

In the name of God Amen August 4th 1703

I James Ewel of Accomack County in Virginia being Sick and
weak in body but of sound and perfect memory thanks be to
God for it I am and knowing the uncertainty of this life do give
to settle all my affairs of worldly matters in such good forme and
amper order that nor dispute hours after may alter or make void
I therefore fore I doe make this my last will and
testament utterly excluding and making void
marly made alowing and ratifying this to stand unquaradable
and undisputable as my last will and testament = and first and
primarily I doe bequeire my soule into the hand of Almighty God
my heavenly father aforsaidly believing that I shall receive full
pardon and remission for all my sins by y^e meritt and merits
of Iesus Christ my Lord and saviour and my body to y^e earth from
whence it was taken and for such worldly goods as I have in money hath
lent me my wil and meaning is that the same shall be bestowed
employed as ity hour after in this my last wil nominated and
expressed

Item

I give & bequeire to my loving wife Anne al y^e east wren end of my
dwelling house in which this caree & al that part of y^e house from
top to bottom and al y^e furniture that doth belong to that part of my
house two beds & three furniture onely excepted and y^e to be
posses by her nealoungers then during her naturall life I doe
alsoe give to my w^{ife} this particularly her naturall life I doe
chaunce out of y^e hable wth the wil chuse and al the s^{er}vice cash and
one young mare and one old mare named tob with al there
increase and alsoe an orfan boy c^{old} Thomas and one man servant
named noale & y^e whole s^{er}vise for her use and one bed and furniture
& al y^e posses belonging to the kitchen come from pot and
k^{itch}en & f^{urn}ing pan and f^{urn}ing p^{an} & al such cattol as I have not
other way disposed of al which I give to my w^{ife} for ever
for my s^{er}vil coat plowes s^{er}vil w^oddges & al other tools & utensils
that so p^{er}son my wil is that during y^e naturall life of my w^{ife}
they remaine in comon betweene my w^{ife} & george Ewel & my w^{ife}
Ewel & for my son george Ewel my wil and meaning is that my
w^{ife} and my son Mark shal maintaine him dure his life & alsoe
give him every year one s^{er}venty gillion cash of s^{er}vise and that
al y^e s^{er}vise upon my plantation shal be in comon
betweene my son mark and my w^{ife} during her life and if
my w^{ife} have the use of halfe my plantation during
her life

Item

I give and bequeire to my son mark Ewel and his heires for ever
al my Land and plantation to him and his heires of his owne
body lawfully begotten my w^{ife} titel onely excepted s^{er}vise given
such house furniture as is not otherwise disposed of by this my
wil I give to my daughter patience Ewel s^{er}vise four hundred
pounds of tobacco & alsoe two good young cows and calves and alsoe
thirty shillings to buy her arings

Item

I give to my daughter Anne Ewel s^{er}vise and five shillings to buy
her arings and alsoe three ewes and two thousand pounds of tobacco

Item

I give to my son Sollomon Ewel my wearing clothes and a p^{ai}re
of pistols which are at Baggaills and alsoe two thousand pounds of
tobacco to be now paid and three thousand more to be paid all
my w^{ife} doore and I doe now give him one young horse aboute two
years old I give to my daughter Comfort Tatham three ewes
and I give to my granddaughters Jane Tatham three ewes I alsoe
give to my granddaughters Tabitha Tatham two ewes to be delivered
next may

Item

I give to my son Charles Ewel five shillings
and I doe constitute and apointe my son mark Ewel to be my
sole and onely executor to this to this my last wil and testament
and he to pay al my Just and Lawfull debts and p^{er}forme
my contracts and al so to receive al such debts as are due
to me and to pay al my Legations and soe if Lord Iesus Christ
receaue the soule of me

one of y^e two beds and furniture accepted out of my w^{ife} end of y^e
house I give to my daughter patience which she wil chuse & y^e
other bed and furniture is given to my daughter Anne
in case of the mortallity of mark y^e then Sollomon shal
posses his place in this my wil as executor of this my last wil &
testament

witness h^{er}eto

John Drumond

Robert Norton

William Willot

Sarah Ryley her } mark

James Ewel } mark

John Drumond, one of y^e witnesses to y^e within last will and Testament came into Court and took y^e Test as a Quaker
Robert Norton William Willet & Sarah Zily likewise
came into Court and made oath that they saw y^e said
James Ewell sine seal and publish this to be his
last will and Testament June 7th 1704

Test: Robt. Mearl (C. Cur)

Recorded July 7th 1703 y^r Robt. Mearl (C. Cur)

In y^e name of god amon I W^m Bonston being Sick and weak of body
but of sound and perfect memory thank be to the almighty God for
the same and through the meritorious death and passion of our Saviour Ioseph
Christ I give bequeath as followeth. Imprimis. Doe give and bequeath
unto my well beloved Son Alexander Bonston a piece of Land beginning at a
Bever dam called the great Bever damme running wth a Line due
South from thence running upon the Branch toke up^r S^{id} of the valley
above the plantation running Sotherly to the bound to him and his heirs
for ever. Item Doe give and bequeath unto my well beloved Son W^m Bon for
a piece of Land beginning at the valley and including the Branch up to David
Hazard to him and his heirs for ever. Item Doe give and bequeath unto
my well beloved Son Ambrose Bonston a piece of Land beginning at y^e
wst end of bound and for running to the great the dam called the great
Bever dam to him and his heirs for ever. Item Doe give and bequeath
unto my Son in Law Es^r James a piece of Land beginning at the valley and
for running up the to the great Bever dam for the space and terme of
y^e 21 years and the 21st Es^r James is to have benefit of what timber he shall
have occasion for the use of the plantation out of y^e swamp for the about
said term of eight years: And for the swamp Doe leave for the use of my
these Sons for timber. Item Doe give and bequeath unto my Dear and Law
-ful wife all my real and personall Estate to her and heirs for ever and
Doe appoint and ordaine my truly and well beloved wife Rebecca Bonston
to be whole and sole Executrix of my personall Estate only paying unto
my two daughters Es^r Rich^d and Elisabeth Rich^d twelve pence a piece
of this my last will and testament and for the true performance
hereof I have hereunto put my hand and fixed my Seal this 17th Day
of October one thousand Seven hundred and three 1703 - - - -
Signed Sealed and Delivered
in the presence of us - - -

William Bonston, Sin^g

John Bonson
Henry Richy
John A. Gillet
mark

Henry Richy and John Gillet witnesses to y^e above
last will and testament of W^m Bonston
came into Court and made oath that they saw
y^e W^m Bonston sine seal and publish
y^e a true and correct copy of his last will and testament
August 7th 1704 Test: Robt. Mearl (C. Cur)

Recorded August 7th 1704

Robt. Mearl (C. Cur)

To the Worshipfull William Fests Gont and his Associates Es^r
Maties Justices of the Peace for the County of Attomack in Court
now sitting
The humble Petitioner of Edward Bonwick Es^r Petitioner humbly
Prays he may be admitted to Practise as an Att^y in this Court
and that this Petition may be recorded and y^e Petitioner as
in duty shall every pray &c

Recorded by order of Court by y^e request of W^m Edward Bonwick
August 7th 1704 y^r Robt. Mearl (C. Cur)