

July Record

Thomas Read to

^{Chesters}
^{Will}
In the Name of God Amen I William Chesters of the County
of Charlotte and State of Virginia being of sound mind and memory do make
and Establish this to be my last Will & Testament, that is to say I give to my
son William Chesters, my negro man Amos, whom he now has in possession
I give to my son John Chesters Chelice, Jerry, William, John Alexander and
Andrew, my negro man ~~Jack~~ I give my Daughter Margaret Davis, the
following negroes Viz. Fanny a woman, Tom a man, and Ned a boy, which
negroes she has now in possession I give to my Daughter Sarah Cox, the
negroes Viz. Phillis a woman and her son, whom she has now in
possession, and Steve a slave, whom she is to have after the death of my
wife Deborah. I give to my Daughter Anna, my negro woman Lucy the
mother of my negro woman Fanny, whom she is to have possession of after
the Death of my wife Deborah. And as the said Negro is not equal in

Value with the portion of the rest of my Children, I leave that the same
Shall enjoy the Value and the Deficiency made up by the other Legatee of this
Will, she is to be Valued at the Death of my wife. I give to my Daughter Mary
Easter, thirty pounds to be laid out in buying a negro Girl, which money is to be
paid out of the money arising from the sale of the Land sold Langston Bacon
and John Poley. But if the said negro when purchased is found of less
Value than the portions of the other Legatee of this Will. I Desire that she shall
be equally by the Legatee of this will. I give to my wife Debrah during her
life the following negroes viz. Jacka slave. Lucy her wife and a white slave
and after the Death of my wife it is my will that the said negroes, ~~Debrah~~ ^{Debrah} ~~and~~ ^{and}
~~Debrah~~ shall be equally Divided among my Children, William, Margaret, Sarah
John Chesler & Children, Jincy, William, John, Alexander, and Andrew,
Anson, my Daughter, Mary Easter and Elizabeth Turrell. Lastly I do appoint
my friend Edward Almond Executor of this my last Will & Testament as touching
my Land & Real this 2^d day of January 1789. William Chesler L^d

In Presence of John James }
Purveyor of the Court }
all a Court held for Charlotte County the 8th day of June 1792

This last Will and Testament of William Chesler dec^d was presented in
Court and the same was proved by the oath of Purveyor of the Court and

life the following negroes. Viz. Jacka slave. Lucy his wife and children
and after the Death of my wife do my will that the said negroes, together with
the said shall be equally Divided among my Children, William, Margaret, Sarah
John Chesloms Children, Henry, William, John, Alexander, and Andrew,
Anna my Daughter, Mary Easter and Elizabeth Turell. Lastly I do appoint
my friend Edward Almond, Executor of this my last Will & Testament as being
my hand & seal this 2d day of January 1789. William Cheslon Esq

In Presence of John James,
Pringle, Bartlett, Bartlett & James }

At a Court held for Charlotte County the 8 day of June 1792

The last Will and Testament of William Cheslon dec^d was presented in
Court and the same was proved by the oath of Pringle, Bartlett and
Bartlett James and ordered to be Recorded and Edward Almond the Executor
therein named renounced in open Court the execution of the
said Will.

Teste Thomas Read Secy

Truly Recorded

Thomas Read Secy