

In the Name of God Amen I James Benstene being at present in a very Weak and low Condition of health but of A perfect memory and understanding (blessed be Almighty God for the Same) and well knowing it is appointed to all Men to dye to prevent all disputes that after my Death may happen concerning what worldly Estate it has pleased God to bestow upon me I have made this my last Will and Testament in manner following Imp^{rs}. I give & bequesth my Soul into the hands of Almighty God my Creator & my body I give to the Earth from whence it was taken therein to be decently Interr'd at the discretion of my Executrix hereafter named Item I give to my loving Wife Elizabeth all my Lands & tenements whatsoever during her natural life & after her death to such Child as she now goes with if she should be with Child or to any Child that she shall goe with at my death be it male or female and to the heirs or assigns for ever of such Child but if she should not be with Child now or at my Death then I

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Executed by James Benstene as his last Will and)

James Bensten (/s/)

Testament in presence of)

Geo: Douglas

At a Court held for Accomack County the 6th day of August

Robert Pitts

1734.

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Executed by James Benstene as his last Will and) James Bensten (ff)

Testament in presence of

Geo: Douglas

Robert Pitte

John Pitte Jun^r

At a Court held for Accomack County the 6th day of August
1734.

The within last Will & testament of James Bensten dece^d
was proved in open Court by the Oath of Robert pitte &
John Pitte jun^r two of the witnesses to the same & admitted
to record.

Test:)

) Jn^o Jackson CL: Cur.

Recorded Test:)

This indenture made this Second Day of September in the Eighth Year of the reign of our
Sovereign Lord George the Second by the Grace of God of Great Brittain firrance & Ire-
land King Defender of the ffaith &c. Annoq Domini Seventeen hundred & thirty four

Between Nathaniel Tunnel & Edward Tunnel Sons of Nathaniel Tunnel late of Accomack County

In Obedience to an order of Court bearing date the Day of Feb^{ry} 1734 we the Subscribers have been and Inventoried and appraised the Estate of James Benston Dec^d as followeth

To 1 horse s-----	2 " 10 " 0
To 1 Cow & yearling s-----	1 " 5 " 0
To 1 Cow with calf s-----	1 " 0 " 0
To 2, 2 Year olds s 9 ^s /-----	0 " 18 " 0
To 6 Sows & pigs s-----	2 " 5 " 0
To 1 Sow & 1 Bore s-----	0 " 10 " 0
To 2 HWS s-----	0 " 8 " 0
To 656 ^{lb} of pork s 7 ^s / p hundred-----	2 " 5 " 11
To half s Set of Coopers tools s-----	0 " 10 " 0
To half s Set of Carpenters tools-----	0 " 10 " 0
To 1 Gun-----	1 " 0 " 0
To 1 pot wt 24 ^{lb} s /3 ^d p-----	0 " 6 " 0
To 18 ^{lb} pewter new s /16 ^d -----	1 " 7 " 0
To 1 frying pan s-----	0 " 2 " 6
To 1 Saddle & bridle s-----	0 " 10 " 0
To 2 new dowskins s-----	0 " 4 " 0
To s Skin of upper Leather s-----	0 " 3 " 0
To s new Linnen wheel s-----	0 " 15 " 0
To s pair of Silver Shoe buckles-----	0 " 10 " 0
To Cash-----	2 " 13 " 6
To 7 files s-----	0 " 4 " 0

Item	Quantity	Unit	Value
1 pair of Silver Shoe Buckles	0	"10	"0
1 Cash	2	"13	"6
7 files	0	"4	"0
1 brass Cock	0	"0	"6
1 feather bed & bolster & 1 pillow	2	"13	"0
1 new box Iron	0	"5	"0
1 new Rug	1	"5	"0
1 pair blankets & 12 ⁸ / One old Sheet & /6 ^d	0	"12	"6
1 old Rug 5 ⁸ / To 1 new felt hat 2 ⁸ / 1 old D ^o	0	"8	"6
1 new Suit of Cloaths	2	"0	"0
1 old Suit D ^o	1	"0	"0
1 Small box lock & key /6 One Small round box & /6	0	"3	"0
1 pair of mittings & 1/ to 2 pair of Stockens	0	"2	"6
2 Razors & 1/ & 1 hone 2/6	0	"3	"6
1 Arithmetick book 1/ And 1 bag & 3/	0	"4	"0
2 Glass bottles & 3/ One Small iron Kettle	0	"2	"9
1 new Washing tub 1/8 To 1 Beasted & corded	0	"4	"2
1 flag'd chair	0	"1	"6
1 Sley new	0	"3	"0

1 Slay new s----- 0 * 3 * 0

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To a Stone Jug s----- 0 * 1 * 0

W^m Beavans

Joseph Benston

Jn^o Pitts

At a Court held for Accomack County the 4th Day of January 1736

This Inventory of the Estate of James Benston Dec^d was returned to Court & ordered to
be recorded.

Test:)

) Jn^o Jackson CL: CLK:

recorded Test:)

Accomack SS: Virginia

Know all men by these presents that I Geo: Kelly of the abovesaid County have ordained