

I Drury Christian of the Parish of Lexington & County of Amherst, do make and Ordain this to be my Last Will & Testament Revoking all other Wills by me made; as to what it hath pleased God Temporally to bestow & Give me, my Will is to Give and bestow in Manner Following (Viz^t) Item I Give unto my well beloved Companion Elizabeth Upshaw one certain Bay Mare called Janey, Item I Lend unto my said Willbeloved Elizabeth Upshaw During her Natural Life all my Estate of every kind that is to say my plantation and all the Lands thereto belonging, and all other the Lands to be belonging with all Privileges and Advantages, on the said Janey also, in like manner to the said Elizabeth Upshaw, all my Utensils of Husbandry, Household Furniture, Stocks of Horses, ~~which I have given~~ ^{except the above said Mare, also one Copper Still and the half of one other Copper Still that I own in part with my Brother John Christian} and all other my Estate Rights or Privileges whatsoever (Except as hereafter Excepted) Item I Give and Bequeath to my Son John Christian Upshaw, all my Land that I now am possessed with after the Death of his Mother Elizabeth Upshaw, (Except as hereafter Excepted) Item I Give ^{unto} my four Children Viz^t John Christian Upshaw, Elizabeth Christian Upshaw, Lucy Christian Upshaw & Sally Christian Upshaw, to be Equally Divided Between them, or Such of them that are Living, agreeable to the following Terms, (to wit.) the following Slaves, Dutton, Phebe, Alice, Orson, Ratten & Ralph and their Increase, and that it may be clearly understood the said Slaves are to Remain on the above said Land for the Maintenance and Subsistence of the abovesaid Elizabeth Upshaw and said Children until Either of them Come of Age or Marry, then the said Slaves to be Equally Divided amongst such of them that are then Living, and that one of them Coming of Age or Marrying to Receive his or her part, and the other Remaining Slaves to Continue on the said Land or plantation under the Conduct of the S^r Elizabeth Upshaw until the Next Child Comes of Age or Marries, then in like manner to be Equally Divided, and the one then Coming of Age or Marrying then to Receive his or her part, and in Manner so to be Continued until all my Children Come of Age or Marry, at which Terms they are to Receive their proportionable Parts, and if any of my said Children should Die before Coming of Age or Marrying, in Proportion the Reserve made for such of them as may Die, is to be Equally Divided Between such of them that are Living as well the

one coming of Age or Marrying as those that are not come of Age or married, so as to make their Parts as Equal as possible, and if my son John Christian Upshaw should Die before he comes of Age or Marry's, then all my Lands which I have Given to him after the Death of his said Mother be Equally Divided between my other said Children that are then Living (Except as hereafter Excepted) Item I give unto my Brother John Christian half the Privilege of my Ferry, and a small Piece of Land the Quantity unknown Chopt off from the Lower End of my Lands and Rejoining his Lands, to him his heirs or assigns forever Item I further give to each of my aforesaid Children as they come of Age or Marry's and at the said terms to be Received out of the Estate Lent to my Well beloved Companion Elizabeth Upshaw One Good Feather Bed and Furniture one Good Horse Bridle and Saddle & Five head of Cattle; and after the Decease of the said Elizabeth Upshaw I give all the Estate that then Remains as Lent, in the hands of the said Elizabeth Upshaw Except such as I have specifically Given, to be Equally Divided Between my aforesaid Children, and in Case any of them be then Dead to be Divided between such as are then Living, or Legally Represent them, I do hereby Appoint the aforesaid Elizabeth Upshaw my Executors to Act and do According to the Purport of this my Last Will bearing Date this 18th Day of March 1783.

Drury Christian L.S.

I do hereby Sign Seal and Pronounce this Writing to Contain my last Will and Testament In the presence of

N.B. the Words (God) in the third Line; Son) in the Twentieth Line (Age) in the fortieth Line (the) in the forty first line (if) in the forty fifth Line (or) in forty Sixth Line (in) in the Sixty Second Line. Interlined before Signed

James Pamplin
John Christian
Robert Rogers

At a Court held for Amherst County the Sixth Day of October 1783 This Last Will & Testament of Drury Christian Deceased was Presented in Court by Elizabeth Upshaw the Executors therein Named and proved by the Oath of James Pamplin and Robert Rogers

Witnesses thereto, and the said Executors with James Dill and
and James Pamplin her Securitys intend into and Acknowledge
Bond in the penalty of One thousand five hundred pounds
with the Condition Required by Law, and the said Will was
ordered to be Read,

Test. Edm. Wilcox Clerk

Know all Men by these Presents that We Elizabeth Upshaw.
James Dillard and James Pamplin are held and firmly Bound to
Zacharias Taliaferro, Amos Rucker, Gabriel Penn and
Benjamin Rucker Gent. Justices of the Court of Amherst
County now sitting in the sum of One Thousand and five hundred
pounds, To the payment whereof well and truly to be made to
the said Justices and their Successors, we Bind ourselves, and
Each of us our and Each of our heirs Executors & Administrators
Jointly and Severally firmly by these presents. Sealed with
our Seals this Ninth Day of October in the year of our Lord
One thousand Seven hundred and Eighty three and in the
Eighth year of our Independence

