

At a Court held for Amherst County third Day of
October 1785. This Inventory and appraisement of the Estate of
Thomas Mathews Deed was this Day returned and ordered to be
Recorded

Test. W. M. Loving Clerk

In the Name of God amen I John Morrison
of Amherst County and State of Virginia being sick and knowing
How soon I may die: yet of Perfect sense and Memory do make
and appoint this my Last Will and Testament in manner following:
That is I desire that all my Just debts be paid: & further
any debts that I may owe. Merchants or others which may be due
out of date by a late act of Assembly my will is that all such
as are Just may be paid and what shall then remain of my
Estate I give and bequeath as followeth: Item I give and bequeath
to my Loving wife Winneford my Negroe girl Poll and her
Increase with one Mare which she now commonly Rides one new
womans saddle to be bought for her at the Expence of my estate my
best Bed and furniture to her and her heirs forever: Item my
wife is now supposed to be with Child should she bare it and it should
live to come of Lawfull age whether Male or Female I give & bequeath
to such Child my Negroe Mill: Dinah: Rose & Beck. which negros
said Child is to receive when of Lawfull age or sooner if my Brethren
should think it for the better with the Land and Plantation
whereon I now live to be enjoyed by said Child after the Death of
my wife: or when it comes of age should my wife then be dead
Item I send to my Loving wife Winneford during her life the
Land and Plantation whereon I now live: with the Plantation
Tools with my stock of all kind Household Furniture and every
other Necessary on the Plantation which I may at any time give away in
this will - Should my wife bare no living Child or should such
Child die before it receives what I leave it that then my wife have
the Tent of it during her widowhood with every remainder of my
Estate that is not otherwise sent or given - after she may
discontinue my widow: and no such Child my will is that
what I have allotted for such Child with my Negroe Boy Cason
be Equally divided amongst my Brethren and Sisters now living

to them and their heirs forever - should I have a Child born to survive
 what Estate I have left it that then I give such Child my ~~and~~
 remainder of my estate of all kinds that is to say remainder of what
 I have not given away in this will also observing the trust I have
 made my wife as I have Counted out in said will and should I have
 no such Child my will is that such remainder be Equally divided
 amongst my Brothers and Sisters now living to them and their
 heirs forever observe the Rule for receiving it as I have laid down
 for the Child receive it my will is also that my brother William
 have a tract to his Part of this Land made him by my Executors
 as by a Line joining Elijah Stone near the road then on his own
 Line down the Creek to the Mouth of a Branch then up the said
 Branch to the old Line: Item I give to my brother Michael my
 Grey Mare after this Crop is finished my will is that my Negroe
 Mary be sold after this Crop is finished to Assist in the Payment of
 my just debts: And Lastly I appoint and ordain John
 Dawson: Elijah Stone: John Blair & John Thomas
 Executors to this my Last will and Testament revoking all former
 Wills by me made In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand
 and seal this Tenth day of April One Thousand seven hundred and
 Eighty and five. Turn over for the witnesses

Witnessed on this side

the within will signed sealed and
 pronounced in presence of us

John Morris: John Cole
 Zachariah Morris
 Rebekah Cole

John Morrison *John*

At a Court held for An. Hurst County the third day of October 1785
 This last will and Testament of John Morrison Deceased was presented
 in Court and proved by the oaths of John Morris and Zachariah
 Morris Witnesses thereto and Ordered to be Read and at a Court
 continued and held for the aforesaid County the Eighth Day of November
 1785 Administration with this will Annued is granted to Charles
 Living the Executors and Wm. Morris the Widow of the said
 Deceased Refusing to take on the Execution of the said Will
 whereupon the said Charles Living with Edmund Winston his security
 entered into and Acknowledged Bond in the Penalty of One
 Thousand pounds with the Condition required by law and
 Ordered to be Read

Test. Wm. Loving Clk