

In the name of God Amen I Edward Clarke of the Parish of
 Raleigh in the County of Amelia being in Health and of a
 Sound and Disposing Memory But knowing the uncertainty of this
 Life and the time of my Disposition draws Nigh, make this my last
 Will and Testament in manner and form following
 I Give and Bequeath my Soul into the hands of Almighty God
 who gave it And my Body to the Earth to be Interred by my
 Executors hereafter named And as to such Temporal Estate as it hath
 pleased God to bless me with I Give and Dispose of the same in manner
 and form as followeth
 I Give and bequeath to my well beloved Wife Lucy Clarke One Negro
 Woman named Ruth with her Increase to her and her Heirs for ever
 I Give and Bequeath to my Daughter Hannah Clarke one Negro Girl
 named Rose with her Increase to her and her Heirs for ever
 I Give and Bequeath to my son James Clarke One Negro Boy named
 Johnne to him and his Heirs for ever
 I Lend to my loving Wife Lucy Clarke the Plantation Inclosures and
 with the Appurtenances therunto belonging During her natural life
 I Give and Bequeath to my son James Clarke all the Land and
 property with to him and his Heirs forever
 It is my Will and Desire And it is my true Intent and meaning that
 my Estate shall not be divided before my Daughter Hannah or my son
 James Clarke or either of them Arrives to the Age of Twenty one years
 or marries Then my Will and Desire is That my Estate heretofore not given
 be Equally divided between my Wife Lucy And my two Children
 Hannah and James Clarke which the One third I lend my Wife During
 her life
 It is my Will and Desire I do hereby Ordain and appoint And it is my true intent

executors hereafter named And as to such Temporal Estate as it hath pleased God to bless me with in this World and Dispose of the same in manner and form as followeth

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I Lend to my loving Wife Lucy Clarke the Plantation Inclosures on with the Appertinances therunto belonging During her natural life

I Give and Bequeath to my son James Clarke all the Land I now possess with to him and his Heirs for ever

It is my Will and Desire And it is my true Intent and meaning that my Estate shall not be divided before my Daughter Hannah or my son James Clarke or either of them Arrives to the Age of Twenty one Years or marries Then my Will and Desire is That my Estate heretofore not given be Equally divided between my Wife Lucy And my two Children Hannah and James Clarke which the One third I lend my Wife During her life

It is my Will and Desire I do hereby Ordain and appoint And it is my true Intent and meaning That if my two Children Hannah and James Clarke Dies without Heir of their Bodys Lawfully begotten Then my Desire is that my Well beloved Wife Lucy Clarke shall have and enjoye my whole Estate During her natural life Then it is my Will and Desire that my whole Estate both Real and Personal be Equally divided between the Persons hereafter named

To Edward Booker and Richard Marcott Bookers sons of my Richd Booker
To Edward Booker and Samuel Booker sons of Edward Booker

Witness

To Francis Jarry and Mary Jarry Daughters of Samuel Jarry
To Judith Clarke and Francis Hardaman Clarke Children
to my Brother James Clarke Deceased
To James Richardson and Ann Richardson Children of my
Sister Elizabeth Richardson of New Kent County
To Elizabeth Clarke and James Clarke Children of my Brother
Robert Clarke Deceased of Gloucester County
To them and every of them and the Heirs of their Bodies
Lawfully Begotten for ever.

I Give and Bequeath to Capt. Edward Boothe one mourning
Ring

I Constitute and Appoint Capt. Edward Boothe and
Mr. Francis Anderson with my Loving Wife Lucy Clarke
Executors of this my Last Will and Testament. And I hereby
Revoke and make Void all former Wills by me heretofore
made and do declare this to be my last and true Will
In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed
my Seal this 29th Day of August 1748.

Witnessed, Published & Declared
to be the Last Will and Testament of
Richard Clarke in presence of us.

Richard Clarke. (S)

Edm. Boothe Esq.
Edward Boothe
John Boothe

Witnessed held for America County the 23 Day
of January 1752

The Last Will and Testament of Richard Clarke
was presented in Court by Edward Boothe, Francis Anderson
and Lucy Clarke Esq.

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my Seal the 29th Day of August 1748

Witnessed Subscribed & Declared

to be the Last Will and Testament of
Richard Clarke of us

Richard Clarke (d)

Edm^d Boothe Sen^r

Edward Boothe

John Boothe

A Court held for Amelia County the 23^d Day
of January 1752

The Last Will and Testament of Richard Clarke
was presented in Court by Edward Boothe Francis Anderson
and Lucy Clarke Executors therein named who made Oath
thereof and also proved by the Oaths of Edmund Boothe
and Edward Boothe two of the witnesses thereto and
ordered to be recorded

Samuel Cobbs Clk