

presented in Court by Mary Norton, George Moore, & Joseph Norton, Executors therein named and the same was proved by the oaths of the Witnesses thereto subscribed and ordered to be proved and on the motion of the Executors (who made oath according to Law) Certificate is Granted them obtaining a Probate of the said will in due form on their giving Security in the sum of £100 with Paul Harrington and Joseph Norton for and their heirs entered into and Acknowledged their bond according to Law for that purpose.

Teste Samuel Collier

Truly Recorded

Thos. Read

In the Name of God Amen
Testimon by the Grace of God being in the Court of the State of Massachusetts
Composed by the Court, But knowing that it is appointed for a certain
relation to be made

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from Wills and Testaments. And in the first Place I order that my body be
Decently Buried at the Discretion of my Executors and they believe that it
be Buried at the last day where these ^{eyes} shall be the Land for my self and my
for another. I also Comend my Spirit into the hands of God that Give it
Expectation to be Received by him Thus the words of the Lord Jesus Christ his
Son; As for the Estate Wherewith the Lord has Blest me with I bequeath
the following manner; Item I do Give and bequeath to my beloved
my bed and furniture and also the third part of all my moveable Estate; And if
she Remains a Widow is to have the use and benefit of the plantation I now live
with Beldas my negro coach two horse kind plow and plow Irons and all
Instruments for the plantation to support and maintain my Children, and
Can she should marry then to be Disposed or Continued as my Executors think fit
Item I do hereby Authorise and Impower my Executors to sell this Land and
plantation I now live on and all my other Lands and to make Debt or
to the purchaser and also to make such purchases of Land and Negroes as

It will be best to do so. I do this 11th day of Nov. 1711. Thomas

to the purchaser and also to make such purchaser of Land and Negroes as
shall think most Advantageous for the Benefit of my Children. I am yet
Son John ^{being} of age I allow an Equal Division of all my Estate to be made
Betwixt my four Sons to wit, John, James, Samuel, & Robert Middleton; &
I do hereby ratify and appoint Robert Woods and Thomas Moore my
Executors the Executors of this my Last Will and Testament and do hereby
cancel all former Wills & Testaments as Witness my hand and seal this Twenty
October one thousand seven hundred & sixty four.

John Middleton
Witness Present Ainsworth Middleton, John ^{his} Vomer, Jean ^{her} Moore
At a Court held for Charlotte County the fourth day of August 1766.
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The within written Last Will & Testament of John Middleton Dec^d was Exhibited
by Robert Woods and Thomas Moore the Executors therein named & the same
proved by the oath of two of the Witnesses thereto subscribed and ordered to be entered
on the motion of the said Executors who made oath according to their Certificate
that the within written Last Will & Testament is in due manner the said