

certificate is granted him for obtaining probate thereof in due form
on giving security: whereupon he together with Thomas Stith & John
Wright his securities entered into & Acknowledged their Bond in the
Penalty of two hundred pounds conditioned for the said Executor due
& faithful Administration of the said Decedents Estate & performance
of his will. Liberty being reserved to Robert Nimmo the other Executor
therein named to Join in the Probate thereof when he shall think
fit.

Test.

Ja^s Steptoe (B)

Attestors
Wm
In the Name of God Amen, I Hansburr Meade of the
County of Bedford being very sick & weak in body but of Perfect mind &
memory thanks be given unto God calling unto mind the mortality of
my body & knowing that it is appointed for all men one to die do make
& declare this my Last Will & Testament that is to say Principally & first of all
give & recommend my soul into the hand of Almighty God that gave and my
body

to be recommended to the Earth to be Buried in Decent Christian burial
at the Direction of my Executors. Nothing Doubting but at the General
Resurrection I shall Receive the same again by the mighty Power of
God & as Touching such worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God
to bless me in this Life. I give devise & dispose of the same in the
following manner & form, first I give & bequeath to Franky my
dearly beloved wife all my Estate induring her life & at her death to be
divided to my Children as followeth I give to my well beloved son Thos
Meador the part of my Land whereon my houses stands beginning at
line at his line running up a branch to Philips Hip line, also I give to my
well beloved son William Meador the Remainder of my Land also I
give to my beloved Daughter Drucilla Bandy one Feather bed & furniture
also I give to my beloved Daughter Franky Dowell one feather bed &
furniture, also I give the Remainder of my Estate to be Equally divided
Between my four Children also I give to my well Beloved wife Franky
whom I likewise constitute make & ordain the sole executrix of this
my Last Will & Testament all singular my Land Messuages & Tenements

by her freely to be possessed & enjoyed & do hereby giving and
disanulling all & every other former Testaments Wills Legacies bequesthes
Ratifying & Confirming this & no other to be my Last Will & Testament
In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this sixteen
day of July in the Year of our Lord One Thousand seven hundred and Ninety
five, Signed sealed & Declared by the said Ambrose Meador as his Last
Will & Testament in Presence of us who in his Presents & in the Presents of
each other have hereunto subscribed our names.

William Hip

Isaac Hip

David Bagan

his
Ambrose Meador
made

A Court held for Bedford County the 28th day of September 1795

This Last Will & Testament of Ambrose Meador Deceased was
proved by the Oaths of Affirmation of William Hip & David Bagan Witnesses whom
names are thereunto subscribed & ordered to be recorded. And it appearing to the
Court that the Executrix named in the said Will hath departed this life
On the motion of Thomas Meador administration of all & every year the goods
Chattels & credits of s^d Decedent with the Will annexed was granted unto
him who made Oath Thereof & gave bond with ~~Wm~~ Hip & Isaac Hip
his security in the Penalty of two hundred pounds conditioned for the s^d

163 Administrators Due & faithful administration of said Decedent's
Estate & Performance of his Will. True.

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Bearers In the name of God Amen the 22^d day of August in the Year of
Will our Lord One Thousand seven hundred Ninety five Joseph Brown of
Bedford County & State of Virginia being weakly in body but of perfect mind
& Memory thanks be to god. & Calling to mind the mortality of my body and
knowing it is appointed for all men once to die do make & declare this my
Last Will & Testament. that is to say Principally & first of all. I give and
Recommend soul into the hand of Almighty God that gave it. My body
I recommend to the Earth from whence it came to be buried in a

Christian Like manner at the discretion of my Executors, 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 wherewith it has pleased God to
bless me in this Life. I give Demise & Dispose of the same in the following
Manner & form. I Give & bequeath to my beloved wife Elizabeth Brown
all my Personal Estate with the Land & appurtenances whereon now I live