

In the Name of God Amen I William Jordan of the County
of Amelia being in perfect memory and knowing it is ^(and) Ordained for all
men to Die First recommend my Soul to God, and my body to the
Earth, as to Worldly Goods & Chattels I give and bequeath in manner
and form Following first of all my Will and desire is that my debts
and Funeral Charges be paid by my Executors hereafter mentioned
I then I give and bequeath the use of my Plantation whereon I now live
to my Loving wife Mary Jordan together with the following negroes -
Lawney, Peter, Sal, Hannah, & Kate also my Stock of every kind
which I Stock, & Furniture she is hereby directed to divide among
my Children in such a manner as she thinks best & proper but
after her decease my Will and desire is that the negroes I have
bequeath her be equally divided amongst my Children except my
Loving Son Samuel Jordan who I bequeath one Shilling to, and my
daughter Elizth Ann - I then I give and bequeath to my loving
Son Tho^s Jordan one half of the Tract of Land I now live on including
the plantation he now lives on, it being the Upper part of the S^d Tract of
Land to be divided by a line extending North & South so as to Include
the said one half I also give and bequeath to him & his heirs for
ever the negroes Len and Amey and her present & future Increase
I then I give and bequeath to my Loving Son John Jordan two negroes
James and Pige to him and his heirs forever
I then I give and bequeath to my Loving daughter Mary Smith two
Negroes Charles and Deds and her Increase to her and her heirs forever
I then I give & bequeath to my loving Son Freeman Jordan two negroes
Phil and Fanny and her Increase to him & his heirs forever -
I then I give and bequeath to my loving daughter Susanna Jordan two
Negroes May and Wjoy and her Increase to her & her heirs forever
I then I give and bequeath to my loving Son Edward Jordan two negroes
Harry and Pabb & her Increase to him & his heirs forever . . .
I then I give and bequeath to my loving daughter Elizabeth Jordan
two negroes Rachel and Frank & Rachels future Increase to her &
her heirs forever - I then I give & bequeath to my Loving Son Benjⁿ
Jordan the other half of the Tract of Land I now live on including my
Mansion house & Orchards with all the Appurtenances belong to the
said Lower half it being the residue of the Tract of Land I have since

To my Son Tho^s Jordan I give the said other half of my said Son
and his heirs forever and also two negroes Bessy and Rose and
her increase to him and his heirs forever

Now I give and bequeath to my Loving Daughter Elizabeth
Ann one shilling and no more, — Now I give and bequeath
to my Loving wife Mary Jordan all the residue of my estate
of what kind or nature so ever and it is my Will & desire
that she shall out of some of the negroes I have given her
if any of my Children Tho^s, John, Mary, Freeman, Susanna
Edward, Elizabeth, Benjamin should be so unfortunate as to
Loose by death any or Either of the negroes I have given them
that in that case she in her discretion shall give them out of
the negroes I have given her one or as many as valuable
as that or them they shall so loose by death which they and
their heirs shall have forever, and it is further my desire
that the negroes I have given my Children that are under
Age shall remain with my Loving wife until my Children
either Marry or Arrive to the Age of twenty one years and I
Further desire Will & direct that my loving wife shall educate &
maintain my Children that are under age in the best manner
she can until they Arrive to twenty one years or Marry & that she
as soon as she can raise it out of her estate together with what I
now have after my debts are paid give my Sons Freeman and
Edward each of them twelve thousand pounds of Tobacco and that
she deliver the said Tobacco to my Executors or them after they arrive
to twenty one Years of Age to go towards purchasing of them a tract
of Land & my desire is that the negroes that my wife shall be in
possession of at her death be Equally divided amongst my Chil-
dren, Tho^s, John, Mary, Freeman, Susanna, Edward, Elizth
and Benjamin I do hereby Appoint my Loving Sons Tho^s Jordan
John Jordan & Freeman Jordan my whole & sole Ex^{rs} of this my
Last Will and Testament In witness whereof I have to these pre-
=sence set my hand & Seal this 17th May June 1779

Sealed & Delivered in presence of

She Booke
W^m Lewis

William Jordan