

In the Name of God Amen I John Clark of Charlotte County planter being of sound
mind and perfect memory but knowing the uncertainty of life & the certainty of death have thought
proper to make and ordain this my last will and Testament revoking all other Wills heretofore by me
made. In witness whereof I have signed my hand to God that gave it and my body to be buried in a Christian
buriall at the discretion of my Executors hereafter named and Touching such worldly goods
as it hath pleased God to bless me with after my last worldly debts and funeral charges are paid
I dispose of in the following manner - Item I give my beloved wife Ann Clark three of these
negroes ⁽¹⁷⁰³⁾ Will, Sude and Abby or also my land and plantation whereon I now live during her
natural life and after her decease I give the said land & plantation to my son Paul Clark
I give to my son Thomas Clark two negro men Dick and Davy to him this his heirs
heirs and his heirs forever. Item I give to my son James Clark one negro man named
Cup to him and his heirs forever. Item I give to my son John Clark one negro girl named
Tab to him and his heirs forever. Item I give to my son Isaac Clark one negro girl named
Jenny to him & his heirs forever. Item I give to my son Edward Clark one negro girl named
Amy to him & his heirs forever. Item I give to my son Elijah Clark two negroes (1703) Sam
and Chas, to him & his heirs forever. Item I give to my daughter Sarah Clark
one negro girl named Betty during her natural life and after her decease to

equally divided amongst her Children to them & their heirs forever. Item I give my right
House Clark one negro girl named Anne during her natural life and after her death to be
equally divided amongst her Children to them and their heirs forever. Item I give my son
Rowlet Clarke one negro girl named Charity to him this time forever. Item I give the use of my
house and furniture, stock, horses, cattle, and dogs to my beloved wife during her natural life
and at her death or dissolution I give the said house and furniture and stocks of all kind to be
equally divided amongst all my Children to them & their heirs forever. Item I appoint &
desire as if my wife Anne Clark should die that my son Thomas Clark should take
into his possession all the Estate of any sort or kind whatsoever left by me to my wife
and enjoy the same during my said wife's natural life and that he pay my wife ten pounds
annually out of the said Estate for her maintenance & support. Item I give my son
Thomas Clark after the death of my wife the reversion and my wife with full ability
to him and his heirs forever. Item it is my will and desire that if any of my Children
should die without Issue that their part of the Estate should be equally divided amongst
the rest of my Children. Item it is my will and desire that after the death of my wife
the remainder of my Estate should be equally divided amongst all my Children by my
Executors. I do appoint my sons Thomas Clark and James Clark and my brother Isaac
Clark Executors of this my last will and Testament. In Witness whereof I have set
my hand this 15th day of August 1779.

The remainder of my estate should be equally divided amongst all my Children by my
Executors - I do appoint my sons Thomas Black and Francis Black and my brother Isaac
Black Executors of this my last will and Testament In Witness whereof I have set
my hand and seal this 1th day of August 1779

Signed Sealed in the presence of John Postle } John Blacke Ad
Isaac Black, John Black, Joseph Black }

at a Court held for Charlotte County the 6th day of June 1779

This last Will and Testament of John Blacke dec^d was presented in Court by
Thomas Black one of the Executors mentioned in the said Will and the same was proved
by the oath of John Postle and ordered to be proved on the motion of the said
Executor who made oath according to Law certificate is granted him for obtaining
a probate of the said Will, in due form by given security, whereupon with
John Black Isaac Black & John Postle his heirs entered into and acknowledged
their bond for that purpose reserving liberty to the said Executors to join in the
probate thereof when they shall think fit

Teste Thomas Black

Truly Proved

Thomas Black