

In the name of God Amen This 2^d day of April in the year of our Lord 1803 I Robert Linnick of the County of Heckenburg in the State of N. Y. being at present & long in a declining situation but of a perfect sound mind & memory Thanks be to God Recalling to mind my mortality & that it is appointed unto all men to die I come before you my last will & testament First recommending soul to my Father God who gave it my body to the earth to be buried in a Christian manner without doubt in full reliance on same yet at the general resurrection by the mighty power of God, and as touching such worldly estate as God hath blessed me with in this life I give devise & bequeath in the following manner To wit It is my Will & I desire that all my Just debts that I owe either in right or conscience be paid & satisfied with my several expenses by my Executors hereafter named.

Now I give & bequeath to my loving wife Ann the plantation where
 I now live known by the name of Myrtil & Lion Hill with the
 inclosed house & all other there on said Land, during her
 widowhood with the following Negroes Daphney, Mary, Jim
 Allen, & Will with a pair of carriage horses, carriage & harness
 complete, & all the necessary saddle & bridle, & harness
 & trappings with a sufficiency of farming implements, two beds
 furniture & wardrobe belonging with the & a great stock of the
 cloth with all the furniture that it contains during her
 widowhood four cows of her own choosing, two trunks of her
 own choosing, her large dressing glass & a new watch & a new
 watch & a new watch for life to the one hundred dollars yearly
 as long it amounts to old debts by instalment, the debt on
 Negroes viz Daphney, Mary, Jim, Allen & Will to be at her
 own disposal but their offspring to descend as shall hereafter
 be directed all except the said house & except the Negroes to be
 to be sold & paid of by her or her heirs, & the said house &

Then I gave her, with 25 cents into my son & my my plantation
 that lies on the east side of the river in Lincoln County
 known by the name of John's with the Pellam & Beaverdam
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to leave my last will & testament recommending soul to my loving God who gave it my body to the earth to be buried in a Christian manner without doubt in but to receive the same again at the general resurrection by the mighty power of God, and as something truly worthy as late as God he has blessed me with in this life I give herein I require in the following manner I term viz It is my will & desire that all my last debts that I owe within right or conscience be paid & satisfied with my several expenses by my executors hereafter named.

Item I give & require to my loving wife Ann the plantation whereon I now live known by the name of Mount Seabell is the the house & house & all other there on said land during her widowhood with the following negroes Daphney, Mason, Jimmy, Steven, & Will with a pair of horses, a pair of mules & a pair of oxen, & all the now said cattle & all the household goods & fixtures with a sufficiency of farming implements, two beds & furniture & all things belonging with the except that stands in the shed with all the furniture that it contains during her widowhood four cows of her own choosing, two trunks of her own choosing, her large dressing glass & also with a metal watch & money & all for life to the one hundred dollars yearly or till it amounts to six dollars by instalment, the above negroes viz Daphney, Mason, Jimmy, Steven & Will to be at her own disposal but their offspring to descend as shall hereafter be directed all except the said house except & the negroes to be disposed of by her or as she shall see proper, & in this case I give & require to my son Henry my plantation that lies on the west side of the road to me in Lincoln County known by the name of Greenwood farm with Pellam & Beaverdam Tract the whole supposed to be 600 acres with all the appurtenances belonging to the said land including all stock on the same with the half of all benefits arising from the fishery on the East side of said river with a tract of land on the East side of said river as before mentioned Mount Seabell at my wife's marriage.

on death with a boat of Lard known by the name of Givens boat
if not needed to defray debt, with my Desk & all the books therein or
that there to belong, two beds & furniture, all my Navigation Instru-
ments, my Arms viz two cases of Pistols, two guns & a sword with all
my hand saw instruments, a good clock & other complements, seven
lots in timber with on the Yachin river & two lots in Abascoony
upper River will appear a good horse Carriage & harness with a
negro boy named Jack Exclusion of his share of others with all my
jewelry, apparel & house furniture & to his heirs forever —

Then I give & bequeath the Vest over unto my loving daughter Ann. Epps.
 the following Tracts of Land lying & being on the east side of
 the Lawrence River in Hertford County known by the name of Dandricks
 Dandricks & McMillens Tracts with an additional entry Land
 my Machines here with all the Appurtenances belonging to the
 said Land containing near 800 Acres, with two beds & furniture
 thereunto belonging with the half of all plate & China at my wife's
 Marriage or Decese one Negro Wench named Bet & a small
 Wench named Violet at her mother's Decese & in case the said Ann
 Epps should Decese before she arrives to mature age that then
 & in that case all above mentioned is to descend to my son Henry
 And it is my Will & pleasure that my said Daughter be provided
 with a saddle horse saddle & Bridle complete with all above
 mentioned to her & her heirs forever.

