

Stephens Watkins
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I Stephen Watkins of Amelia County do make this my last & Will and testament as follows / Oct 11th /

I find my wife Mary

Witthins Note of her share in all my lands the use of my Plantation whereon I now live And all my land lying before my Mill up to the first Branch running in on the south side the said mill run thence up the Branch to the head and from the head a straight line to a corner between me and Col. William Cannon Shipton compassed by the road to up the River to the mouth of the aforesaid mill run. Also with my wife my two Negro Women Sarah & Didge and all their future increase during her natural life & also to my wife the use of my mill until my son Charles arrives to eighteen years of age,

Item I give and Bequeath to my Daughter Elizabeth Watkins my Negroes 2 Negroes to live. Four trunks of Cloath bedding Bed & furniture and Ten pounds Cash to her and her Heirs and assigns for ever to be paid her with when she marries or arrives to the age of eighteen years My will and desire is that my Spotted Horse be sold by my Ex^{ec} to raise the aforesd ten pounds

Item I give and Bequeath to my son Charles Watkins the Plantation I now live on with all my land lying on the south side my Mill run up to the first Branch running into the mill run on the south side thence up the Branch to the head. thence a straight line to a corner between Col. William Koste Ales & the aforesd son Charles or his off land which I bought of Joseph Hines containing one hundred and forty five acres also two Negroes free & Robin the Company Servt. piece of land and one Gun & Arms and his Heirs & assigns forever to be paid him with whom he arrives to eighteen years of age to be then at his own disposal.

Item I give and Bequeath to my son Thomas Watkins all my Land on the North side of my Mill run and all my Land on the South side of the river with there not directly given to my aforesd son Charles all the

between me and lookt 16th Cannon then on Gunns line to the river,
thence up the River to the mouth of the aforesd^d mill run. Also I ord my Executor
my two Negro Women / & their Blyde and all their fitter increase during
her natural life & also send my wife the wife of my mill until my
son Charles arrives to eighteen years of age,

I give and Bequeath to my Daughter Elizabeth Waller my Negros /
2 1/4 1/1 will be lie. Four head of cattle One Sledge & all the furniture,
and Ten pounds Cash to her and her Heirs and Executors for ever to be,
posset therewith when she marries or arrives to the age of Eighteen Years
My Will and Desire is that my spotted Horse be sold by my Ex^{ec} to raise
the Aforesd^d ten pounds

Item I give and Bequeath to my son Charles Waller the Plantation I now
live on with all my land lying on the South Side my Mill run up
to the first Branch running into the Mill run on the South side thence
up the Branch to the head thence a straight line to a corner between
Colt & Gunns Run Acre 1/15 I give to my aforesd^d Son Charles exect,
of Land which I bought of Joseph Hens Containing One hundred and
forty five acres also two Negros & 1/2 Robin & Lamprey Senior
head of cattle and one gun & his Heirs & Executors forever,
to be posset therewith when he arrives to eighteen years of age, & so
be then at his own Disposal.

Item I give and Bequeath to my son Thomas Waller all my Land on the
North side of my Mill run and all my Land on the South side the^d
run with I have not already given to my aforesd^d Son Charles also two
Negros (viz^f) & my Bedanion. also four head of cattle to him and
his Heirs and Executors for ever to be posset therewith when he
arrives to eighteen years of age & to be then at his own Disposal
I give to my aforesd^d Two Sons Charles and Thomas my Mill Branch
of them to have an Equall part all four

Item I give to my son Charles & Thomas Four hundred acres of Land lying
in Goochland County also two Negros & 1/2 H. & J. Kirk furniture
of cattle and one Horse and stable together and his Heirs and Executors
forever

for ever to be possessed thereof and to have service to the age of Eighteen
years & then to be at his own disposal.

I give to my Daughter & herannah & Catherin their Negroes 12 & 13 years old
6 cattle four head of cattle one Teacher Bed and furniture to her
and her heirs and assigns for ever to be possessed therewith when she
Marries or arrives to Eighteen years of age & to be then at
her own disposal. My will and desire is that if either of my
sons should die before they are of age to dispose of their Estate.
That the surviving Brothers shall have each an equal part of
his Land ^{and} the other Estate to descend to my two Daughters Elizabeth &
Suzannah. —

I leave to my beloved wife Mary Mathews all the rest of my Estate
of what sort soever during her Natural life & then to be divided
between all my children

My Will is that the Negro Woman Sarah with her self my wife the
wife of for seven of life and all her future Interest be equally divided
between by three sons and my Daughter Elizabeth after my Wifes
Decease

I do hereby constitute and appoint my brother Thomas Mathews
& his two sons Harry & Thomas & my brother Jack Mathews
& my friend Charles Christian Executors of this my last Will
and Testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand
and Seal this 25 Day of April 1752

I seal this instrument

of

Stephen Mathews (L)

James East

Richard Parkhill

Will a Count held for Amherst County the 2^d Day
of April 1752

This last Will and Testament of Stephen Mathews
Decedent was presented by The

my own Disposal. May itst and Secure it that of either of my Sons should die before they are of age to dispose of their Estates.
That the surviving Brother shall have Both an equal part of his Land and the other Estate to be send to my dear Daughter Elizabeth & Hannah -

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I Lend to my beloved Wife Mary Washington all the rest of my Estate of what sort ever during her Natural life & then to be divided between all my Children

My Will is that the Negro Woman Sarah with her my wife life of for her off life and all her future Incomes be equally divided between by three sons and my Daughter Elizabeth after my Wifes Decease

I do hereby constitute and appoint my Brother Thomas Washington & his two Sons Harry & Thomas & my Brother John Washington & my Friend Charles Christian Executors of this my last Will and Testament in Writing whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this 25 Day of April 1751

Sealed in presence

Stephen Walling (S)

James Vast
Richard Packard

Will above held for Amelia County the 2^d day of April 1751

This last Will and Testament of Stephen Washington Dec'd was presented by Thomas Washington and Charles Christian two of the Executors herein Named who made oath thereto and proved by the oaths of James Vast and Richard Packard witness thereto and ordered to be recorded

Samuel Cobble Esq.