

John
Lightfoot's
will

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In the Name of God Amen I John Lightfoot of
the County of Brunswick and Parish of Saint Andrews
being sick and weak and in my perfect senses and being
sensible of the uncertain state of this mortal life do make
this my last Will and Testament in manner and form
following. Imprimis My Soul I assign into the hands of
Almighty God through the merits & mediation of our
Saviour Jesus Christ Item I give and bequeath unto my
beloved Wife Molly Lightfoot all that Tract and parcel of
Land that I bought of M^r Thomas Worridge lying and
being in the County of Brunswick aforesaid to her and
her heirs forever. Item I also give and bequeath unto my
beloved Wife all that Tract of Land I bought of James
Speed lying and being in the County of Brunswick
aforesaid to her and her heirs forever. Item I give and

being in the County of Brunswick and she to have
her heirs forever. Item I also give and bequeath unto my
beloved wife all that Tract of Land I bought of James
Speed lying and being in the County of Brunswick
aforesaid to her and her heirs forever. Item I give and
bequeath unto my beloved Wife all that Tract and parcel
of Land I bought of William Myche lying and being also
in the aforesaid County of Brunswick to her and her heirs
forever. Item I likewise give and bequeath unto my beloved
wife my Lot in the City of Williams wherein Doctor May
now lives with all the appurtenances thereunto belonging
to her and her heirs forever. Item I give and bequeath
unto my beloved Wife one thousand Pounds current money
of Virginia to her and her heirs forever. Item my Will

is that after my private debts are settled that my
wife shall have what money is due thereon and if there
should not be as much as amounts to Five hundred Pounds
current money of Virginia it is my will that that sum be
paid out of my Estate to her Item I give and bequeath unto
my beloved wife my Chariot and the following Horses Viz.
Spanker, Gains, Semmer, Smoother Grey, Parish, Shakers,
Mare Briggs, & Mare Smith, to her and her heirs forever
Item I also give and bequeath unto my beloved wife my small
Chair and Chariot Harnes to her and her heirs forever
Item I also give and bequeath unto my beloved wife all
my household furniture to her and her heirs forever Item
I give and bequeath unto my Loving Brother William
Lightfoot three thousand pounds current money of Virginia
Item I give and bequeath unto my Brother Amestead
Eight hundred one thousand pounds current money of Virginia

Eight foot three thousand pounds current money of Virginia
Item I give and bequeath unto my Brother Armestead

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Eight foot one thousand pounds current money of Virginia
Item I give and bequeath unto James Burnwell son of
Nathaniel Bacon Burnwell dec^d Two hundred and fifty
pounds current money of Virginia Item I give and
bequeath unto Elizabeth Burnwell Daughter of Nathaniel
Bacon Burnwell two hundred pounds current money of
Virginia Item I give and bequeath unto my beloved Wife
all my stock of cattle Hogs and sheep to her and her heirs
forever Item I give and bequeath unto James black all
the money he now stands Indebted to me Item I give and
bequeath unto Betty black Doty black and Sallie black
Daughters of James black aforesaid Two hundred pounds
current money of Virginia to be equally divided amongst
them Item I give and bequeath unto Haridge black Fifty

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all my stock of cattle Hogs and Sheep to her and her heirs
forever Item I give and bequeath unto James Black all
the money he now stands Indebted to me Item I give and
bequeath unto Betty Black Dolly Black and Sallie Black
Daughters of James Black aforesaid two hundred pounds
current money of Virginia to be equally divided amongst
them Item I give and bequeath unto Horidge Black Fifty
pounds current money of Virginia towards his Education
Item I give and bequeath unto John Black Son of James
all the money he now stands Indebted to me Item I give and

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bequeath unto William Claiborne son of James Two hundred
and fifty pounds current Money of Virginia Item I give
and bequeath unto Herting Thourton Senr Two hundred pounds
current Money of Virginia Item I give and bequeath unto
William Thourton Senr of Gloucester County the sum of one
hundred and seventy five pounds current Money of Virginia
Item I give and bequeath unto my loving wife the farther
sum of Twenty pounds current Money of Virginia

I constitute and appoint my Brother William
Lightfoot Lewis Burwell of Gloucester William Nelson
and Thomas Nelson Esqr Executors of this my last Will
and Testament Witness my hand and seal this Twentieth
day of April one thousand Seven hundred and fifty and one

Signed Sealed and delivered

In Presence of us

B. Harrison

C. Courtney

John Lightfoot (S)

Nich. Maysenburg

Virginia's Will At a General Court held at the Courthouse in
Williamsburgh November the 6th 1753

The Honble William Nelson & Thomas Nelson Esquires
Two of the Executors named in this Will personally in Court
refused to take upon them the Burthen of the Executions
thereof or to prove the same

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Ben Waller Esq. Clk.

To the Worshipful Court of Brunswick County
Whereas I have been informed that Mr John Lightfoot
deceased did by his last Will and Testament appoint me
one of his Executors and as I am incapable of discharging
that Duty I hereby Renounce the office of an Executor In
Witness whereof I have set my hand and Seal this fifth
day of November 1753

Lewis Curnell (L.S.)

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Gentlemen. As it is not in my power to attend the Court ~
think it my duty to acquaint you by Letter that I have
no Intentions of proving the Will as Executor of my deceased
Brother John Lightfoot but have delivered it to Mr Robert
Ruffin to whom I think the Right of Administration
belongs. I am y^r very humble Serv^t Will Lightfoot
Sedington Decem^r 25th 1751

To the Worshipful Court of Brunswick

At a Court held for Brunswick County ~
the 31st day of December 1751. ~

This Will these Certificates and this Letter were presented
in Court by Robert Ruffin of the County of Surry Gent.
who made Oath to the said Will according to Law and
the same was proved by the Oath of black Courtners w^h
witness thereto and together with the said Certificates
and Letter Ordered to be recorded and Certificate granted

Witness thereto and together with the said certificates
and Letter Ordered to be recorded and Certificate granted
the said Robert Buthor for obtaining Letters of
Administration of the Estate of the said Decedent
therewith annexed in due form he having with him
Barham Littleton Jazewell Drury Hiltz and James
Black his Securies entered into and acknowledged Bond
in the penalty of Twenty thousand pounds with
condition according to Law

Exam.

Teste Lth. Jazewell. ex. cur.

Walter In pursuance of an Order of Brunswick County Court bearing date the
Campbell twenty fourth day of September last past we the Subscribers have
appraisement been first sworn before Nicholas Lamer Gent one of his Majesty's
Justices of the peace for the said County having received the Estate
of Walter Campbell Gent decd as follows to wit
Nov^r 9th 1755 To 28 Hogs Large and small

To 1 Pig & 2 Swine