

Pages 78a-79. Will of William Watson of Amelia County in the Parish of Nottoway, dated 23 Dec. 1751.

To my son William my Negro wench Dinah and Judith, with all my upper tract of land upon Namozeen, with all that part of this upon Flatt Creek where I live below the mill branch, containing 1300 acres.

To my loving wife Amy Watson four Negroes dureing her natural life and at the time of her death to dispose of them to such of my children as she thinks proper. Also the use of my plantation with all of the land between the mill branch, the creek and the upper fork of the Branch between here and the Quarter at Batt. Zachry's dureing her natural life.

All my land on Bush River containing 2650 acres unto my daughters.

Unto my loving wife, till my son comes of age, the sole use of that plantation where Batt. Zachary now lives.

To my loving wife the sole use of which plantation she thinks proper during her natural life, either Malleries or Snail's Creek.

The rents of the several tenants and the ordinary shall go towards paying the Quit Rents.

All the rest of my Negroes be equally divided betwixt my wife and children. My wife shall hold her part during her widowhood and they be divided and laid off as my children comes of age or marriage.

What money I have in the house or due to me shall be laid out in Negroe wenches or girls by my executors and my executors shall give one of the likeliest to my son William. My crop now in the house shall be laid out in the best way for money, except three hogsheads that I intend for my executors, and the money be laid out in Negroes for the use of my wife and children.

Unto my son William my watch, my dozen of silver spoons and a dozen of my best chairs and a good feather bed and furniture and a table and the rest to be disposed of by my wife to my children whom she thinks proper.

Richard, Edward and Daniel Jones executors. I give each of them one hogshead of tobacco.

Willm. Watson

Wit: Chas. Cupples, Robt. Rowland, James Overstreet.
26 March 1752. Presented by the executors. Proved
by Robert Rowland and James Overstreet.

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