

I Joseph Henderson of Charlotte County do hereby make my last Will & Testament in manner and form following that is to say 1st I desire that so much of my perishable estate be immediately sold after my decease as shall be necessary for the payment of my just debt and funeral expences and the moneys arising therefrom be applied to the payment of the same. Should the perishable part of my property prove insufficient for the above purposes, then I desire that my executors hereafter named may sell such other part of my estate as they think will answer best as shall be sufficient to satisfy such of my just debts as shall remain unpaid out of the sales of the perishable part of my estate. 2nd after the payment of my debts and funeral expences I leave to my Wife Mary Magdalene Henderson four negroes named Julius, Nance, Milley and Benjamin, two horses Dick and Buttons, one good feathered bed and furniture also such part of my stock of Cattle hogs and Sheep as my executors hereafter named shall think necessary for her support also part of the Tract of Land I now live on as follows. Beginning where George Cole line crosses the Spring branch then down the said branch to the Creek, then up the creek to where the back line leaves the Creek thence along said back line adjoining George Cole to the beginning. Further she is not to be interrupted in her possession during her or widowhood. 3rd I give to my son William Henderson two Negroes in his possession named Sam and Alice one feathered bed and furniture (already removed) to have and her heirs forever. 4^{thly} I give to my son John Henderson two negroes named Ora and Timmy

her or widowhood — 3^{rdly} I give to my son William Herndon two negroes in his possession
named Sam and Abner one feather bed and furniture (already reserved to him and his
heirs forever — 4^{thly} I give to my son John Herndon two negroes named Ann and Fanny
one good feather bed and furniture also one Cow and Calf — 5^{thly} I give to my son
Elyah Herndon two negroes named Benjamin and Phebe one good feather bed and
furniture also one Cow and Calf — 6^{thly} I give to my son Benjamin Herndon two negroes
named George and Nelly one good feather bed and furniture also one Cow and Calf
and one horse — 7^{thly} I give to my daughter Abigail Briggs two negroes in her
possession named Amey and Piller one feather bed and furniture also one Cow and Calf
to her and her heirs forever — 8^{thly} I give to my daughter Jane Roberts one negro in
her possession named Rachel and her increase one feather bed and furniture also
one Cow and Calf to her and her heirs forever — 9^{thly} I give to my daughter Tabitha M'burg
two negroes in her possession named Sam and Waring one feather bed and furniture
also one Cow and Calf to her and her heirs forever — 10^{thly} I give to my daughter Sarah
Roberts two negroes in her possession named Tom and Lotty one feather bed and furniture
also one Cow and Calf to her and her heirs forever — 11^{thly} my Will and desire is that
my negro man Christopher shall after my decease be emancipated for life —
12^{thly} my Will and desire is that the remaining part of my negroes not particularly
disposed of shall be divided in the following manner 1/3 my executor here after
named shall choose three disinterested men who on oath shall value them.

and one share - 6th I give to my daughter Henrietta Briggs one negro in her
possession named Amy and Billy one feather bed and furniture also one Cow and Calf
to her and her heirs forever - 7th I give to my daughter Jane Roberts one negro in
her possession named Rachel and her increase one feather bed and furniture also
one Cow and Calf to her and her heirs forever - 8th I give to my daughter Talitha W. Barge
two negroes in her possession named Geo and Fanny one feather bed and furniture
also one Cow and Calf to her and her heirs forever - 9th I give to my daughter Sarah
Robert two negroes in her possession named Tom and Lotty one feather bed and furniture
also one Cow and Calf to her and her heirs forever - 10th My Will and desire is that
my negro man Henry shall after my decease be emancipated for life -
11th My Will and desire is that the remaining part of my negroes not particularly
disposed of shall be divided in the following manner viz. my executors here after
named shall choose three discreet uninterested men who on oath shall estimate them
in real Cash or amount thereof to be set apart and equally divided among my eight
children here after named and then to whom let the highest price be paid and my
fact to pay the others in proportion to the valuation - 12th My Will and desire
is that immediately after my Wife's decease all my lands in the County of
Washington shall be sold at public sale and the proceeds thereof shall be divided
equally among my eight children here after named -

1775) I, Joseph Benson, do hereby certify that I have & have been for many
years well and sound in mind and memory and that the same I have obtained by
in the State of Kentucky to equally divide among all my children that remain
alive whenever said same shall be obtained. Also the rest of my estate both
real and personal of what nature or kind soever it may be not herein before
expressly disposed of I desire may be equally divided among my several children before
named which I give to them their heirs executors administrators & assigns forever.
Lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my friends, John Benson, Francis Roberts &
William Duffer Executors of this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all
other or former Will or Testaments by me heretofore made. In Witness whereof I
have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seal this twenty ninth day of June one
thousand eight hundred and four.

Witness my hand and seal this twenty ninth day of June one
thousand eight hundred and four.

Signed Sealed published and declared as and for the last Will
and Testament of the above named Joseph Benson in presence
of us Commrs Duffer, Mary Duffer, Betsey Mealer
At a Court held for Charlotte County the 3^d day of September 1804

This Last Will and Testament of Joseph Benson aforesaid was presented in Court by Francis
Roberts one of the executors herein named and the same was proved by the oath of Commrs
Duffer and Betsey Mealer two of the subscribing Witnesses to be acknowledged by the said

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thousand eight hundred and four

Joseph Henderson L.

Signed Sealed published and declared as and for the last Will
and Testament of the above named Joseph Henderson in presence
of us Edmund Duffer, Mary ^{his} Duffer, Peter ^{mark} Wheeler

At a Court held for Charlotte County this 3^d day of September 1804

This Last Will and Testament of Joseph Henderson dec^d was presented in Court by Francis
Roberts one of the executors herein named and the same was proved by the oath of Edmund
Duffer and Peter Wheeler two of the subscribing Witnesses to acknowledged by the said
Joseph Henderson as his last Will and Testament in their presence and ordered to be recorded

On the motion of the said Francis Roberts who made oath according to Law Oathsworn
is granted leave for obtaining a probate of the said Will in due form beginning security
whereupon he with John Roberts his Security entered into and acknowledged their bond
according to Law for that purpose - reserving testimony to John Henderson and William
Duffer the other executors herein named to join in the probate thereof when they shall
think fit

Thomas Read Esq

Truly Remained
Thomas Read Esq