

the name of ^{Amelia County, Wills 1734-1761} William Booher of Amelia
County being in a declining state of Health but of sound and perfect memory
do make this my last Will and Testament in manner following.

I commend my soul to God who gave it. And as for my Body I leave it
to be buried at the Discretion of my Executors.

I give to my son Richard Booher and his Heirs for ever all that true
Parcel of Land lying in this County and is that on which I now live.
Containing four hundred thirty five Acres. after the Death of my Mother
I also give to my said son Richard four hundred Acres of Land in
Lunenburg County on the South side of Meherrin River and on the Branch
of Buckhorn to him and his Heirs forever.

I also give to my said son Richard Booher the following Negro Slaves
to wit: Grasser Windsor. Matt Sarah and one Negro Boy name [unclear]
the Son of Modenia to him and his Heirs forever. I also give him six
Cows and six Calves. Four two year old Steers. Four Sows with
twelve piglets or Pigs my small Horse and his Saddle. One mare
and two more Colts which are at Meherrin and are those I bought of Sam
Weatherford. I also give him Two Beds three pair of Sheets Two Rugs
and Two Blankets six Flagg bottom Chaises. One Table One Looking
Glass. One Doz. Dinner plates. Three pewter Dishes. Three pewter Basins
Six Table Knives and forks. Three Iron Stove. Twenty five Bushels of
Corn. Ten Bushels of Wheat. Four bushels of Salt. Eight hundred
pounds of Molasses with one shawl for a bed. My Horse and his
saddle above mentioned to be delivered him immediately after my
Death.

And further It is my Will and Desire that my Executor hereafter
named do allow him my said son five pounds the year from the Day
after my Death (besides good clothes) and the same to be paid him
yearly untill the first Day of November one thousand seven hundred
fifty six. At which time my Will and Desire is that all the Estate
which I leave by this my will given to my son Richard
(except this Plantation on which I now live) be delivered up to him.
And that he dispose the same in such manner as he might or
could do if he had been of Sane full Age.

I give to my humble and honest wife Mary Booher the following
Slaves to be by her given to whom she pleases (to wit) a Stranger
Jack Mayor. Sonney. and Lucy.

Continuing said Sum of Twenty five pounds after the Death of my said
 Father Give to my said Son Richard Ten hundred Acres of Land in
 Lunenburg County on the South side of the River and on the Bank
 of Buckhorn to him and his Heirs forever.

I also Give to my said Son Richard the following Negro Slaves
 to wit: Graser, Windsor, Peter, Sarah. And one Negro Boy named John
 the Son of Madonia to him and his Heirs forever. I also Give him six
 Cows and six Calves. Four two year old Steers. Four Sows with
 twenty Pigs or Piggons and one small Horse and his Saddle. One mare
 and two more Cows which are at Williams and are those I bought of Sam
 Weatherford. I also Give him Two Beds Three pair of Thick Two Rugs
 and Two Blankets six Flagg bottom Chairs. One Table. One Looking
 Glass. One Doz. China plates. Three pewter Dishes. Three pewter Basins
 Six Table Knives and forks. Three Iron Pots. Twenty five Bushels
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 Saddle above mentioned to be delivered him immediately after my
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 named do allow him my said Son five pounds the year from the Day
 after my Death (besides good cloaths) and the same to be paid him
 yearly untill the first Day of November One thousand seven hundred
 fifty six. At which time my Will and Desire is That all the Estate
 which I have by this my Will given him my said Son Richard
 (Except this Plantation on which I now live) be delivered up to him.
 And that he Dispose the same in such manner as he might or
 could do if he had been of Lawfull Age.

I Give to my Simple and Honest Wife Mary Booker the following
 Slaves to be by her given to whom she pleases (to wit) Shampus
 Jack Mayor. Donney, Jack and Lucy. I likewise Give to her my
 said Wife six Cows and six Calves all my Sheep and Hogs
 which shall be on the Plantation whereon I now live at the time
 of my Death. One Riding Horse or Mare either which she
 pleases to Choose Excepting those given to my Richard. One new
 Side Saddle and furniture not to exceed the price of Five pounds
 Current money. Two Beds and Bedsteads for them. Six
 Flagg Bottom Chairs. One Table. One Looking Glass.

One sixth part of all my ^{Amelia County Wills 37244-3761} ~~Property~~ ^{www.virginiapioneers.net} Son and Son and ~~also~~ ^{also} order that my Executor do allow her my said Wife a sufficient quantity of Corn & Wheat & meat to serve her and the Slaves before given to her One Year and also to furnish them with working Tools for the term time. And further my Will is that my Executor hereafter named allow her my said Wife during the time any Children is living with her a sufficient quantity of Corn. Wheat. Meat. Rum. Sugar. molasses and the like yearly for their support And to take my Wife's advice about Cloathing my Daughters

And it is further my Will and Desire that my said Wife have the use and Occupation of the Plantation on which I now live for the term of her natural life,

Item I give to my son John Booker and to his Heirs for ever all that Tract or Parcel of Land lying and being on the upper side of Bears Ellum in Lunenburg County and on both sides of masons Creek which will be about six hundred Acre Also I give ^{to} my said son John Booker ~~all~~ ^{all} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~rest~~ ^{rest} of Land on the lower side of Bears Ellum at the upper end of my Tract of Land on Bears Ellum. It being the Land which I bought of Pool and Talley who Included in my Patent to him my son John and his Heirs for ever.

