

Coffey
Will

In the name of God Amen this Thirtieth day of March and in the year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy four, I John Coffey of Allumale County & Parish of St. James in the County of Virginia Yeoman, being weak in body but of Perfect mind & Memory thanks be given unto God, therefore falling unto mind the Mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to Die I make & Adm this my last will & Testament that it to say Principally & first of all I give & Recommend my Soul unto the hands of Almighty God that gave it & My body I Recommend to the Earth to be buried in a Decent manner at ye discretion of my Executors, nothing doubting but at the general Resurrection I shall Receive the Same by the Almighty power of God, and as Touching such worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me with in this life I give & Devise & Dispose of the Same in the following manner & form Impressed Forth that my Just Debts & Funeral Charges be first Paid out of the whole Item I give & Bequeath to my Sons James Coffey & William Coffey to Each of them five Shillings Sterling.

Item I Give to my Dearly beloved wife Jean Coffey during her Widowedhood the Best of my Estate Real & Personal, and at the End of her widowedhood to be Equally Divided among the Best of my Children Viz, Thomas Coffey, John Coffey, Edmund Coffey, Paulin Coffey & Benjamin Coffey, Minnie Moran & Betty Ford, and the Above Estate to be Sold at the Said Term of time

Item I Give Thomas Coffey & Benjamin Coffey as my Executors and I do hereby utterly Disallow, Revoke and disannul all & every other former will and Testament, Legacies & Bequeaths and Executors in any wise before named & Bequeathed, Ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last will and Testament, In Witnes whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal the Day & Year above written

Signed Sealed, published pronounced and delivered John Coffey
by the said John Coffey as his last will and Testament in presence of us the Subscribers
Chas. Batrick
Alex. Craig

At Allumale March 30th 1775

This will was presented to Court & proved by the Oath of the Witnesses thereto and Ordered to be Recorded and upon the Motion of Benjamin & Thomas Coffey Executors therein named who made Oath according to Law Certificate was granted them for obtaining a probat in due form on their giving Security whereupon they gave Bond with Charles Batrick & James Garland their Sureties and Acknowledged it accordingly

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John Nicholas Cllk