

12 I Samuel Gibbs of Amelia County an unworthy member of
the Church of England as by Law established being in good Health
and sound Memory for which I return most humble Thanks
then to Almighty God the Father of blessed Lord & Saviour Jesus
Christ in whom and thro' whose intercession I humbly hope to
receive Pardon for the innumerable Sins I have committed
and now being willing to settle my Worldly Affairs in the best
manner my Circumstances will admit I do make this my
last Will and Testament as followeth.

First my Will and desire is that my just Debts be fully paid
and in order thereto I subject my Estate as is hereafter
mentioned.

Item I give to my Daughter Theodosia one Mulatto Girl named
Lue and I have by Deed acknowledged in the General Court given my
aforesaid Daughter Fifty Pounds which said Sum I now order to be
paid her.

Item I give to my Daughter Judith one Mulatto Woman named
Nell also one Mulatto Boy named Michael the Son of the said Nell.

Item I give to my Grandson Samuel Gibbs the Son of John & Mary
Le Neve one hundred and ninety Acres of Land in Prince Georges
County and is the Plantation whereon Francis Rice now live th
after the Death of the said Francis and his now Wife to him and my
said Grandson and his Heirs forever.

Item I give to John Le Neve thirty two Pounds one Shilling which
is his Debt now due to me.

Item I give to George Basher thirty Pounds to be paid him two
years after my Death.

I give to my Wife Edith Gibbs all my Lands in this and all other
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I give to my Wife Edith Cobb all any Lands in this and all other
County of City or Towns to her my said Wife and her Heirs for
ever in trust that is to say she shall have full Power & sole
authority to sell and convey the Fee simple Estate thereof for
any part thereof to such Purchaser or Purchasers as shall contract
for the same and the Money arising by the sale thereof to apply
towards the Payment of my Debts and Legacies or for the advantage
of her Children all the remaining Negroes not before mentioned
together with the Personal Estate of which I am possessed I give

to any aforesaid wife or her heirs. In trust under the same restriction &c.
for the same purposes before mentioned. My intention is that my just
Debt shall be paid which when discharged my Will is that my Wife
have full Power to give and convey by Deed or by her last Will and
Testament in writing any of my Lands to my Son or other of the m
sons) Samuel or John or John as in her Description she shall think
proper and also that she shall have full Power to give to any one or
more of my Children or Grand Children such of my Negroes or other
Personal Estate as she shall judge proper.

But if my aforesaid Wife or she should depart this Life without
making any conveyance of Land to my Younger Son or without
making her Will and Testament in writing then and in such
case I give unto my Son John or John 666 four hundred acres of
Land adjoining the tract on which I now live on the upper side
of Hatter's Creek and so that I purchased of Richard Carter to him
my said Son and his Heirs forever.

But if my Wife aforesaid should have sold the four hundred
acres of Land aforesaid and depart this Life as aforesaid then &c.
in such case I give my Son John or John 666 five hundred acres
of Land part of the tract I now live on beginning at Reector's bridge
corner in the line between the late Col. Harrison and myself
thence up that line as far as a line from thence to Hatter's Creek
may include the quantity above mentioned in which I give to
my said Son and his Heirs forever.

And whereas the Rev. John Ormiston Esq. by Indenture
bearing date the twenty first Day of April 1755 conveyed to me
eighteen hundred and fifteen acres of Land in Prince Edward
County the same the eighth

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And Whereas the Rev. John Ormsby Esq. by Indenture
bearing Date the twenty first Day of April 1755 conveyed to me
Eighteen hundred and fifteen acres of Land in Prince Edward
County and in that conveyance acknowledged the same the eighth
Day of July following which conveyance was made with intent
to prevent the said from taxing for want of full payment and for
which purpose it was to be or is included in a Patent granted
me for a larger quantity the expense whereof he has been at and
is no part of my Estate this I think it necessary I now mention in
in this my Will to prevent any future Doubt or dispute Therefore

I Gave the aforesaid land being fifteen hundred and sixteen Acres
of Land to the aforesaid John Cobb for his heirs forever

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As I have now almost finished my Will by which I have
given a very extensive Power to my Wife, the Inducement
thereto and in gratitude to her I now mention She has been
my wife near Forty Years during which Time hath always
been kind loving and Obedient to me without affectation
my children are here I commit them to her care As my
Circumstances are now I could not provide for both and I
do think it my Duty to provide for a wife now in the Decline
of Life who so well deserves it from me I do constitute and
appoint my wife Edith Executrix of this my last Will and

Testament also I do appoint my son Samuel Executor of the
same but not to take that Trust on him until he is of Lawful Age
I mean Twenty one Years

And Lastly I desire that my
Estate may not be appraised and that my Executrix may not be
compelled to give Security for the Execution of this my Will and
this I hope will be granted as I have subjected my Lands and
Personal Estate to the Payment of my Debts I also revoke all
former Wills by me heretofore made declaring only this to be
my last Will to which I have this Twenty seventh Day of June
One thousand seven hundred and fifty seven set my Hand and Seal

Sealed Published by Sam^l Cobb
to be his last Will & Testament
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At a Court held for Amelia County the 28th Day of July 1757.

This Will was proved by the Oaths of Walter Scott John Ferguson and
Richard Smith the Witnesses thereto sworn to by the Executrix
therein named and ordered to be recorded And on the motion of the
said Executrix certificate was granted her for obtaining a Probate
in due Form. A copy being reserved to the other Executor to join in the Probate
when he shall come of age.

Teste J. Griffin Peachy Esq.