

Burgess's
Will

In the name of God AMEN William Burgess of Bedford County in
the Colony of Virginia being very sick and weak in body but of perfect mind and
Memory thanks be given to Almighty God, calling unto mind the mortality of my
Body and knowing that it is Appointed for all men once to die do make and Ordain this
my last Will and Testament That is to say principally and first of all I give and recommend
my soul into the hand of Almighty god that gave it and my Body I recommend to the
Earth to be buried in decent Christian Burial at the Discretion of my Executors nothing
 doubting but at the general resurrection I shall Receive the same again by the power of Almighty
god and as touching such worldly Estate wherewith it has pleased god to bless me in
this Life I give devise and dispose of the same in the following Manner and form

I Give and Bequeath to Wall T. Burgess of Thuanan County his heirs or assigns
Two Hundred Acres of Land being part of my Tract of Land in Thuanan County
to have 200 Acres more or less beginning on Burn Branch running up until stone branch
to Lewis Venables line thence to Edonell John Potts line take then other's place
line thence to the Beginning at Birds Creek Item I give and Bequeath to my sons
Edward and John Burgess Two Hundred Acres of Land more or less lying on the
side of Bird Creek and joining with stone Branch being part of my Tract of Land
in Thuanan County the said to be sold and the money to be Equally divided Between
my aforesaid sons Edward and John Burgess

Two Hundred Acres of Land being part of my Tract of Land in Maryland County
to have 200 Acres more or less. Beginning at Stone Branch running up mill stone branch
to Lewis Venable's line thence to Edonell John Potts line take then the S. East
line thence to the Beginning at Birds Creek. Item I give and Bequeath to my sons
Edward and John Burges Two Hundred Acres of Land more or less lying on each
side Birds Creek and joining mill stone Branch being part of my Tract of Land
in Maryland County the said to be sold and the money to be Equally divided between
my aforesaid sons Edward and John Burges Item I give and Bequeath to my son
William Burges of Maryland County Two hundred Acres of Land more or less being
part of my Tract of Land in Maryland on the North side of Birds Creek and
being the place whereon my said son William Burges now dwells I give and bequeath
to my son Tho^s Burges one hundred and fifty one Acres Land being the place whereon
now dwells in Bedford County but my dear Beloved Wife Susannah Burges is to have it
as long as she remains a Widow I Bequeath to my said son Tho^s Burges my two years
Old Boy more or less and my other children I Bequeath to my Daughter Isable Burges five
Pounds Current money of Virginia Item I Bequeath to my Daughter Mary
Burges five Pounds Current money of Virginia Item I Bequeath to my Daughter
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I hereby Burges five pounds Current Money of Virginia Item I Bequeath 10
my Daughter Betty Burges Twenty pounds Current Money of Virginia Item I
Bequeath to my Daughter Susanah Burges Twenty pounds Current money
of Virginia. Item I Bequeath my Negroe Wench Piana to be sold to the
Highest bidder and the money to be put to my other Cash, and after all my
Debts and Demands are paid the Remainder to be Equally divided amongst
all my Children Item I Bequeath to my dear Beloved Wife Susanah Burges
all the rest of my Stock and Moveable Effects During the time she remains a
widow Then to be sold and the Cash Equally divided amongst my Children
I also doe constitute my Beloved Wife Susanah Burges and Executor
and my son Edward Burges my sole Executor of this my last Will and
Testament and I doe hereby utterly disallow Heirhe and Dannah all
and every other former Testaments Wills of Legacies Requests and Executor
by me in any way before made and Bequeathed Transfers and
Confirming this and no Other to be my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof
I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this Twenty third day of April in the Year
of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and seventy eight
Signed sealed pronounced and Delivered by the said
William Burges as his last Will and Testament In the

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Presence of us

Edward Moore

Henry Gentry

William Johnson
Mark

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William X Burgess
Mark

It is Court held for Bedford County the 27th day July 1778

The last Will and Testament of William Burgess Deceased was proved by the Oaths of Edward Moore and William Johnson Witnesses thereto subscribed and Ordered to be Recorded And on the petition of Susannah Burgess and Edward Burgess the Executors named in said Will thereto, Certificate is granted them for obtaining probate in due form giving security whereupon they Together with Nathaniel Tate and Thomas Hall their securities entered into and Acknowledged to be in the penalty of Eight Hundred Pounds for the said Executors due and faithful Administration of the said Decedent's Estate and performance of his Will

Teste J. Steptoe Cl.