Item All the rest or remaining part of my Lands my Will and Desire is that the same be Equally divided between my two Sons William and Lowry by a line to be run East and West But that my son William have and enjoy the Lower part of the said Land so to be divided as my Crooked Creek and the Plantation on little Beaver Pond. And that my son Lowry have the upper part joining Bears Ellum and Mahan River with the Plantation thereon which said Land I have as aforesaid I give to each of them and their Heirs for ever.

But of the part of my Sons William, Lowry or John should die before they come to Landfull Age. Then my Will and Desire is that their part of the Land which I have before given them or either of them be Equally divided between the Survivors of them three.

Item I give to each of my Daughters (Nancy), Martha and Mary thirty pounds current money to be paid to each of them as they shall be married to the age of eighteen years or marriage which said sum of money If either should die before marriage or attain to the age of Eighteen

my Daughters

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have the use and ~~enjoyment~~ ^{possession} of the Plantation on which I now live
his natural life.

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Parcel of Land lying and being on the upper side of Bears E. in
in Lunenburg County and on both sides of masons Creek which
be about six hundred Acre also I give to my ^{son} ~~Said~~ son John four
Acre of Land on the lower side of Bears E. at the upper end
my Tract of Land on Bears E. I being the Land which I
bought of Pool and Talley tho Included in my Patent to him my
son ~~John~~ and his Heirs for ever.

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the same be Equally divided between my two Sons William and Lowry
by a line to be run East and West But that my son William
have and Enjoy the Lower part of the said Land so to be divided at
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Lawfull Age. Then my Will and Desire is that their part of the Land
which I have before given them or either of them be Equally divided
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If either should die before marriage or attain to the Age of Eighteen
Years then the Survivor to have the whole which is sixty po

All the rest or Remaining part of my Estate not before mentioned as in
Negroes as other Personed or Real Estate my Will and Desire is that
the same may be equally divided among my four Children to wit
Martha Mary William Lowry & John and the same to be done
and performed by my Executor hereafter mentioned in the manner
following. That is to say when my Daughter Martha shall come to

the age of Eighteen years or marriage that then my Executor to divide
Apiece between or pay her One fifth part of this General Legasse. And
the other four fifths to be kept together untill my Daughter Mary
shall come to the same Age as before mentioned or marriage that then
the second Division to be made assigned paid or laid off by my Executors
as above mentioned And one fourth part of such Division paid to
my Daughter Mary And so to continue to divide in the same manner
untill my three Sons above mentioned come to lawfull age.

I. specially But if either of my five last mentioned Children (to wit)
my Daughter or Daughters should die before she or they shall come
to Eighteen years of age or marriage Or if either of my Sons die
before he or they come to lawfull age that then and in such case
this General Legasse above mentioned to be Equally divided among
the Survivors or Survivor of them

And I do constitute and appoint my worthy Friend Thomas Tabb Gent.
Executor of this my last Will and Testament and desire that he may
not be compelled to give Security for the performance of the same
Nor compelled by any Court to render an account of his doings
and doing therein. And as I am Certain this friendly Trust
must be attended with some trouble and Expence my desire is
that my Executor may be allowed what he shall think reasonable
to charge without further Enquiry

Further and lastly I do appoint my before mentioned Friend and
Executor Thomas Tabb to be Guardian to my five mentioned
Children and do declare this and no other to be my last Will
and Testament unto which I have this Twenty ninth day of September
One thousand Seven hundred fifty four Set my hand and Seal

signed Sealed Published and Declared

William Backer to be his last Will
and Testament in Presence of us

Will^m Backer (C)

Thos Tabb

Benⁿ Branch

Wm. C. C.

But I desire of my five last mentioned Children to wit
my Daughter or Daughters before she or they shall come
to Eighteen years of age or marriage Or if either of my Sons die
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and Testament unto which I have this Twentieth day of September
One thousand Seven hundred fifty four Set my hand and Sealed
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Will^m Backer

Sam^l Cobble

Benyⁿ Branch

William F. Corbridge

Whereas Since the Signing and executing this my Will I have
Sold two Negroes to wit Beck and Jack which said Negroes
I had given to my Wife and therefore I give her in full third
Wobby and Phillis and do confirm this to be part of my
last Will and Testament Dated this Tenth day of

January One thousand Seven hundred fifty five.

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Sam^l Cobbs

Will^m Boothe (B)

At a Court held for Lincoln County the 26th day of June
1755

This last Will and Testament of William Boothe was
presented by Thomas Jabb the executor therein named who made oath thereto
and proved by the Oaths of Sam^l Cobbs Benjamin Branch Jun^r and
William Craddock witnesses thereto and the Codicil to the said will
proved by the Oath of Sam^l Cobbs and ordered to be recorded.

Samuel Cobbs Secy