

Simon
Mellers
Will

In the Name of God Amen Simon Mellers of

the Parish of Rupsel and County of Bedford being weak in Body but of
perfect Mind and Memory, blessed by God calling to attend the Mortality
of my body and that it is appointed ^{for} ~~unto~~ all men once to die, do this
Second day of June One thousand seven Hundred and eighty four
make constitute and Ordain this my last Will and Testament, to wit, First
and principally I recommend my Soul into the Hands of Almighty God
in whose Hand I am beseeching his most gracious acceptance thereof, and
nothing doubting but I shall receive at the General Resurrection by the
mighty Power of God. My Body I commit to the Earth from whence it
was taken to be buried in a decent Manner at the Discretion of
my Executors hereafter mentioned, and as touching such worldly Estate
as I possess I give to bless me with in this Life I give and dispose
of in manner and form following to wit, First I desire that all my
Just Debts may be paid which I shall owe at my Decease. Then I send unto
my beloved Wife Ann Mellers during her Natural Life or Widowhood
five Acres viz Big Barny, Dick, Pig, Dunah, Young Henry & Pig
also One Childs part of all my Stock except my three Horse including
Horses Cattle Sheep &c. Also it is further my Desire that my beloved Wife
shall have the use of all my household Furniture excepting two

great Negroes viz. Big Barry, I do give unto my young Son
also One Child part of all my Stocks Except my Shoo Horse consisting
Horses Cattle Sheep &c. Also it is further my Desire that my beloved Wife
shall have the use of all my household Furniture excepting two
Feather Beds and Furniture during her Natural Life & Widowhood
Then I give and bequeath unto my three Sons Thomas Miller John
Miller and William Miller my Land which lyeth in Bedford County
according to Lines which is already run Simon to enjoy the upper
Part John the middle part & William the lower part I do give it to
them to their Heirs and Assigns forever. Item I give and bequeath unto
my Son Simon Miller Three Negroes viz. Jacob Rose Keller I do
give them to him his Heirs and Assigns forever; also I do give unto
my Son Simon Miller One black Mare that he has in possession on
Condition that he payeth unto Susanna Caloway her Heirs or Assigns
Twenty five Pounds specie within six months ^{from} the Date hereof
I do give her to him his Heirs or Assigns forever. Item I give unto my Son
Simon Miller my Old Horse which is call'd the Roe buck on Condition
that he payeth up a Bond that Ballard has against me for one
Hundred Pound I do give the said Horse to him his Heirs or Assigns
forever. Item I give and bequeath unto my Son John Miller two
Negroes viz. David & Fallow & a Gall & a Guel also one Fennouge

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Gold which he has now in Popafeson also One Feather Bed and Furniture
 I do give it to him his Heirs or assigns forever. I then I give and bequeath
 unto my son William Miller Two Negroes Viz James a Yellow one &
 Hannah a Girl also One Bay Horse which he has now in Popafeson
 also One Feather Bed & Furniture I do give it to him his Heirs or
 assigns forever. I then I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Ann Dickman
 Three Negroes Viz Sarah her Child Jude and a Boy called Jerry also
 One Black Horse which she has in Popafeson I do give it to her her
 Heirs or assigns forever. I then I give and bequeath unto my Daughter
 Sally a Black Girl Jack and Jude & their Increase which she has now
 in Popafeson. I do give them to her her Heirs or assigns forever. I then
 I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Susanna Callaway Two
 Negroes David Perry & Liberty and her Increase which she has
 now in Popafeson I do give them to her her Heirs or assigns forever. I then
 I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Margarette Toke Viz Two
 Negroes & a Man & Toke I do give them to her her Heirs or assigns
 forever. It is further my desire that my Negro boy Frank shall
 be sold to pay my Debts. I then I give and bequeath unto my seven
 Children Viz Simon John William Sally Susanna Margarette & Helen
 all my Estate to be equally divided among them at the Death of
 me.

all my Estate to be equally Divided among them at the Death of
my beloved Wife I do give it to them their Heirs or assigns forever.
Further it is my Desire that if any of my Children should die
before they are of lawful Age or have lawful Issue, that their
Legacy Left them should be equally divided among the surviv-
ing Children or their Issues, and I do appoint my beloved Wife
Ann Miller Simon Miller & John Miller to be Executors to this
my last Will and Testament in Witness whereof I have hereunto
set my Hand and Seal this day and Year above written.

Signed Seal and
Presence of

Simon Miller

Entered before signed & blotted out before signed.

Teste

William Cavanaugh, Ann Anderson, Catherine Anderson
Mark

Mar Court held for Bedford County at the Court House the 28th day
of February 1785. This last Will and Testament of Simon Miller deceased
was proved by the Oaths of William Cavanaugh, Ann Anderson, & Catherine
Anderson Witnesses thereto & Ordered to be Recorded. And on the Motion of
Ann Miller & Simon Miller, two of the Executors therein named who make

ing children or their Issues, and I do appoint my beloved Wife
Ann Miller Simone Miller & John Miller to be Executors to this
my last Will and Testament in Witness whereof I have hereunto
set my Hand and Seal this day and year above written.

Signed Seal &c

Presence of

William Miller

Witness

Entered lined before signed & blotted out before signed.

Teste

William Cavanaugh, Ann Anderson, Catherine Anderson
Mark

A Court held for Bedford County at the Court House the 28th day
of February 1785. This last Will and Testament of Simone Miller deceased
was proved by the Oaths of William Cavanaugh, Ann Anderson & Catherine
Anderson Witnesses thereto & Ordered to be recorded. And on the Motion of
Ann Miller & Simone Miller, two of the Executors therein named who made
Oath thereto Certificate is granted them for obtaining Probate thereof in
due form on giving security to wit from they together with William
Reed, Archelaus Allen & William Callaway their Associates

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entered into & acknowledged their Bond in the Penalty of three
Thousand Pounds for the said Executors true & faithful
administration of the said Decedent's Estate, & performance
of his Will. Liberty being reserved to the other Executor
herein mentioned to join in the Probate when he shall
think fit.

Teste Jas. Kepley Cl. B. Cus.

Ex.

Nathaniel
Mansons
Inventory } In Inventory of the Estate of Nathaniel a Manson deceased
Inventory } with the appraisement annexed viz.

Slaves. Will appraised to £100 - Batty £65	£165 0 0
1 Bed & Furniture £8 - 1 Ditto Ditto £7	15 0 0
1 Small Ditto Ditto	5 0 0
3 Bed Steads with Cords	1 2 6
6 Chairs 15/ 1 Chest of 1 Small D. 1/6	1 2 6
1 Table of Sundry Pewter 18/	1 3 0
Sundry Earthen Ware	1 4 0
Sundry Glass Ware	0 3 6
1 Pair of 15/ 1 Pair of 10/ 1 Pair of 10/	2 11 6