Item. 1/2 lb. & 1/2 pence to my brother James, for shillings the long
✓ to be received out of my estate 5/6

✓ I have found a lot of my old letters. 5p

I have I suppose the 4 my mother found, but she always thought
 I had sent her a copy of the 1st. I have not.

to be allowed out of my whole - 5¢

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my clock, some instrument, a good clock & other implements, from
this in kind her will on the Yashin river & two lots in Montanary
as per Record will appear aged horse carriage & harness with a
negro boy named Jack Exclusion of his share of others with all my
jewelry apparel & house furniture & to his heirs forever —

Item I give & bequeath that over unto my loving daughter Ann Ephs.
the following Tracts of Land lying & being on the east side of
Catawba river in Pickens County known by the name of Drankins
Hendricks & all Mouldenbrucks with an additional entry join-
ing & making line with all the appurtenances belonging to the
said land containing near 800 acres, with two beds & furniture
thereof belonging with the help of all plate & China at my wife's
Marriage or Decese one Negro woman named Bet & a male child
woman named Violet at her mother's death & in case the said Ann
Ephs should Decese before she arrives to mature age that then
& in that case all above mentioned is to descend to my son Henry
also it is my will & pleasure that my said Daughter be furnished
with a saddle horse saddle & bridle complete with all above
mentioned to her & her heirs forever —

Item I give & bequeath to my Brother James five Shillings Sterling
to be paid out of my estate — 5s

Item I give & bequeath to my Brother William five Shillings Sterling
to be paid out of my estate — 5s

Item I give & bequeath to my Brother John five Shillings Sterling
to be paid out of my estate — 5s

Item I give & bequeath to my Brother Henry five Shillings Sterling
to be paid out of my estate — 5s

Item It is my will & pleasure that the Box of silver to Robert & others
has made, and have not before mentioned and remain in the
hands of my loving wife until marriage or she shall, or an
affliction to which must be as full as eye, as it is fitting
my wife & any one children should be my wife & children that
the thing is that is now in hand is a debt of to be paid when
to be in order to help to discharge my estate, and the obligations
that is now in hand & to be paid in full as soon as possible

and debt charged there with and if any Receipts should be
 the same to be put on Interest, as the use of, holding my two
 children but in case there should be any Indifference for the above
 discharge it is my will & desire & pleasure to be so, It is my
 further will & pleasure that the said principal should be in Richmond
 in the State of Virginia in the Year 1783 to be removed to Raleigh
 in the State of Carolina & the Interest arising from said sum
 to be put to the use of my children but the interest should prove
 insufficient, for that purpose the principal to be made use of
 for the same but if the Interest of said sum which is near
 £2000 should be sufficient for the above purpose that
 then I am that it is my will that the principal shall not be
 drawn until my son Henry comes of age which I am to witness
 it may be it to be at my disposal till my will & pleasure then
 one of my Executors apply to the said William in Richmond Virginia
 which both the money and the said sum should be in his hands
 and if the said William will make any recovery on the
 Judgment in Chancery he shall sue against Lately Wardrobe
 & others & I intend on complete estate if the whole or any part can
 be obtained by the expense paid to be put on Interest, as the use of
 my children with the principal & then I am to witness with &
 pleasure that the remaining residue not before mentioned belong
 my to my estate to be paid under the direction of my
 Executors during my wife's life & to be paid to my
 son Henry comes of age then & after that I am to witness as follows
 one third to my son & one third to my daughter & the Negroes
 to be put out on hire in case my wife should die, upon the
 said son Henry comes to mature age I am to witness from
 said hire to be put on Interest & which is as much as I am to witness
 in direction of Negroes including the offspring of those mentioned
 to my wife & until her death & then my last will & pleasure
 I appoint my living wife & her Executors by Charles Harris Esq
 to the said Thomas & Peter Esqs of the State of Virginia Sen Esqs & my Executors
 of this my last will & pleasure to be put on Interest & to be made use of
 for the same purpose as before mentioned

in the State of Virginia in the County of Albemarle by Raleigh
in the State of Carolina & the Interest arising from said Sum
to be put to the use of my children & the said interest should prove
insufficient for that purpose the principal to be made use of
for the same but of the Interest of said Sum which is near
2000 dollars in a Paper signed, in the above premises that
then I do that it is my will that the principal should not be
drawn until my son Henry comes of age to which I do not know
it may be 10 or 12 or 15 years I do my will & pleasure that
one of my Executors apply to the Court in Richmond Virginia
which hath the money and if a Justice sitting in his hands
and if the said Richman hath made any recovery on the
Judgment in Chancery to be set down against Lecky Wardrobe
& others I intend on complete estate if the whole or any part can
be obtained to the extent said to be put on Interest, for the use of
my children to the same purpose as if my last will & pleasure
that the remaining negroes not before mentioned belong
ing to my estate be sold and the proceeds of my
Executors during my wife's widowhood and after death of my
son Henry comes of age then a division to be made of all
the third to my son & one third to a Daughter said negroes
to be put out on hire in case my wife should marry, upon the
said son Henry comes to mature age I do my will & pleasure from
said hire to be put on Interest & which is as a new man bond
in direction of negroes including the offspring of those men then
to my wife until her death in execution of this my last will & pleasure
I appoint my loving wife & her Executors by Charles Carter Esq
to wit Thomas & Peter Esqs of the State of Virginia Son & my Executors
of this my last will & pleasure to be my Executors & my Executors
former wills I request by my hands to be made either by word or
Deed & my Executors to be my last will & pleasure
Signed sealed & transmitted Charles by the hands
Charles Conner and his wife Elizabeth
Witness of
William Broome
The Clerk of the Court