

In the Name of God I record this tenth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eight I John Burnside of Bals County and Colony of Virginia being witness of body but of perfect mind and memory thanks be given unto God therefore calling unto mind the mortality of my body but knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do make and ordain this my last will and testament that is to say principally and first of all I give and recommend my soul unto the hand of Almighty God that gave it and my body I recommend to the earth to be buried in decent burial at the discretion of my executors hereafter named nothing doubting but at the general Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God, and as touching such worldly estate wherewithal it hath pleased God to bless me in this life it is my will and desire it to be disposed of as follows And first it is my will and desire that all my just debts and funeral charges be paid within convenient time after my decease by my executors, I give and bequeath to my well beloved wife Meany Burnside all the land which is within my memory of this side of the River whereon I now live and the old Sugar Camp on the other side of the river up to the first river and the negro named Miller and the negro woman named Bot and the negro boy named Sam and the man also property of every kind during her natural life of that she remains a widow but if that my well beloved wife Meany Burnside marries again then I give and bequeath to her a horse saddle bridle bed bed and bed clothes her bodily apparel and a wheel

I allow all the movable property of every kind to be stayed and left on the plantation for the use of my well beloved wife and there child that is not provided for as yet and I allow these child to be school cloths and maintained on this plantation until they are provided for and then I allow them to get their part as the goes off, and I do allow each child those two negroes well known with the name which names pco. will be given to my five daughters that I will call their names here after until each one of them receives a negro child if there will be that many negro children raised and if not I allow these my daughters to have an equal part of what there will be raised until such if there receives a negro child but I do not allow any of these negroes to be sold to any other man but kept in my own family I do allow these child to be given to them for their slaves in trust next of them I allow these child to be given out when they are two or three years old. I give and bequeath to my well beloved daughter Elizabeth Kainab to her and his heirs forever one negro child. I give and bequeath to my well beloved daughter Isabella Smith and his heirs forever one negro child. I give and bequeath to my well beloved daughter Meany Burnside and his heirs forever one negro child. I give and bequeath to my well beloved daughter Margaret Burnside and his heirs forever one negro child. I give and bequeath to my well beloved daughter Martha Burnside and his heirs forever one negro child, and then if there is more negro's raised I give I bequeath to my well beloved grand son John Burnside son to Alexander Burnside one negro child to him and his heirs forever. I give and bequeath to my well beloved son John Burnside

the house and the money he got one negro child
to him and his heirs forever our third & in my
will and desire that each and every one of these
Alex. Mu. P. Holt to give my well beloved daughter
Sarah Beatty each twenty Dollars in his
property that will come his, for I think that such
has bettered than a negro child in his way of
living it is my desire that the all may have
an equal part as need as may be, and that
at my well beloved wife Mary Burnides death
or her marriage I gave and bequeath to my
two well beloved sons William Burnides and
Robert Burnides this plantation that is above
written and the other negroes also to them
and their heirs forever and I allow them to
have an equal right and title to land and
and wood land as it stands third and the
same right to the negroes and I do not allow
them to sell or rent any part of this plantation
to any other man, and I allow of either of
them two die before they come of age that the
other receives his part that is willed to him
I give and bequeath to my well beloved son Alexander Burnides that part of
my plantation whereon he now lives to him
and his heirs forever. I give and
bequeath to my well beloved daughter Margaret
Burnides a horse Saddle, Bridal a bed and
bed clothes bed beddy apparel and a wheel
and as much other property as the rest got
I give and bequeath to my well beloved daughter Margaret Burnides a horse
Saddle, Bridal a bed and bed clothes bed beddy
apparel and a wheel and as much other
property as the rest of my daughters received
I give and bequeath unto my well
beloved daughter Margaret Burnides a horse
Saddle Bridal a bed and bed clothes bed

beddy apparel and a wheel and as much other
property as the rest received, and thus when each
one of these my children gets of this part that I
have willed to them, then I do allow that my two
sons William Burnides and Robert Burnides have
an equal right to all the moveable property of
every kind that then remains, then I have done
my executors power hereafter named with the advice
of my well beloved wife Mary Burnides to let
rent or dispose of this plantation when they think
proper if that they purchase land elsewhere so that
all my children may have the same right and title
to any other plantation that is purchased as I have
willed to them on this plantation whereon I now live
then I likewise nominate constituted and appointed
my well beloved son Alexander Burnides and my
well beloved son in law Robert Smith my sole and
sole executors of this my last will and testament
and I hereby disannul revoke and disalter all and
every other former will or wills legacy or bequest
or bequeath or executors by me early time heretofore
ratifying and confirming this and no other to be
my last will and testament so witness whereof
I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day
and year above written signed sealed proclaimed
pronounced and delivered
In presence of
Tosta
John Fornie
John Gibbons

John Burnides Esq.

Bethel County April Court 1809
This last will and testament of John Burnides
dec^d was presented in Court and proved by the
oaths of John Fornie and John Gibbons and
Ordered to be recorded

Tosta Chancery Court Clerk