

Original In the Name of God Amen I Thomas Collins of the County of
Charlotte County Virginia full of years and sound and perfect disposing mind
& I Charles the sick and weak of body last of sound and perfect disposing mind
and memory do make publick and ordain my last Will and Testament in
manner and form following. I give and Devise to my beloved wife Sarah
Collins a riding horse Saddle and bridle, all my house hold
Furniture & Furnitures to use of mourning. I also give to my said wife, during
her natural life, my negro man slave named Stephen. I give and
Devise to my Daughter Elizabeth and to her heirs, my tract of Land in
the District of Kentucky on the south side of the Ohio River, devised to
me by the will of my father Thomas Collins. I also give and Devise to my
said Daughter Elizabeth one negro slave named Phebe and a Girl named Sarah
to her and her heirs. I also give my said Daughter and her heirs my slave
Stephen after the Death of my wife and not before. I also give my said
Daughter Elizabeth the whole remainder of my Personal Estate, that out
of such estate she may be by ^{the Guardian or 1774} secretaries collected supported and such
concerns furnished her during her minority as they in their Discretion
may deem necessary and to her advantage and comfort. I order and
Direct that my Tract of Land on Twitts Creek formerly George Sallwats
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to obtain the Value and I desire they are hereby fully empowered to make proper
conveyance to the purchaser in fee simple or fully and amply as I could
or might do it being and the same arising from such sale after discharging
my Just Bills I give to my Daughter Elizabeth. - I give and Devise
to my Daughter Elizabeth the whole Remainder of my Estate Rights and
Estate Interests and Demands of every Nature or kind now as well
what may be due to me from my father's Estate as from the Estate of
my Deceased brother Charles better being in no manner disposed to submit to the
establishment of his unauthorised Will as Established by the Charlotte Court.
But Be it known that no legacy to my Daughter Elizabeth is intended to operate in
her favour unless she attains the age of eighteen years or shall marry and my
true intent and meaning is that she be entitled to nothing more than a
support and education until one of those events shall happen, and in case
of her dying before the age of eighteen unmarried. In that case I give to my
brother Dabney better my Lands in Newbury to him and his heirs, and
that my other Estate devised to Elizabeth be Divided between my brothers &
Sisters except Dabney my sister Patsy a Double portion of any of the others
I desire that my executors do make by Deed or otherwise to my wife
I at her

Estate Inheritance and Demands of every Nature or kind I have as well
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my Deceased brother Charles Collier King in no manner disposed to submit to the
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her favour unless she attains the age of eighteen years & shall marry and my
true intent and meaning is that she be entitled to nothing more than a
support and education until one of those events shall happen, and in case
of her dying before the age of eighteen unmarried. In that case I give to my
brother Dabney Collier my Lands in Kentucky to him and his heirs, and
that my other Estate devolves to Elizabeth he Deceased, between my brothers &
Sisters except Dabney my sister Betsey a Double portion of any of the others
I desire that my executors do make by Deed or otherwise to my uncle
Joseph Collier a Totten before London one forty Acres of Land in Ball's
Creek on Spies Creek which the said Joseph hath a right to
formerly purchased in the name of Moses Collier. I mean that they
shall convey him no proportion only, I claim a right thereto.
I further having a cash of coin and what is in the hands of James
Hamblin Town of the County of Cumberland I give that to my wife

for the immediate support of my family, any thing in this will to the
contrary notwithstanding. Lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my
friends John Collins, Paul Arrington and James Hamblitt Executors to this
will, desiring it to be my last, in Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my
hand and affixed my seal the 23. day of April 1791.

Signed sealed published and Declared by the Testator
to be his last Will & Testament in presence of ^{to} Benjamin Collins & S. S.
Hamblitt Collins Arrington Henry X Collins ^{not}

I Benjamin Collins being still weak in body but of sound mind and
memory do annex this Codicil to my above mentioned will and Testament
upon more mature Deliberations of the proper Disposition of my Estate I do
expressly desire and bequeath that in case my Daughter Elizabeth dies before she
arrives to the age of eighteen years or her marriage in that case my beloved wife
Sarah Gaines Collins shall enjoy during her natural life all the Estate Real
and Personal, which I have in the above Will devised and bequeathed to my
said Daughter Elizabeth except my two hundred and some Acres Devised to Poling
Collins; My further will is that if my Daughter Elizabeth should die
before eighteen years of age or marriage and after the death of my wife
Sarah Gaines Collins, in that case I give all my Estate except my land in Kentucky
above given to my Daughter Elizabeth.

...James Collins. in that case I gave all my Estate except my land in Kentucky
above given to my Daughter Elizabeth to be equally divided between my Brothers
and Sisters or their representatives (except William to whom the Kentucky
Land is devised) my Sister Dorothy to be allowed in the Division a
Double portion. I desire the above named Executors would carry this
Codicill into effect. In Testimony of the above Codicill to my last Will & Testament
I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 22nd day of May 1791.

Signed Sealed Published and Declared by the Testator
as his Codicill Annexed to his will of presence of
Paul Carrington Jr. William Collins Blackson Collins } Benjamin Collins L.P.
Polly X Roberts }

mark
At a Court held for Charlotte County the 3rd day of October 1791

This last Will and Testament and Codicill of Benjamin Collins decast was
exhibited in Court by John Collins Paul Carrington Jr and James Hamblitt the Executors
therein named and the same was proved by the oath of Phelicia Collins & Paul
Carrington and the Codicill by the oath of Paul Carrington Jr William Collins
and ordered to be recorded, and the said Paul Carrington and James Hamblitt
remained in open Court the burthen of Execution of the said Will. On
the motion of John Collins the other Executors therein named who made
oath according to Law Certificate is granted them for obtaining of the said
Will in due form Requeing them to return it to the Court.

Codicill into effect & In Testimony of the above Codicil to my last Will & Testament
I have hereunto set my hand and ^{Charlotte County, Virginia Wills 1791-1805} ~~affixed~~ my seal this 22nd day of May 1791.
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Will in due form & giving Security in hereupon he with Carrington & others
his Security entered into and acknowledged their hand for that purpose

Teste Thomas Read Esq
Truly Recorded
Thomas Read Esq