

THE WILL of JOHN BARSTOW

Barstow
1788

Barstow of Bedford County being in a weak and low state of
Health out of perfect mind memory and understanding knowing
that it is appointed for all men one to die, and knowing the un-
certainty thereof, do make and ordain this my last Will & Testament
first of all I commend my Soul to Almighty God who gave it, and
my Body to the dust from whence it came, to be buried in a Christian
burial manner at the Discretion of my Executors hereafter named
and as for such worldly goods as it has been pleased God to bless me
with in this Life I dispose of in manner and form following
to wit, I give to my beloved Wife Mary Barstow to dispose of
as she pleases, all the Estate she brought with her to me at our
marriage, & also I Give to her my Plantation whereon I now
live, bounded by Otter River and my out line up to a Hecoy on
the branch adjoining David Jones line; from thence a direct line
to Otter River, running half way between my ford and my
Nephew William Barstow's land also my bay Mare, called Leah,
also four of my Hogs now fatning, also four of my out Hogs

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which she shall choose also two cows, also one Feather bed
 and furniture, which I lend as long as she my beloved wife
 Mary Banister shall live, and at her death to return to my
 Estate to be divided as shall be hereafter mentioned, also I give
 to my Nephew William Banister the Land whereon he now
 lives being all the Land on the same side of Otter River up to the
 mill line, also one Horse now in his possession, also one colt &
 three head of Cattle now in his possession which I give to him and
 his Heirs for ever, the balance of my Estate both real & personal
 to be equally divided into five equal parts and my well beloved brother
 James Banister to take two parts, the other three parts to be given
 One to my Nephew James Banister, one to my Nephew Isaac
 Banister, the One to my Nephew William Banister with
 what I have before given him, to them and their Heirs forever,
 but my just Debts must first be paid out of my Estate, and I do
 hereby appoint my well beloved Brother James Banister, and
 Henry Jeter Executors of this my last will and Testament In Wits
 witnessed, I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this nineteenth
 day of December One Thousand Eight Hundred and two
 A.D. By me signed in addition to what I have lent
 my beloved wife heretofore mentioned I lend in

my beloved wife, heretofore mentioned I send in
like manner my Pewter, my Pots, and Wooden
Cupids, also one big Seal Skin Trunk.

Signed and Acknowledged

in the presence of

Anthony Campbell

Sam. Campfield

Edmund Taylor

Thomas Phillips

Isaac Banister

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Isaac Banister

At a Court held for Wexford County at the Courthouse the 24th day
of January 1805.

His last will and testament of Isaac Banister
has been produced in Court by James Banister V. Henry Peter the
Executor named, & proved by the Oaths of Anthony Campbell
Edmund Taylor and Thomas Phillips here salescriber
witnesses; and ordered to be recorded. And on the motion of the said
Executor was made oath, and together with Calixto Brimmer and

James Hargy their securities entered into and acknowledged their
bond in the sum of \$1,000 conditioned according to Law
relative to granted them for obtaining a probate thereof
in due form.

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Isaac Banister