

393 In the name of God amen John Phelps of the
County of Bedford do make my last Will & Testament
hereby revoking all others by me heretofore made in
any manner & form following that is to say. I leave after
the payment of all my Just Debts & funeral expenses
I give & bequeath to my Daughter Mary Hall one mare
Gail Vine one mare & one feather Bed & furniture all
of which she has already received to her & her heirs forever
I leave to my Daughter Fannina Ferguson
one feather Bed & furniture and a cow & a
calf and which she has received to her & her heirs forever
I leave to my Daughter Hannah Ferguson one
horse one mare and one feather Bed & one cow & calf
all of which she has received to her & her heirs forever
I leave to my son John Phelps one
mare one cow & calf & one feather Bed & furniture all

of which I have already said to him I reserve for me
I have also given to my son James Phelps and mine
one feather bed & a new coat of all of which I have
said to him I reserve for me I have also given to my
son Richard Phelps one negro boy Will for valuing
my natural life and after my decease it is my desire
that he shall be publicly sold by my Executors hereafter
named & the money arising therefrom to be equally
divided between my sons John Phelps James Phelps
the said Richard Phelps & Francis Virginia & I have
the said John & Francis forever I also give my son
Richard Phelps one mare one cow one dog & one
feather bed & a new coat of all of which together with the
said negro boy Will I have reserved to him & his
heirs forever with the exception of the negro
boy aforesaid mentioned I have also given to my son

3th Thomas one horse one cow one calf & one feather bed
& furniture as of which he has rec^d to him & his heirs
for ever Item 8th Give to my Daughter Betts the
grayson one negro girl named Jenny one young
mare one cow one calf one father hog all of which
she has received to her & his heirs for ever Item 9th Give
to my Daughter Lucy Haynes one negro girl named
Dorcas one feather bed & one young mare all of
which she has received I also give to her one negro
boy named Will who is now in my possession & is my
sole property in law one my said Daughter Lucy should
die without issue that the said boy should be
equally divided between my son Glenn & my Daughter
Betsey & I do in that case bequeath the same to them
& their heirs for ever Item 10th Give to my son
Glenn all the use of one hundred acres of land

himself to the use of one hundred acres of Land
Whereon he now lives to be laid off in such a manner
as will produce the least injury to the tract of Land
from which it is taken also one negro man
named Sam one horse one cow ~~one~~ ^{one} feather

Red Furnace during his natural life & after his decease
he goes to the same to his heirs forever. Item 11th
I give to my son William Dicks one hundred acres of
Land adjoining to the said land as mentioned & to
be laid off in the same manner One negro boy named
Gabriel a day wages one feather Red Furnace

One cow & calf to him & his heirs forever. Item 12th

I give to my son Washington Dicks one hundred acres
of Land adjoining the said land & one negro boy named
Brother Randolph to be laid off in the same

Master and negro boy named Bailey and young
Mare one feathered & furnished & one cow & calf
to him & his heirs forever. Item 13th I give to my
Daughter Jemmy one negro woman named Liza
one negro girl named Maria one young mare
one cow & calf & one feathered & furnished to her & her
heirs forever. Item 14th I give to my son Aaron Phelps
one negro girl named Sophia one young horse one
cow & calf & one feathered & furnished to him & his
heirs forever. Item 15th I give to my son Robert
Phelps one negro girl named Mary one young
horse one cow & calf & one feathered & furnished to
him & his heirs forever. Item 16th I give to my son John
one negro boy named Boston one young horse one
cow & calf & one feathered & furnished to him & his
heirs forever. Item 17th I give to my Daughter Betsey

her for ever. Her name is my Daughter. The
Phelps are negro. Thomas married her & they
House are now at Cal. & are both Red. I am to
her for ever. Her name is my Daughter. The
Wife is named Mary. My plantation there and made
together with the other ones. The tract of land adjoining
except the three hundred acres before mentioned to
her during her natural life. a widowhood after that
the negroes to be sold to the 5 Overton Robert & others
between
to be ~~between~~ them equally divided having respect to equality
Equality to them. Her for ever. The name is my
Young wife a negro man named Thomas and other
named today. The name is my Daughter. The
other named name (the other named name) the
named John & all their future increase for &
during her natural life or widowhood. After her

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decease I give that same to be equally divided between
my said wife's children for them & their heirs forever
It is my desire that in case any or either of my
children should decease before they receive their legacy
that the same should revert to the rest of their
brothers & sisters to be divided equally between them
also that in case any part of either of my children's
legacies should ~~be~~ ^{be} before they receive it that after my
wife's decease the same should be by my executors made
good to them ~~and~~ ^{and} the balance of my estate which is no
specifically named I give to my said wife during her
natural life or widowhood & after her decease the same
was devised her children to them & their heirs forever
And lastly I do constitute & appoint ^{my} beloved wife
Susanah ^{to} my son Washington my free & lawful
executor & I Witness L. M. H. A. C.

Saunders & William Lofgren to go to this way
last will & Testament in testimony whereof I have
hereunto set my hand & affixed my seal this thirtieth
day of January One Thousand eight hundred and one

Witness my hand & seal
John H. Stratton

Thomas Pollard

John Pollard

(A) A bar bound held for record January the 28th day of 1801
This last will & Testament of John Phelps
deceased was proved by the oath of John H. Stratton

Thomas Pollard & John Pollard Witnesses whose

names are hereunto subscribed & recorded

And on the motion of Washington Phelps & Lewis
Saunders & William Lofgren the Executors there

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Married who made with the said Certificate is granted
them for obtaining Probate thereof in due form giving
Security Whereupon they together with Charles Hooper
James Lucas Stephen Preston J. Williams & Bobbitt
their executors entered into & acknowledged their bond in
the penalty of \$1000 & the said bond was conditioned
for the said executors & faithful administration of
of the said Decedent's Estate & performance of his
Will & Liberty being reserved to Susanna Phelps the
Executrix named therein to join the Probate
thereof Which she did the 10th

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Folio of Sept 20 1801

For Inventory of the Estate of Robert Phelps
Decd as appeared the 10th of Oct 1801