

Amelia County Wills 1734-1766
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I In the presence of my friends Amen I Dancy & family of Amelia County both make
this my last Will and Testament in manner and form as followeth

My Will is that if my Son John Standly lives to the age of Twenty one
Years that he have this Land and Plantation that I now live on in the
Amelia County. But in case my son John Standly should die before he
comes to that age Then I give my said Land to my son Wright Standly
to him and his Heirs for ever. I also give my son John Standly One
Horse and Saddle called by and one small Gun

I give and Bequeath to my son Dancy Standly One hundred acres of
Land lying in Dinwiddie County to him and his Heirs for ever but if
my said son Dancy should chance to die before the age of Twenty one
and leaves no Issue Then I Give my said Land to my son Wright Standly
to him and his Heirs for ever I also Give my son Dancy & Standly
one feather Bed of the Value of five pounds

I Give and Bequeath to my Daughter Susanah Peniston Standly
One Negro Girl named Annay and One feather Bed of the Value of
four pounds

I Give to my son Wright Standly One feather Bed of the Value of five
pounds. I do order and appoint One hundred pounds Current money
of Virginia to be let to Interest by my Executors for the term of fifteen years
taking undoubted Security at which time I do give the said money with
the amount of the Interest thereof to be equally divided between such of my
Children as shall be then living.

My Will is my loving Wife Elizabeth Standly shall have the use and
Profits of my whole Estate both real and Personall untill my son
John shall come to the age of twenty one years. She governing my
Children sufficient maintenance and good schooling

I also leave my loving Wife the use of two Negroes namely Betty and
Peter to be posset with them when my son John comes to the age
above said and when by said Wife shall depart this life. Then my
Will is that the said money and their increase be divided

House and Stable called for and one small Gun

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Land lying in Dinwiddie County to him and his Heirs for ever but if
my said son Dancy should chance to die before the age of Twenty one
and leaves no Issue then I give my said Land to my son Wright Standly
to him and his Heirs for ever I also give my son Dancy & Standly
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One Negro Girl named Amey and One feather Bed of the Value of
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pounds. I do order and appoint One hundred pounds Current money
of Virginia to be let to Interest by my Executors for the term of fifteen years
taking undoubted Security at which time I do give the said money with
the amount of the Interest thereof to be Equally divided between such of my
Children as shall be then living.

14 My Will is my loving Wife Elizabeth Standly shall have the Use and
Profits of my whole Estate both real and Personall untill my son
John shall come to the age of twenty one years. She giving my
Children sufficient Maintenance and good Schooling

15 I also leave my loving Wife the Use of two Negroes namely Betty and
Peter to be posset with them when my son John comes to the age
above said and when by said Wife shall depart this life. Then my
Will is that ~~their Negroes and their Increase~~ from the time of her
Possession may be Equally divided between such of my Children
as shall be then living. All the rest of my Slaves and their Increase
I give to be Equally divided by lot when my son John shall be
to the age above said amongst my Children then living,
after deducting the Value of that Negro that I have already given
to my Daughter Susanah Peniston Standly out of her part.
But if the amount of my said Slaves and their Increase

do not ~~amount to enough~~ to afford each of my Children except my Daughters
Susanah the value of her Slave. Then she to have no part of that Division
Her & Mine and Bequeath to my loving Wife Elizabeth & finally when my
son ~~John~~ ~~Stanly~~ should come to the age of Twenty one Yeares all the rest
of my personal Estate not before given she paying my Just Debts and
Leagues and relinquishing her right of Dower to her Son John when he
comes to Age But if my said Wife should then be a Widow she to possess the
said Land during her widowhood Last of all I appoint my loving Wife
and my friend William Adams my hole and Sole Executors of this my last
Will and Testament In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and
Seal this Seventh day of October Seventeen hundred and fifty five.

Witness my hand & Seal

In presence of
John Drunkard
his
James F. Clay
James F. Clay
James F. Clay

Dancy Stanly

At a Court held for Amherst County the 24th day of March 1757
This last Will and Testament of Dancy Stanly Dec^d was presented by
Elizabeth Stanly Relict of the said Dancy and William Adams Executors
therein named who made oath that so and proved by the Oath of John
Drunkard ^{one} of the Witnesses therein who likewise made oath that he for
James Clay the other Witness sign as such also James Hughes and
Caleb Perkinson made Oath that the words one hundred interline
was done by order of the said Dancy Stanly Dec^d which was ordered to
be recorded

Samuel Cobbs Clk