

At about hals for Amelias County the 27 day of February 1772
This Will was proved by the Oaths of George Rowlett
Peter Webster Jur and Elizabeth Webster three of the
Witnesses thereto sworn to by Richard Vasper the Executor
therein named and ordered to be recorded And on Motion
of the said Executor who entered into Bond Certificate for
obtaining a Probate in due form was granted him

Test

John Child De

In the name of God Amen I Joshua Hightower,
of the Parish of Stottoway and County of Amelia being Aged and
Infirm but of perfect memory and senses thanks be to —
Almighty God for the same calling to mind the Mortality of my
body and knowing that it is ordained for all men to die & after
That the Judgment I do in my proper senses and deliberately
make and ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner
and form following Viz I lend to my loving Wife Susannah
Hightower during her life the Plantation & the use of the
small room in my House and also lend the following
Negroes during her life Viz George Sarah & Old Mary and the
Tools they work with I also lend her during life all my
Household and Kitchen Furniture except the Bed Furniture
my son Charnel commonly lie on Stem I give and bequeath
to my loving son Charnel Hightower the Tract of Land I now
live on and all the Appurtenances therunto belonging to him
and his heirs forever (only his Mother is to have during life
the Plantation & the other thing before bequeathed her) I also
give and bequeath to him the following Negroes and their
Increase to him and his heirs forever Viz Winney & Sarah
after the death of his Mother I also give him a Feather Bed
with all the Furniture belonging to it I give and bequeath
to my loving son Joseph Hightower two Negroes and their
Increase Viz Abba and James to him and his heirs forever
Item I give and bequeath to my loving son Rob.^d Hightower
two Negroes and their Increase Viz Simon and Judah

to him and his heirs for ever Item I give and bequeath
to my loving son Tammor Hightower two Negroes viz
Patt & Jacob and their Increase to him and his heirs
for ever Item I give and bequeath to my loving Son -
Eraphrositus Hightower three Negroes and their Increase
viz Adam Lucy and Nanna to him and his heirs for ever
Item I give and bequeath to my loving Grandson Joshua
Hammond a Negro Girl Abba (the daughter of the woman
Winney) and her Increase to him and his heirs for ever
Item I give and bequeath to my loving Grandson John -
Hammond a Negro Girl named Betty and her Increase
to him and his heirs for ever Item I give and bequeath to
my loving Grandson Joshua Thorn a Negro Boy named
Charles to him and his heirs for ever Item I lend the use
of a Negro Wench named Eris and her Increase to my
Daughter Katherine Thorn during her life and after her
decease my will and desire is that Eris and her children
be then equally Divided amongst the sons of my Daughter
Thorn except Joshua who is to have Charles the son of
Eris I give the said Negroes to them and their heirs
for ever I give and bequeath to my son in law William
Jones two Negroes viz John and Jenny & her Increase
to him and his heirs for ever I also give him the Wench
Old May after the death of my Wife to him and his
heirs for ever Item I give and bequeath to my loving
Gran Daughter Katherine Hammond a Cow and calf
to have and to hold to her and her heirs for ever
Item I give and bequeath to my loving son Joseph
Hightower after the decease of my Wife the fellow
George to him and his heirs for ever Item I give
and bequeath to my loving Gran Daughter Agnes
Hightower a Negro Boy named Ned to her and her
heirs for ever My will and desire is that if either
of my children die without an heir of their body
lawfully begotten that what I give them be equally
divided between the rest of my children that are living
and to them and their heirs for ever Item my Will
and

and desire is that if either of my Grand sons John or Joshua Hammond die without heir of their body lawfully that then their Estate that I have bequeathed them be equally divided amongst their Sisters the Daughters of Ann Hammond Item my Will and desire is that if any of my Children die without an heir of their body lawfully begotten that then what I have given them be equally divided amongst the rest of my Children that are alive and to their heirs for ever Item my will and desire is that no part of my Estate be Appraised and that there be only an Inventory thereof returned to the Court & do by their presents Appoint my loving son Charnel Hightower & my son in law William Jones my whole and sole Exrs of this my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this Twelfth day of May 1770