The Condition of this Obligation is Such that if the above Bound
Elizabeth Upshaw Executor of the Last Will and Testament of
Drury Christian Deceased do make or cause to be made a true &
Perfect Inventory of all and Singular the Goods Chatties and
Credits of the said Deceased which have or shall come to the
hands, possession or knowledge of the said Elizabeth or into the
hands and possession of any other person or persons for her, and
the same so made do exhibit into the County Court of Amherst
at such time as she shall be thereunto Required by the said Court
and the same Goods Chatties and Credits, and all other the Goods
Chatties and Credits of the said Deceased, which at any time
after shall come to the hands possession or knowledge of the said
Elizabeth or into the hands and possession of any other person or
persons for her, do well and truly administer According to Law
and further do make a just and true Account of her doings and
Doings therein when thereto Required by the said Court, and
also shall well and truly pay and Deliver all the Legacies

Therupon Requeir'd to Render and Deliver up his Letters (164)
 of Administrators Approbation of such Testament being
 had and made in the said Court then this obligation to be
 Void and of none Effect or Else to Remain in full force and
 Vertue sealed and
 Deferred in the
 Presents of

George Burks J S
 Hillis Wright J S

James Edmonds J S

At A Court held for Amherst County the fifth Day of
 Aprile 1704 This Bond was Acknowledged and ordered to
 be Recorded

Test Edmond Wilson Ck

Pursuant to an order of the worshipfull Court of Amherst
 to us Directed Dated March Court 1704 we the said commiss^{rs}
 have Divided the Estate of Howard Esq. Deceased agreeable
 to the said order and well of the said Decedent or the Copy
 thereof to us Produced as witnesses our hands and seals this Sixteenth
 Day of March 1704

David Crauford J S
 Rodrick M Culloch J S
 Sam. Higginbotham J S

At a Court held for Amherst County the fifth Day of Aprile 1704
 This Report of the Division of the Estate of Howard Esq. Deceased
 was this Day Returned, and Ordered to be Recorded

Test Edmond Wilson Ck

An Inventory and appraisement of the Estate of Drury Christen Die.
 Taken by the subscribers this 17th day of November 1702

one Negro Wench Phoebe	£	60	0	0
one negro girl Abbe		40	0	0
one negro boy Austine		30	0	0
one negro boy Rattler		25	0	0
one negro boy Ralph		15	0	0
one negro fiddle Dublin		75	0	0
one bay horse		20	0	0
one bay mare		14	0	0

one young bay mare	\$	12	0	0
one young bay gelding		15	0	0
one small horse		20	0	0
33 head of cattle at 20/ Each		66	0	0
2 draft Steers		10	0	0
42 head of hogs		15	15	0
0 head of sheep		2	16	0
1 Copper Still		15	0	0
a half Copper still		12	10	0
to a parcel of plantation tools		5	4	0
to a parcel of black Smiths tools		30	0	0
to a parcel of carpenters tools		2	5	0
100 bar Iron		2	10	0
1 steel trap		1	0	0
2 pair of stillards		1	5	0
1 Grofs Cut saw		0	15	0
2 Cyllus		0	15	0
4 reaping hooks & lock Chain		0	10	0
66 barrels of Corn at 10/ Barrell		26	0	0
1 Cart		3	0	0
1 bed and furniture		12	0	0
1 Dillo and Dillo		12	0	0
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1 Dish & book Case		12	0	0
to a parcel of Earthen ware		0	10	0
to a parcel of books		2	10	0
2 oval Tables		3	0	0
3 Cotton wheels		1	0	0
1 Rifle & shot bagg &c		4	0	0
3 shot guns		3	10	0
two looking glasses & one state		0	17	6
1 box Iron bars and Heaters		0	7	6
1 case & 4 pairs bottles		0	6	0
3 trunks & Chest		1	15	0
to a parcel of feathers		3	0	0
to one mans Saddle & bridle		1	5	0
to a parcel of printer		1	10	0

1 Year wheel
 to a Case of knives and forks
 1 Potts & dusted oven 1 Skillet
 1 Srying pan 1 spit 1 great Iron
 1 weaving loom & gear
 to a parcel of milk pans
 to a parcel of wosing ware
 1 tea kettle 4 Coffee pott.
 1 Table 1 small tub 1 sefter
 to a parcel of Cotton
 1 grina stone
 1 Sugg
 10 Chairs
 2 ragsors 1 horse 12 straps
 10 bushels of whitest
 3 Raw offides
 to a parcel of leather
 3 Shells

£	15	0
0	10	0
3	0	0
0	15	0
1	5	0
0	7	6
1	5	0
0	15	0
0	6	0
10	0	0
0	7	6
0	2	6
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£	45	11 6

Sarkem Gatewood
 Henry Bell
 Daniel Perrow } Appraisers

At A Court held for Amhurst County the third day May 17th 1722
 this Inventory & Appraisement of the Estate of Drury Christen
 Deceased was this day Returnd and Orderd to be Recorded
 Just Edm. a Wilcox Ck

In the Name of God Amen I William Trotter of the County
 of Amhurst & Colony of Virginia being Very sick & weak in body but
 of perfect mind & memory thanks be given to god Calling unto mind
 the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for
 all men once to die do make & ordain this my last will & testament
 that is to say Principally and first of all I give and recommend my soul
 into the hands of almighty god that gave it and my body I recommend