

John Sturdivant
Will

In the name of God Amen I John Sturdivant of
Brunswick County being of sound mind & disposing memory
for which I thank God, and being desirous to dispose of all such
worldly Estate as it hath pleased God to bless me with after
my Just debts and Funerall Expences are paid I give & Bequeath
the same in manner following that is to say, I Item I leave unto
my beloved Wife Susanna Sturdivant two hundred and Eighty
Eight Acres of Land being the middle part of the Tract whereon
I now live between the Land Called Curtises Tract & the Tract
adjoining Benja. Shays Mill pond also I leave unto her ~~four~~
Negroes by name Jacob, Milley, Dick, & Minerva two Horses
by name of Little Jarry & Jarry Kipper also four Cows & Calves,
two Sows & Pigg, half a dozen sitting Chairs, one Bed & furniture
one Chest. The Land & other property is tent no longer than
her widowhood. I Item I give unto my Son Jesse Sturdivant
three hundred & sixty Acres of Land Beginning on my back
line Running due North & South To Begin on Bottoms I
Bottoms lines also four Negroes by Name, Sam, Lippus, Tom,
& Robin, one Bed & Furniture, one Chest to him & his heirs
forever, I Item I give unto my Son Lucas Sturdivant three
Hundred & Forty Acres of Land Beginning on the back line
running due North & South to the Creek also four Negroes by
name, Ben, Daniel, Larry & Kipper, one Bed & Furniture, two
Horses by Name hoping Mare & a Boy, both, one Chest to him
& his Heirs forever; But should my son Lucas Sturdivant die without
Lawful Issue, all the Estate I give him to be equally divided
among my surviving Children and ever Three Grands Children
Nanny, Becky Robertson, Suggitt, Benjamin Suggitt, & Edgcomb
Suggitt, I Item I give unto my Daughter Lucy Sturdivant five
Negroes by name of Janny, her Child Amy, Jilly, & her Childs Peggan
& Tony, one Bed & Furniture one Chest, one Dressing Table, also
my Riding Horse, Bridle & a woman's saddle, one Cow & calf, six
sitting Chairs to her & her Heirs forever, I Item I give unto my
Daughter Betty better Sturdivant four Negroes by names
Jack, which I have lent to my wife during her widowhood,
Mantons, & Jarry one Bed & furniture one Jilly,

one which, melons & calf to her & her heirs forever, But in case she should die without a lawful heir, the above mentioned Property to go to my Children viz Jesse Stewardant, Lucas Stewardant, Lucy Stewardant, & my three Grand Children, Bechy Robertson Suggitt Benj^r Suggitt & Edycourt Suggitt

Item I give unto my grand Daughter Bechy Robertson Suggitt one Negro Girl such as she has & her heirs forever, Item I give unto my grand son Benj^r Suggitt one Negro Girl, Bechy to him & his heirs forever

Item I give unto my grand son Edycourt Suggitt one Negro Boy Peter to him & his heirs forever, But should be either of my three grand Children mentioned die without Lawful Issue it shall go to the surviving ones & in case all of them should die without Lawful Issue the Estate shall then pass & go to my Children Jesse Stewardant Lucas Stewardant, & Lucy Stewardant

Item The two Hundred & Eighty Eight acres of Land which I have bought, my wife should she marry I wish to be sold & the money Equally divided among my surviving Children, Item my will & desire is that an old Negro woman Hannah should be well Supported out of my Estate

Item My desire is that a Negro woman Judah may be sold, and the money arising therefrom to go in discharge of my debts if wanted, otherwise to be Equally Divided among my Children then living & my three grand Children above mentioned, Item I send unto my wife Susannah Stewardant during her widowhood all the Residue of my Estate not before mentioned then to be Equally divided among my Children then living, Lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my Friends Robert Hardaway, William Walker Jun^r Jesse Stewardant Executors of this my last Will & Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this eight day of June in the year 1805

Signed Sealed, published & declared
for the last Will & Testament of the
above named Jas. Stewardant in
presence of us

John Stewardant

Sarah Hardaway
Patsy Collier
Polly C. Hicks

Brunswick County Court September 23rd 1805

This last Will & Testament of John Stewardant dec^d was proved by the Oaths of Sarah Hardaway & Polly Hicks witnesses thereto & ordered to be recorded and on the motion of Robert Hardaway one of the Executors therein named who made oath thereto according to law & together with Edward Walker Jesse Stewardant, David Walker & Josiah Mears his securities interceded & acknowledged a Bond in the penalty of Five thousand

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conditioned as the law directs certificate is granted him for obtaining a probat thereof in due form Liberty being reserved the other executors therein named to join in the sd probate when they think fit.

Teste
Herbert Hill cbb

Executed

Roger Tillman
Wife

In the name of God amen I Roger Tillman of Brunswick County and state of Virginia be in perfect mind and sound memory and knowing it is appointed for all Men me to Die do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament, I prosper in it is my will and desire that all my just debts should be paid (and the remainder of my Estate I dispose of in the following manner I give and bequeath unto Sarah Burge my Man, and all the increase that should ^{arise} from her also my Bridle and all other accounts either by Bond or any other instrument of Writing also the Negroes and Land that I have purchased of the Slaves of Owen Myrick Decided which he set free by his last Will & Testament my Chalk and Bag of Gw to my Brother William and all my Clothes, But first to Sarah Burge all her proportionable part. To her and her Heirs forever and then the remainder to my Brother William Tillman and his Heirs forever. I do appoint Isaac Williams & John Wyche as my sole & sole Executor of this my last Will & Testament In this the 27th day of March 1805
Teste

Roger Tillman ^{Seal}

Brunswick County Court October 28th 1805

This last Will & Testament of Roger Tillman said was presented in Court & there being no Objection therunto subscribed, Thomas Burge & Isaac Sealtetter being sworn deposed as follows, the said Burge deposed that he saw the said Tillman write the said instrument & that he believed he was in his perfect sense & memory and the said Sealtetter declared that he believes the same to be wholly written by the said Tillman, and the Court being thereof satisfied the same is ordered to be recorded.

Executed

Teste
Herbert Hill cbb