Signed Sealed &
Acknowledged before
Stephen Cocke
Thomas Clarke
Henry Clarke

Joshua ^{his} Hightower & Co
Mark

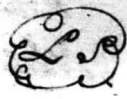
At a Court held for Amelia County the 27th day of February 1772
This Will was proved by the Oaths of Stephen Cocke and Henry Clarke two of the Witnesses thereto sworn to by Charnel Hightower and William Jones the Executors therein named and Ordered to be Read and on Motion of the said Executors who entered into Bond as the law directs Certificate for obtaining a Probate in due form was granted them

Test-

John Price De

John Scott have with my own hand wrote this my last
Will and Testament and have hereunto set my hand
this 4th day February 1770.

Test.

John Scott 

Walter Bennett
Joseph Scott
Fran Dwy

At about held for Amelia County the 23 day of July 1772
This Will was proved by the Oaths of Walter Bennett
and Joseph Scott two of the Witnesses thereto sworn to by
Alexander Trent George Farrington Junr and Jacob
Williamson three of the Executors therein named and it
appearing to be wholly written by the decedent's own hand
Ordered to be Recorded And on motion of the said
Executors who entered into Bond & Certificate for obtaining
a probate in due form was granted them

Test

John Price De

A Inventory of the Estate of Joshua Hightower de
taken by the Executors April 28th 1772, to wit
Mary Sarah Winney Lucy Criss George Simon Pat
John Susith Davis Betty Nan Abba Mrs Adam
James Jacob Charles Peter Charles six shillings each
five Feather beds four with furniture & 1 without one
cupboard three Cheests two small Trunks seven chairs
eleven Coffee cups a Tea pot & Tea Kettle a Coffee pot
half doz Tea Spoons two Tea cups & Saucers a half dozen
Dishes one & a half dozen shallow plates three Soup plates
three Pottle Basins & three quart d. a half doz Spoons
three pounds of old pewter a pepper box a Salt Sett
two Delf Bowls five Tin pans a Spice mortar & pestle
a Tin Funnel a Point pot a looking glass three Iron
Pots & Hooks a frying pan a Iron Skillet a Box Iron
& Hesters four Knives & Forks a Razor a Stone a Pair

of allony scales two candles stands a half doz. Stone Jug
 a Water Pitcher a quart Mug a pair of Steady Iron Pottles
 three narrow Axes three Plough hoes three Gaubing hoes
 three narrow hoes five broad hoes a gun two Iron Mugs
 a pair of fire tongs two Iron Spits a pair of Sheep Shares
 a pair small Shares Eleven pound & half of Bar Iron
 three pound $\frac{1}{2}$ of Steel a lantern a crop cut Saw a Whip
 Saw two small Tubs one cask a Washing Tub a spoon Adz
 three Bells a Mans Saddle & Bridle a Womans Saddle
 a Bible Testament & Prayer Book a Pack Saddle a Suit
 of Cloaths a Hat a pair of Iron two Cloath Brushes
 eighteen grown Cattle two Yearlings four Calves thirty six
 Hogs eight old Sheep and five Lambs a still nine Raw
 Cow hides a pair of Cart Wheels a Spining Wheel Harrow
 a flesh fork twenty Geese a Horse & Mare a Grindstone
 a Sugar box two Butter Pots a Slate two Wheat Sifters
 Eleven Barrels of Corn Eighteen Bushels of Wheat a side of
 Leather as witness our hands

Will Jones H

At a court held for Amelia County the 23 day of July 1772
 This Inventory of the Estate of Joshua Hightower
 was returned & ordered to be Recorded

Test
 John Price De

Appraisement of the remains of Geo. Vaughan Esq. at
 3 Pails & a Tub of 2 small Trunks of 2ellual bags 2/ 14
 1689 Tobacco Casks 16 18
 17 12

Nathl. Robertson William Radock
 John Bessly

At a court held for Amelia County the 27 day of August 1772
 This further Inventory & Appraisement of the Estate of
 George Vaughan decd was returned and ordered to be
 Recorded
 Test John Price De