

In the name of God Amen Thomas Tanner of Amelia
County & Parish of Nottingham being (by age) very infirm in body but
of a Perfect & sound memory Thanks be to God for the same & calling
to mind the mortality of the body & knowing it is appointed for all men
- to Die Do make & Ordain this my last Will & Testament, & in the first place
I give & Commend my soul into the hands of God to be sent in hope of
the Resurrection to Life Eternal & for my body I commit it to the
Earth to be Buried in Decent Christianlike manner at
the Discretion of my Executors hereafter named And as for my
Worldly Estate &c. &c. I have it hath pleased God to Bless me with
I will Devise & Dispose of the same in manner & form follow-
ing To wit, — Item. I Lend to my Friend Susan Smith
Couldwin widow five Pound current money to be paid &c.

the Discretion of my Executors hereafter named And as for my
Worldly Estate ~~here~~ it hath pleased God to Richen me with
His Grace & Dispose of the same in Manner & Form follow-
ing To wit, — Item I Send to my Friend Susannah
Couldwin widow five Pound current money to be raised
out of my Estate During her the said Susannahs Natural Life
After her Decease I Will that the above sent five Pounds return
to my Estate — Item I Send to my Daughter Martha
Brown my Negro Girl named Anne during her my Daughters
Natural Life and after her Decease I Will that the said ^{Girl} Negro
her Increase return to my Grandson Joseph Brown to
have & his heirs forever — Item I also give & Bequeath

to my Daughter Martha Brown Twenty Dollars Current

Money to be raised out of my Estate & to be paid to her

my Daughter Martha & her heirs forever — Item I

give to my son Nathaniel & his heirs Twenty Pounds Current money

to be raised of my Estate together with one Cow & one three year

Old Stear & all my wearing apparel to him & his heirs forever

Item I give & bequeath to my son Joseph & his heirs Ten Pounds

Current money to be raised out of my Estate & his heirs forever

— I give & bequeath to my Grandson Archibald & his heirs Ten Pounds

Current money to be raised out of my Estate & his heirs forever

— Item I give to my son's

Daughter Elizabeth & her heirs all my small household goods

& all the rest of her heirs forever — Item I give & bequeath

Daughter Elizabeth Johnson all that I own & sellings

to her & her heirs forever — Item I give and bequeath

to my Daughter Jane & John Twenty pounds Current money

to be paid out of my Estate when they shall come to age

It is my will that my Negro woman Cloc & her freedom (not
yet given) and my Negro Boy Peter be sold as is what re-
maining of Estate I have (not before given) to raise money to

pay of the legacies by my Executors — Item I will &

bequeath to my Son Joel Tanner all the remaining part of

my Estate (not before given) Consisting of Money House &

Furniture & Stock of Cattle Horses & Hogs (after my —

Setts Legacies & Funeral Charges be paid of John H. Hiers
for or — I am Invid that my Estate may not be
Prised but that my Executors may expose to Sale my Negroes
Which other part of my Estate (as they think proper) to pay Legacies
& Setts &c. Lastly I do make appoint and Ordain my son
Jael Tanner My Son in Law John Johns my Lawfull Ex
ecutors of this my Last Will & Testament. If allowing
all former Wills by me made and Constituting this my
Last Will & Testament In Witness Whereof I have set my
hand & fixed my Seal this Twenty Sixth day of March One
Thousand Seven Hundred and Sixty three

Signed & Sealed in Presence of J. H. Sanner
Richd. his Willm
Amelia County Wills 1761-1775
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Signed Sealed in Presence of J. Thos. Sammons

Rich^d & his Willson

Anne & his Willson

Isaac & his Vaughn

A Court held for Amelia County the 26th Day of Sep^r 1763

Thus Will was provided by the Court Richard Willson Anne

Willson & Isaac Vaughn the Witnesses thereto sworn

to by Joel Tanner an an an an an one of the

Court Order to be recorded for the motion of the said

Court who entered into Acknowledged Bond with Sam^l Shewin

his Security as the Law direct certificate was granted him
for obtaining a Probate in due form

John S. Peachy & Co.