

James M. Murree
In The Name of God Amen. I James M. Murree of Bedford County and
Wise Colony of Virginia Planter, being weak of Body but of Sound Memory blessed be
God, do this thirtieth day of December and in the Year of our Lord God
One thousand Seven hundred Seventy and one make and Publish this
my last will and Testament in manner following that is to say
I hereby do commend my Soul into the hands of almighty God
who gave it me and my Body to the Earth from whence it came
in hopes of a Joyfull Resurrection thro' the merits of my Saviour
Jesus Christ and as for that Worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased
God to Bless me I dispose of as follows, first I give to my True and
 Loving Wife the third Part of my Estate during the Time she
 Remains my Widow and no longer also one horse and saddle
 as also Bed and Bedding and I do allow her the Profits of my
 Mill Towards the raising of my little Children and to the keeping
 of the mill in Good Repair and afterwards I do Bequeath the same

to my Youngest Son Samuel he paying the Sum of Twenty five
Pounds Current money to his Sisters when he arrives of age
and allowing him Sixty Acres of Land Joining the Mill and
the Remaining Part of that Tract I do allow ^{to} my Second Son
William he paying the Sum of Twenty five Pounds ^{to his Sisters} like money
when they arrive of age and this Plantation on which I now
dwell I do allow to be divided as followeth Between my two other
Sons I do allow my Son James one Hundred and Sixty Acres with
the Improvement he likewise paying Twenty five Pounds like money
to his Sisters when they do arrive of age and the Remaining Part
I do allow to my Son Joseph which is Two Hundred and Ten
Acres he paying likewise the Sum of Twenty five Pounds
Towards his Sisters when they come of age and I do also
allow that none of my Sons shall make Sale of their Lands
in any kind whatsoever untill such time as their youngest

Brother

Brother Samuel arrived of full age and I do allow that in case
any of my Children should die I do allow their share or shares
to be Equally divided among the Rest of my Children and as for
my Goods and Chattels I do allow to be Equally Divided among
my Children Excepting my Waggon Plows and Tackle and
wherease five Horses and I do all on my true and Loving
Wife to be my whole and Sole Executrix of this my last
Will and Testament,

Signed Sealed Published ~~and~~ declared by the said James
McMurtree as and for his Last will and Testament, in the
Presence of us whose names are hereunder Written who
did each of us subscribe our Names as Witnesses at his Request
and in his Presence in the Room where he then was

Witness

William Ahers, William Purdew

James McMurtree

David B. Smith

At a Court held for Bedford County March 24. 1772.

The within last will and Testament of James M^r Murtree deceased was
Proved by the Oaths of William Ahers and William Puroley and the
Solenn Affirmation of David Branchin (being one of the People called
Quakers) Witnesses thereto Subscribed and Ordered to be Recorded and on
the motion of Hannah M^r Murtree the Executrix therein named who
made Oath thereto Certificate is Granted her for Obtaining Probate
thereof in due form giving Security whereupon she Together with Robert
Williamson and Jonathan Hooper her Securities entered into and
Acknowledged their Bond in the Penalty of Two hundred Pounds for
the due Hannah M^r Murtrees due and faithful Administration of
the said Decedents Estate and Performance of his Will

Teste

Pa^r Stephen Clarke