

In the name of God Amen. I James O. Ferguson of the County of Buckingham
ham and State of Virginia being of sound and disposing mind, do make this
my last Will and Testament in manner and form following:

1st I wish my funeral expenses and all my just debts to be paid.
2nd I wish my crops and all my perishable property to be first
sold, and the proceeds thereof to be applied to the payment of my debts, and
should there be insufficient to pay them, I wish my real estate to be sold,
or such part thereof as may be sufficient for that purpose, and the re-
mainder including the dwelling house reserved for a home for my mother.

3rd I wish, in the event of its being necessary to sell all my
real estate, to reinvest the proceeds, or such part thereof as may be
left, after paying all my debts, in other lands as in the judgment
of my Executor may appear best, so as to provide a home for my mother.

4th I give to my mother during her natural life all my earthly
goods, say all my real estate, and the following negro slaves, my two
men Andrew and Squire, and my woman Abby and her three chil-
dren, and their future increase.

5th At the death of my mother, I give to my three sisters Leah, Lucy and Judith all my earthly goods, both real and personal, to be equally
divided between them.

6th I hereby constitute and appoint Dr. Wm. Brown my Executor,
and authorize and empower him to sell and convey all or any part of my
real estate, and reinvest the proceeds in whole or in part as he may think
best, so as to execute the provisions of this my last Will and Testament.

James O. Ferguson (Seal)
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5th At the death of my mother, I give to my three sisters Leah, Lucy and Judith all my earthly goods, both real and personal, to be equally divided between them.

6th I hereby constitute and appoint Dr W. Brown my Executor, and authorize and empower him to sell and convey all or any part of my real estate, and reinvest the proceeds in whole or in part as he may think best so as to execute the provisions of this my last Will and Testament.

Signed, sealed and acknowledged

James P. Ferguson (Seal)

in the presence of
James M. Dunkum
John R. Layne

At a Court held for Dunkingham County the 14th day of April 1862. This last Last Will and Testament of James P. Ferguson, dec^d was produced in Court, and proved by the oath of John R. Layne, one of the subscribing witnesses thereto. And at another day to wit. At a Court held for said County the 14th day of September 1863, the said Will was further proved by the oath of James M. Dunkum, the other subscribing witness thereto, and ordered to be recorded. And on the motion of John W. Brown, the Executor named in said Will, who made oath thereto, and entered

into and acknowledged book with accuracy, conditioned according to law, certificate was granted the said Executor for obtaining a duplicate of the said Will in due form.

Teste R. K. Irving, C. B. C.

Buckingham County Court Clerk's Office January 12, 1870. This attests copy of the last Will and Testament of James P. Ferguson deceased heretofore recorded in the Clerk's Office of the County Court of Buckingham County, the book containing the record of said Will, ^{and the original Will itself} having been lost or destroyed, was this day produced in my Office and admitted to record anew.

Teste B. M. Pratt, C. B. C.

At a Circuit Court continued and held for Buckingham County on Saturday the 18th day of September 1869.

Fleming Gooch

Plt.

Oscar D. Jordan and Bettie M., his wife, Wm M. Pierce and Julia E., his wife.

Deft.

This cause having been in all respects regularly matured, came on this day to be heard on the petition together with the Journal, evidence and report of Special Commissioner R. T. Hubard Jr. in which said report there is no exception, and the Court approving doth confirm the same. and the Court being satisfied that the Will of Dabney P. Gooch deceased dated 23rd Feby 1864 with a codicil thereto dated 23rd of October 1864 were duly proved and admitted to record by the County Court of Buckingham at the April term thereof 1868, and the plaintiff allows to

Gooch

vs

Jordan &c

D. P. Gooch's Will