

The Rev. John
Newison
Will

In the name of God amen. I John Newison of the
County of Brunswick and Parish of Meherin being of perfect mind and memory
Thanks to Almighty God for the same but considering that nothing is more certain
than Death and nothing is more uncertain than the time and manner thereof
am resolved to settle my worldly affairs and make this my last Will and
Testament in manner and form following Inprimis I comend and
recommend my Soul to almighty God as unto a faithfull Creator humbly
hoping to be saved by his free Grace and Mercy through the merits and in-
terception of his Dear Son the Lord Jesus Christ my only Saviour & Redeemer
And as to all such estate and worldly possession as it hath pleased God to
bestow on me and I do now enjoy I give and dispose thereof in manner
following I give and bequeath unto my Son John Newison the plantation I
purchased of Mr. Lewis Parham and also as much of the lower end of the
Plantation I bought of Mr. Benjamin Chapman as will make up the quantity
of five hundred Acres to my said Son and his heirs for ever except as shall
be hereafter excepted, Item I devise my Silver Watch to my Son John
Newison Item I give and bequeath unto my Son Littleton Newison the upper &
remaining part of the plantation I purchased of Benjamin Chapman which
should be three hundred and fifty acres

and I give and bequeath unto my son Littleton Newison the upper & remaining part of the plantation I purchased of Benjamin Chapman which should be three hundred and sixty three Acres be left or more to my said son and his heirs for ever Item I give and Bequeath to my son William Newison two hundred pounds Item I give and bequeath to my son Robert Newison two hundred pounds Item my Will and desire is if the Money due to me at my decease should be sufficient to pay the above legacies given to my two son William & Robert Newisons that then the deficiency may be raised out of my estate by the Sale of some Negroes before a division be made if it cannot be done by the Sale of some of personal estate Item I devise to my son John Newison my large looking glass Item I give unto my son Littleton Newison six of my Silver Table Spoons Item I give to my son William Newison the other six of my Silver Table spoons Item I give to my son Robert Newison my Silver dividing Spoon Set of Tea Spoons and Tongs Item it is my will and desire that the lands and other things before devised and my Slaves remain undivided on the plantations aforesaid and that my wife and Children be maintained out of the profits of the same until my son John shall arrive to the Age of twenty one years or til the Marriage of my wife at either of which times I desire that a division of my estate may be made allowing my beloved wife Ann Newison three hundred Acres of the land which is now in the possession of my son Littleton Newison

two hundred pounds. Item my Will and desire is if the Money due to me at my
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wife Ann Nevison three hundred Acres of the land to be divided to her

out the upper end and so downwards in the following the River

and his Heirs for ever I also give

one third part of all my Slaves to her during her Natural life and after her
 Death to be equally divided among my Children I also devise that the other two
 thirds of my Slaves be equally divided among the Children Item I give to
 my wife Ann Newison my riding Chair and one half part of my Household
 Furniture not before devised and also one half of all my Stocks of what
 Nature or kind so ever to her & her disposal Item It is my will and
 desire that in case my Executors hereafter named or the Survivors or
 survivors of them shall think it more for my Childrens advantage that some
 of the Negroes be hired out that then they as aforesaid have full power to hire
 out the same as they in their discretion shall think best and also that they
 have the care management of my Children and their estate Item in case
 any of my Children should die before they arrive to the age of twenty one
 years then such Childs estate so dying be it of what nature or kind so ever
 or kind so ever shall be equally divided among my Children who shall
 be then a live Lastly I nominate and appoint my beloved wife Ann
 Newison and my Friends Allan Love and John Fagwell Executors to
 this my last will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set
 my hand and affixed my Seal this twenty ninth day of April one
 thousand seven hundred eighty eight

thousand seven hundred forty eight

Signed Sealed and delivered

by the testator to be his last

Will in presence of

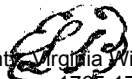
James Wall

Benjamin Chapman

At a Court held for Brunswick County the
27th Day of November 1769 -

This Will was presented

in Court by Anne Newson and Allen Love two of the Executors therein named
who made oath thereto according to Law and the same being proved by the
oath of Benjamin Chapman one of the Witnesses thereto and is ordered to be
recorded Anon the Motion of the said Executors who together with William
Fanning and Silvanus Stokes their Security; Entered into and acknowledge
their Bonds in the penalty of five thousand pounds with condition according to -
Law certificate is granted them for obtaining a probat thereof in due form

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