

Will, SC, York, JOSEPH FEEMSTER 1804

Case #56
File #2496

JOSEPH FEEMSTER, deceased
JOHN & JAMES FEEMSTER, executors

1804

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In the name of God Amen.

I **JOSEPH FEEMSTER** of York district and state South Carolina being of perfect mind and memory, thanks be to God, but calling to mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die and after death the judgment do ordain it this my last will and testament. As touching such worldly Goods, wherewith it has pleased God to bless me in this life, I give and bequeath in the manner following:

1ST I given bequeath unto my wife **ELIZABETH** the following Negroes **ROREY**, **HANNA TOM** and **SUE**, and the horse Kind, Scot, Bond and her colt and old Bet, likewise all her cattle and their increase. Likewise all the household Furniture she brought with her, and also one bed and Furniture of her own choosing, and also my house and the old hundred and fifty acres of land to her behalf while she remains my Widow. Also my chest of drawers during her widowhood and afterward to be the property of my daughter **MARTHA**, and all the plantation tools I leave for the use of this Plantation and my son **JAMES**.

2ND I give and bequeath to my son **JOHN** the following Negros **JACOB**, **SALL** and her child **HARRY** and **JANE** likewise my old Blasingame horse.

3RD I give him bequeath to my son **JAMES** all the rest of my land the old hundred and fifty acres to be his when the aforementioned terms shall expire, likewise my wagons gears, and young Bett, Dick and also Eagle, the following Negroes viz: **JACK**, **VENICE** and her children **GEORGE**, **HANNA** and **JAKE**. Likewise my clock and desk.

4TH I give and bequeath to my daughter **MARTHA** the following Negroes **PHILLIS** and **SERENA** and to her daughter **CLERENDA** I bequeath my negro boy named **TYE**.

5TH I give him bequeath to my granddaughter **JENNY FEEMSTER** my Negro wench called **PHEB** and all my pewter and other shelf furniture to be equally divided between her and my granddaughter **AGNES FEAMSTER** daughter of **JOHN FEEMSTER** and my negro wench **MARIA** to be the property of my wife or any of my children, as said negro shall choose, and all my other property that is not bequeathed shall be equally divided in four shares and shall be given to my wife and my three children.

And I do hereby ordained and a point my two sons **JOHN FEEMSTER** and **JAMES FEEMSTER** to be executor of this my last will and testament.

As witness my hand and seal this 27th day of October 1804 and 29th year of American independence.

JOSEPH FEEMSTER {seal}

RICHARD INGRAM
ARCHIBALD SCOTT
JAMES LOVE

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South Carolina
York District

RICHARD INGRAM came before me and being duly sworn, as the law directs, say that he was present and saw **JOSEPH FEEMSTER** sign, seal, and declare that within instrument of writing his last will and testament, that he was in his right mind when he did so, and that **ARCHIBALD SCOTT** and **JAMES LOVE** were subscribing witnesses to the same.

June 1st 1805 **JAMES LOVE** made oath that he was present and was a witness to the signing and delivery of the within instrument in the presence of the deceased.

ALEXANDER MOORE, ordinary, York District

Sworn to before me May 6th 1805 qualified **JOHN FEEMSTER** and **JAMES FEEMSTER** executors.

May 6th 1805.

ALEXANDER MOORE, ordinary

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JOSEPH FEEMSTER will

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The property not especially mentioned in the last will of **JOSEPH FEEMSTER** amounted to \$8,568.65

JOHN FEEMSTER receive thereof
JAMES FEEMSTER received thereof
THOMAS NEELY receive thereof
MRS. FEEMSTER receive thereof

To be divided into four equal each will be \$142.16

JOHN FEEMSTER has received more than his equal share
JAMES FEEMSTER has received more than his share
THOMAS NEELY has received less than his share
MRS. FEEMSTER less than her share

There is to be paid to **THOMAS NEELY** in the whole
and to **MRS. FEEMSTER**

The last two items are all they are entitled to of the property not specified in the will and their share of the balance of XXX after the expenses of the estate are paid off.

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Cash in the hands of the executives JOSEPH FEEMSTER estate cash at the time of his death	\$160.50
Notes then due by BRYAN less now paid	\$80.00
Interest	\$6.00

	\$146.50

Expenses to the ordinary **A. MOORE** Esquire as by receipts

Funeral expenses

DAVID LUCK Esquire swearing appraisers

Four appraisers each two days

Direct tax

State tax for 1805

JOHN FEEMSTER executor for days of estate

JAMES FEEMSTER executor 4 days ditto

Sworn to before me September 6th 1806.

Alexander Moore, ordinary

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An appraisement of
the estate of **JOSEPH FEEMSTER**
deceased recorded Book B
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JOHN FEEMSTER and **JAMES FEEMSTER** produced a receipt in full from under the hand of **THOMAS NEELY** one of the legatees of **JOSEPH FEEMSTER**, deceased, likewise from under the hand of **ELIZABETH FEEMSTER** for the sum of ... and full of her Legacy of said estate.

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JAMES FEEMSTER settlement of the estate of **JOSEPH FEEMSTER** deceased for the year 1805 as executor amount of estate as per inventory after deducting for support of the Widow and family in Provisions say 9 months.

Produced a receipt from under the hand of **ELIZABETH FEEMSTER**, widow of deceased and like & legatee acknowledging herself paid to the sum of specifically to her ... also the sum of ... of the undivided part of the said estate from **JOHN FEEMSTER** and **JAMES FEEMSTER** executor, dated May 10th 1805,

Likewise a receipt from under the hand of **THOMAS** and **CHARTHON NEELY** legatees acknowledging themselves to have received two Negroes, **PHILLIS** and **SERENA** at specifically devised as also the sum of ... of the undivided part of the said estate from **JOHN FEEMSTER** and **JAMES FEEMSTER**, executors.

Dated May 10th 1805.

Sworn to before me this June 3rd 1805.

ALEXANDER MOORE, ordinary York District