

In the Name of God Amen. I Benjamin block of the
 County and Parish of Amherst and Colony of Virginia, Yeoman
 being of sound and disposing mind and memory do make and ordain
 this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following
 Viz^t, I promise, I will that all my just Debts and funeral charges
 be paid and Discharged by my Executors herein after Named, as
 touching what worldly Estate it has pleased God to bless me
 with it lies in the hands of M^r. Charles Ervin Merchant, and one
 Crop of Tobacco undisposed of now in the hands of William Martin
 Distinguished by the name of Dutch Creek. William Martin
 as also three head of Cattle of my Property now with my Father,
 and which Cattle I allow to the use and benefit of my Mother,
 Induring her Lifetime and after her death them and their Increase
 to sold and Equally Divided amongst my Brothers and Sisters all of
 them without Exceptions, There is fifteen pounds Current money
 of this Colony due to me from my Uncle Nathaniel block of
 Henrico County which Debt I bequeath to my Father William block
 for his use and behoof, and that part of my worldly Estate now in the
 hands of M^r Ervin and Martin as abovesaid to be Equally Divided
 amongst my Brothers and Sisters without Exceptions to them and
 their heirs forever, Lastly I do make and constitute my Loving
 Father William block and Joseph Roberts Executors of my Last Will
 and Testament, whom I also charge with the payment of the said
 Legacies, In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal
 this fifth Day of March in the year of our Lord God One thousand
 Seven hundred and Seventy Six 1776

Sealed & Subscribed & Delivered

In presence of

John Johnson

William Johnson

his
 Benjamin block (S. I.)
 in test

At a Court held for Amherst County the Seventh Day of July 1777
 This Last Will & Testament of Benjamin Clark De^d was presented in
 Court by William Clark and Joseph Roberts the Executors therein named,
 and ordered to be Recorded, whereupon the same was proved by the
 Oaths of John Johnson and William Johnson, and ordered to be
 Recorded, and on the motion of the said Executors who made Oath
 according to Law, Certificate is granted them for obtaining probate
 thereof in due form, giving Security whereupon they with Alexander
 Reid Junr. Gent. and Robert Lasky their Securitys entered into &
 Acknowledged Bond in the penalty of two hundred Pounds with the
 Condition Required by Law

Ex.

Test. Edmd Wilson Clk

Ex^d by W^m Loving Clk

Know all Men by these presents that we William Clark & Joseph Roberts
 Alexander Reid Junr. & Robert Lasky are held and firmly bound unto
 William Cabell, James Nail, Ambrose Reeves, and James Dillard
 Gentlemen Justices of the County Court of Amherst their heirs and
 Successors in the full and Just Sum of Two hundred Pounds Current
 Money of Virginia to the Payment whereof well and truly to be
 made we bind our selves our heirs Executors & Administrators jointly
 and Severally firmly by these presents, Witness our hands and seals
 this Seventh Day of July 1777.

The Condition of the above Obligation is Such that if the
 above Bound Clark and Roberts Executors of all the Good Chatties and
 Credits of Benjamin Clark De^d do make or Cause to be made a true
 and perfect Inventory of all and Singular the Goods and Chatties &
 Credits of the said Deceased which have or shall come to the hands
 Possession or knowledge of the said William Clark & Joseph Roberts
 Executors