

In the Name of God Amen I John Ellis of the Parish of Nottoway
in the County of Amelia being of sound disposing mind and memory yet
considering the uncertainty of this mortal Life do think it necessary to
make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament which is as Followeth
I give and bequeath to my Son William Ellis and to his Heirs one certain Tract
or Parcel of Land containing six hundred Acres be the same more or less
lying in the County of Amelia and joining the Lines of Hardaway Wade
Finney and Samuel Smith and a line to be run from Hampton Wades
Lower corner near Jacobs Branch to Finneys nearest corner condition-
nally, that is to say if my Son William Ellis pays my Son Austin Ellis
Fifty Pounds Current Money of Virginia in three Years after my decease
if he refuses to pay the Fifty Pounds above mentioned and in that time
I then give the abovesaid six Hundred Acres of Land to my Son Richard
Ellis and to his Heirs, and desire he shall pay my Son Austin Ellis
Fifty Pounds in the Time above mentioned I give to my Son John
Ellis Fifty Pounds to be raised out of my Estate and paid by my
Executors hereafter named in three Years after my decease, I likewise
give to my Son Thomas Ellis Fifty Pounds to be raised out of my Estate
and paid by my Executors hereafter named in three years after my
decease I give and bequeath to Thomas Walther and Betty his Wife
to their Heirs Four Hundred acres of Land in Amelia County on the
lower side of the Horse pen Creek it being the Land the said Walther
now lives on and layd off by William Stokes and after his and her

...proper by his Will I give to my Dear Wife
Profits of her Life or Widowhood as much of the labour and
Profits of seventeen Negroes as will maintain her and her Family
handsomely, named George Charles Dennis Troygan Gallamader
Judah Lucy Fanny Pegg Samson Joe Anthony Peter Naro Hannah
Nanny and Phillis also the use & Profits of my Plantation whereon
I now live together with six hundred ^{acres} of Land Joining and all the
stock of Horses cattle Sheep & Hogs and all the Furniture thereunto belonging
during her Life or Widowhood in lieu of her Right of Dower And after my
Wifes decease or Widowhood I give the above named seventeen Negroes and
their ~~increase~~ increase together with all the stock and Furniture upon the
above said Plantation to my Son Richard Ellis and to his Heirs I likewise give
to my son Richard Ellis and to his Heirs sixteen other Slaves and their increase
Named Jack Dick Sam Harry Jesse Dido Sarah Debro Ned Umphrey Young
George Stephen Milly Suhey Betty and Jenny and the Land & Plantation where
on he now lives to him & his Heirs containing six hundred and thirty eight acres
with all the stock of Horses cattle sheep and hogs also my mill; and the
Mill and Land joining on both sides of Great Notoway River and the stock
thereunto belonging I likewise give to my Son Richard Ellis and to his
Heirs the Land and Plantation whereon I now live containing six hundred
acres be the same more or less after my Wifes decease or Widowhood I like-
wise Desire that my Son Richard Ellis give and Provide for my Daughters
Sarah Winn what he shall think proper and necessary for her support
and maintenance; also that George Judy and Fanny live and cont-
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Elizabeth Ellis during her Life or Widowhood as much of the labour and
Profits of seventeen Negroes as will maintain her and her Family 22
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and maintenance; also that George Judah and Fanny live and continue on
the Plantation where I now live and not to be put under an
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and maintenance, also that George Judy and Fanny Duro and continue on
the Plantation where I now live and not to be put under an Overseer.
I give to my Son Richard Ellis all the remaining part of the Profits of the
seventeen Negroes lent my Wife and desire that my whole Estate may be
under his Direction and management and I do make & ordain my Loving
Wife Elizabeth Ellis and my Son Richard Ellis Executrix & Executor of this my
Last Will & Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand
and Seal this fourteenth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand
seven hundred & sixty two.

Signed Sealed & acknowledged
by the said John Ellis to be his
Last will and Testament
before us. Cha Irby
James Beuford Patrick Boone

John Ellis - Seal

At a Court held for Amelia County the 22^d Day of April 1762.
This Will was proved by the Oath of James Beuford one of the Witnesses
and at another Court held for the said County the 24th Day of June follow-
ing the same was proved by the Oath of Charles Irby another of the Witnesses
thereto sworn to by Richard Ellis the Executor therein named and ordered
to be Recorded and on the Motion of the said Executor who together with
Charles Irby and John Hightower his Securitys entered into & acknowledged
Bond as the Law directs Certificate was granted him for obtaining a Probate
in due form.

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