & appoint 3
 son in law of me death & Edward Collier & my
 son Joshua Key executors of this my last will
 & testimony & do hereby revise all other former
 wills by me made in witness whereof I have
 hereunto set my hand & seal this 13 day of July
 in the year of our Lord one thousand eight
 hundred & 20 & the 146th year of American independence
 Signed sealed subscribed & cleared by the said
 Thomas Key Testim his last will testifying in
 my presence who in his possession & that by each
 other have severally subscribed our names as witness
 thereto Roger Dr Williams William Powell John
 Ridge Nat Steevens witnessed by an old nego
 man Ben & his wife and in the foregoing

will it is my wish that he or they should have
 the liberty of choosing his or their master or
 mistress among my children who shall receive &
 take care of them while they live Roger Williams
 Williams's Purse I Reg, Sixth Corolla Edgefield
 District Reg John Banks esquire ordinary
 Person also appear before me Roger Williams who
 being duly sworn doth make oath & say that
 he saw Thomas Key signed seal & acknowledged
 the within to be his last will & testamony that
 he the said Thomas Key was then of sound dis-
 posing mind memory & understanding to the
 best of the deponents knowledge & belief & that
 he the said Roger Williams together with Mr.
 Perrell & John Herby were signed their names
 thereon to at the request of the testator & in
 his presence present his qualifid Joshua Key
 & James Scott executors given under my hand
 at my office the 2d day of Nov 1821,

Jno Linkins Q C S

South Carolina

Edgefield District O Yonder ordinary of said District
 I do hereby certify that the foregoing instrument of
 writing contains a true copy of the original will
 of Thomas Key Dec 28mth A.D. 1821 of record in my office
 given under my hand & privately seal having the seal
 of office the 19 day of Sept 1830

O Yonder P E S S

Filed for Record 18 of Jan 1842 & Recorded Jan 24 1842
 Joel Mason Clerk

State of South Carolina

Shelly Connings Reg his due process to
 Buller your Governor & commander in chief in &
 over the state of ore said to all to whom these Presents
 shall come P m Buller know ye that O Yonder who
 certifies the annexed sheet of paper to contain a
 true copy the original will of Thomas Key Esq. is the
 judge of the court of ordinary for the District of
 Edgefield in the State aforesaid to whom is intrusted
 the care & keeping of original will in said district
 & giving probate thereon that his said certificate
 is in due form & by the proper official sheweth
 all due faith credit & authority as & ought to be
 had & given to his prosses & certificate so
 much in testimony whereof I have hereunto set my
 hand & caused to be affixed the seal of the State
 in the Year of our Lord the 26th of Oct in the year of
 our Lord one thousand eight hundred & eight & in the

the 3 year of the independence of the united states
of America by the governor
B H Saxon Se of the state