

In the name of God Amen. I John Vernon of the State of
Virginia and County of Fayette being in perfect mind and
memory do constitute and appoint this my last will and
testament revoking all other will or wills heretofore made by me
I commit my soul into the hands of him who gave it me my body
to the earth to be buried in a Christian like manner at the discretion
of my Executors hereafter mentioned after my just debts and funeral
charges are paid. I do give and bequeath unto my dear and beloved
wife Martha Vernon all my personal estate during her life and when
but in case she should marry then it is my desire she should have
nothing more than the law allows her excepting the plantation
whereon she now lives which she is to have during her life time
and after her death to descend to my youngest son David.
It is also my desire that my son John keep the negro boy that he
has named Jack, also my Daughter Franky has had a
negro and each of them a tin pence horse. And it is also my
desire that the rest of my Children as they marry or become of
age or so soon afterwards as young negroes can be raised to half
equal value to those already given my Children with a tin pence
horse. And at my wifes decease all my personal estate to be equally
divided amongst my name Children excepting one fourth due
without an heir his part to descend to the heirs the fifteen
hundred and fifty acres of land in my name on the North Side
of the Rappahannock of all pieces of which Robert Adams is to have
three hundred John Adams two hundred acres and John Vernon one
hundred to be laid off in such a manner that the whole Adams
may have justice if any part of the said land should be lost
to the Adams Adams and Vernon to have their just proportion

and the residue of the said land with all the lands that she
acquire to me to be equally divided amongst my five children for the
money due to me from my Father's estate it is my desire may be
laid off in the purchase of young negro or negroes. I do constitute
Philip Bush son John Vernon son and Thacker Vernon with my
beloved wife Martha Vernon Executors this twenty fourth day of May
one thousand seven hundred and eighty nine
John ^{his} Vernon
John ^{his} Vernon
Philip Bush
Partly Annan

Fayette County April Court 1805
This attested Copy of the last will and Testament of John Vernon
deceased was this day produced in Court and ordered to be recorded
the Original together with the record having been destroyed by
fire
Teste Geo. Hays C. J.

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Inventory of the estate of Nicholas Berry deceased				George Estate
1	parcel of ground de testat. b. hundred containing half of	1	8	0
2	parcel of George Chisels and August 8/9. Crop cut for 12/	1	0	9
3	breeding hocks of a pair of the Hensons 1/6	1	0	1
4	1 Broad ax 10/ one falling ax 8/ one iron kettle and bail 21 50	2	3	0
5	1 do 16/ 1 small pot and bail of 1 old pot and bail 3/	1	0	0
6	1 Dutch Arm of one old tea kettle of one lake iron 4/	0	15	0
7	one old spring pan of one broken pot of old mallow 1/6		13	6
8	one half bushel 2/6 one big chain 4/6 brought true iron 2/	1	11	6
9	one set of smithing tools of one do iron 1/6		1	11
10	one do. of the same tools of one fourth part 2 1/2. R. 1/2 do 1/2 2	6	4	0
11	two pair of old chains and hinges 1/2 two brass Chains 2/4	0	16	9