



## DEED OF GIFT

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| Name: Mary Pope Hutson                           | Elliott Hutson                            |
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**Description of Gift:**

Mahogany veneered and caned sofa with upholstered cushions (one of a pair), descended in the Aiken-Rhett family of Charleston

**Value of Gift:**

\$2,000

By my signature below I accept the following conditions and acknowledge reading any attached information.

Dated: 10.11.18

Donor/Agent

Date received: 10/10/18

Received by:

THE GIFT DESCRIBED ABOVE IS ACCEPTED FOR HISTORIC CHARLESTON FOUNDATION

By: Lauren Northup, Director of Museums  
Name/Title

Date: October 8, 2018

This donation agreement is between Historic Charleston Foundation, Inc. (hereafter HCF or the Foundation), and the donor listed on the front of this form (hereafter the Donor). It is the purpose of HCF to preserve and protect the historical, architectural and cultural character of Charleston and its environs and to educate the public about its history and the benefits that are derived from preservation. HCF collects, preserves and interprets original material relating to the Nathaniel Russell House, the Aiken-Rhett House, the Missroon House and their inhabitants. HCF also collects, preserves, and makes accessible to researchers books and other printed materials relating to historic preservation, architecture, decorative arts, and Charleston/South Carolina history; documents and illustrative material relating to the buildings in Charleston and the Lowcountry; and the institutional records of Historic Charleston Foundation. The items accepted become the property of HCF for the advancement of its purpose to promote greater understanding and appreciation of the history of the people of Charleston and its historic environs. Donation of the property listed on the front of this form is subject to the following conditions:

1. All items accepted by HCF become the property of HCF. The Foundation will consider these objects as unrestricted gifts which may be used in any manner deemed in the best interest of HCF as deemed by its authority.
2. The donor irrevocably and unconditionally gives, transfers, assigns to HCF all right, title and interest in, to, and associated with the items described on the face of this agreement insofar as the donor holds them.
3. It rests with the discretion of the administrators of the Foundation as to whether, for how long, and in what manner objects are exhibited to the public. Due to limited storage and exhibition space, HCF cannot promise the permanent exhibition of any item.
4. HCF is a nonprofit Corporation under the laws of the State of South Carolina and all gifts made to HCF are tax-deductible within the limits of the law. For tax purposes, Historic Charleston Foundation's Federal Identification Number is #57-6000599.

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Sofa, American, probably New York, circa 1830, mahogany veneer, having half-rolled crest rail, scroll handles on arms continuing into scroll leg on casters, having caned back and seat, fitted with one long back cushion and one long seat cushion; mate to the caned sofa in the Aiken-Rhett House

Dimensions: Length 79-1/2, height 34, depth 29-1/2 inches

Condition: Minor loss of veneer, caning in good condition, a sheet of plywood has been inserted under the caned seat for support

Provenance: This sofa and its mate were purchased by Governor William Aiken and his wife, Harriet Lowndes Aiken for use in their home at 48 Elizabeth Street in Charleston, SC. The home, now referred to as the Aiken-Rhett House, is owned and operated by Historic Charleston Foundation as a historic house museum interpreting the lives of the Aiken family. The sofa has descended directly through the family to the current owner.

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