

In the Name of God Amen. I Samuel Ship of the County of Caroline
and the Parish of St. Mary's being sick and weak in body but of sound and
perfect memory and knowing the uncertainty of this mortal life do make and
declare this my Last and Testament, in manner and form following

I Give to my beloved wife my negro girl Jimmy, and all my household
furniture, of Stock of every kind also my Crops and every debt due to me either upon
bond or oral Acc^t to dispose of as she thinks proper also my Land bought of

Benjamin Saxe after paying all my Just Debts out of the above goods and
Chattles. I also leave her all the rest of my estate during her natural life.

I Give unto my brother Richard Ship four daughters namely
Mary Ship Betty D. Ship. Narcissa Ship, & Sophia Ship, after my
decease in full death, all my negroes that I now possess namely Esther, Judy,
Jacob and Luce, also all the increase that may hereafter arise from the D.
negroes to them & their heirs forever, and if either of the said Girls namely
Mary Ship, Betty D. Ship, Narcissa Ship or Sophia Ship should die
I have no upon law fully begotten my desire is that her proportion should

any ship, But my D. Ship Narcissa, or Sophia ship should die
I have no other lawfully begotten my desire is that her proportion should
be divided equally among the sisters then surviving. Lastly I
constitute and appoint my beloved wife Est^r and M^r Jonathan Funnell
Executor to this my last will and Testament In witness whereof I have hereunto
set my hand and seal this thirtieth day of April in the year of our Lords
one thousand seven hundred and eighty seven.

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Signed sealed and Delivered
in the presence of
Wm^m Boutwell

Samuel Ship Seal

Caroline July Court 1788

The last Will and Testament of Samuel Shipdencand was
proved by one witness and ordered to be Certified & on the motion
of Thomas Haigher & on his taking the oath
required by Law & entering into Bond a Certificate
is granted him for obtaining Letters of Ad-
ministration with the Will Annexed

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Attest
J. Fendley Secy