

I Herndon In the name of God Amen I John Herndon of County
will
do hereby being in perfect health and sound mind and memory do make this my
last will and Testament. I give my soul to God that give it my body to be buried
at the discretion of my Executors in full assurance of resurrection at the last day
and as it has pleased Almighty God to bestow me a small share of this world
wealth I mean to dispose of it in the manner and form following.
Item, I give and bequeath unto my son John Herndon one shilling sterling &
no more. Item, I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Pricilla Santfort one
shilling sterling and no more. Item, I give and bequeath unto my son
James Herndon one shilling sterling and no more. Item, I give and bequeath
unto my son Jacob Herndon Two negroes namely Cesar & Puncer and no more.
Item, I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Mary Herndon the wife of
Thomas Clayton Three negroes namely Peter, Beaditock & Beck and their
increase to her and her heirs and assigns forever. Item, I give & bequeath
unto my Daughter Anne Herndon the wife of Arthur Freeman four Negroes

smelling sterling and more

And I give and bequeath unto my son Jacob Herndon two negroes namely Cesar & Pua and more

And I give and bequeath unto my daughter Mary Peyton his wife of Thomas Peyton three negroes namely Peter, Braddock & Peck and their increase to her and her heirs and assigns forever

And I give and bequeath unto my daughter Anne Peyton his wife of Thomas Peyton four negroes namely Lett, Edmund, Tom & Mary and their increase to her and her heirs and assigns forever

For which I appoint and ordain my son Jacob Herndon and James Watkins whole and sole Executors of this my last Will and Testament making void all other Writings Wills and Testaments heretofore made except the Last of gift I made my son Joseph Herndon, for witness hereof I have

set my hand and fixed my seal this 16th day of November One thousand seven hundred and Eighty five

Teste before me in presence of us

Thomas Pugh, John Pugh, Nathaniel Pugh

John Herndon Esq

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At a Court held for & before the county the first day of June 1791
The said William Testament of John Henson deceased was tutored in Law by
Jacob Henson and Thomas Mathews & as such Henson & Mathews was
proved by the oath of Thomas Finch, John Finch, William Stealer, & William Hensley
Subscribed & intended to be Recorded, and on the motion of the said Jacob Henson who made
oath according to Law, Certificate is granted him for obtaining a probet of the said
Will, as far as giving security, whereupon he with John Mathews and Benjamin
Watkins his security entered into, and acknowledged put their bond according to Law
for that purpose, and the said Jacob Henson the other executor renounced as of Law
Court the further execution of the said Will

Teste

Thomas Read Secy

Truly Recorded

Thomas Read Secy

In the name of God amen. I, Josiah Henson of the
County of Charlotte being weak in body, of perfect mind and memory thank
be to Almighty God, calling to mind the mortality of my body and knowing that