

James Blanks
Will

In the ^{name} of God amen I James Blanks of Charles City County
being sick and weak in body, but in perfect sense and memory, and
calling to mind the uncertainty of this life, and it is appointed for all
men once to die; first of all I recommend my soul into the hands of
almighty gods who gave it to me, and my body to be interred in a Christian
like manner by my Executors hereafter mentioned, and as to what worldly estate
it hath been pleased gods to bless me with I give and bequeath in manner
and form following. — I express. First of all my will is that all my Just
debts should be paid. — Item I give unto my loving son Thomas Blanks five
pounds current money to him, and his heirs forever. — Item I give unto my
loving daughter Nancy Meanley five pounds current money to her and her
heirs forever. — I give unto my grand-daughter Nancy Warborton daughter of
Benjamin Warborton deceased fifty shillings current money to her and her heirs forever.
Item I give unto my grand-daughter Susanna Warborton daughter of Benj^a Warborton
deceased fifty shillings current money to her, and her heirs forever. — Item I give unto
my daughter Mary Blanks five pounds current money to her, and her heirs forever.
Item I give unto ^{my son} Henry Blanks one half of my Lands lying and being in the County
of Charles City, which said Lands is to be laid off at the upper part of my Land
beginning at line of Thomas Ballards deed & so across my Lands to Abraham
Brown's line, also five pounds current money to him, and his heirs forever. —
Item I give unto my son John Blanks all the residue of my Lands where
the houses now stand, fifty one and a half acres be the same more or less,
also one feather Bed, and furniture to him and his heirs forever. —
Item I give unto my daughter Jane Blanks one feather Bed and furniture,
also ten pounds current money to her, and her heirs forever. — Item I give
unto my daughter Betsy Blanks one negro girl named Betty and her
increase unto her, and her heirs forever. — Item I leave unto my loving
wife Elizabeth Blanks all my whole estate both real and personal during
her life be it of what kind soever, and at her death my will is that
after my cash legacies are paid, if there should be any overplus, that
it should be sold, and the money arising from such sale should be
equally

equally divided between my son John Blanks, and my two daughters Jane and Betty Blanks to them and their heirs forever. And lastly I constitute and appoint my good friend William Parrish Jun^r. and my loving son Thomas Blanks my whole and sole Ex^{rs} of this my last will and testament revoking and disannulling all other wills heretofore made by me. In Witness I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this sixteenth day of February one thousand seven hundred and ninety three.

Signed, sealed, & acknowledged
in presence of

James ^{his} Blanks ^{seal}
mark

John ^{his} New
mark
Dancy Ballard
Bowlin New

At a monthly court held for Charles City County, on Thursday the 19th day of December, 1793. The afore written last will and Testament of James Blanks deceased was proved by the oaths of John New, and Dancy Ballards two of the witnesses thereto, and ordered to be recorded, and on the motion of Thomas Blanks one of the Executors therein named, who made oath thereto according to law, and together with William Ballard and Richard Waddell his securities entered into, and acknowledged their bonds in the sum of five hundred pounds with such condition as the law in this case directs, Certificate is granted him for obtaining probat thereof in due form. Liberty reserved the other executor to join in the probat when he shall think fit.

Teste

Oliver Byrds C^l C.

one Bowl and Cup and saucers	£0. 2. 0
one Mug and Tumbler glass	.. 1. 6
two tea Pots and milk Pot	.. 3
two pair boards	.. 5. 9
one box with Knives and forks	.. 6. 3
two meal sifters and a meal bag	.. 8. 1
a parcel of Pails &c	.. 4. 7
3 pair Sheets and 3 counterpane	5. 13. 0
2 Bed Quilt	2. 14. 1
4 table cloths & Towels	2. 2. 10
3 new Hides	1. 1. 0
67 bushels Oats	12. 11. 3
	<u>£ 211. 2. 1</u>

In obedience to an order annex'd, we the Subscribers being just sworn have appraised the Estate of Rebecca Walker dec'd as above. Given under our hands the date above.

Edward Finch
Samuel Payer
John Timberlake
Jesse Southall

At a monthly Court held for Charles City County on Thursday the nineteenth day of February 1795; The afore written Inventory, and appraisement of the Estate of Rebecca Walker deceased was this day returned and order to be recorded.

Teste Stacey Pryor

An Inventory and appraisement of the estate of James Blanks deceased	
James Blanks's	taken this first day of January one thousand seven hundred and ninety
Inventory & Appraisement	a negro fellow Phill
	£60. 0. 0
	a girl Sally
	30. . .
	Ditto Betty
	30. . .
	Bed and furniture
	3. 15. .
	Ditto
	2. 10. .
	Bed and Breastead without furniture
	1. 6. .
	5 rush bottom chairs
	.. 10. .
	2 Chests 7/6 each and bottles of Flax wheel 12/.
	1. 5. 6
	Parcel books 3/. Looking glass 10/. Let Lumber 6/.
	.. 19. 0
	Parcel of cured Beef
	1. 5. .
	Ten Rasp. hooks, & bow-bell 10/. Parcel bottom 6/8
	.. 16. 8
	Let Pewter
	2. 6. .

Parcel put in Tubs	£5.00
two boxes 2/6 parcel Tobacco 10/ spinning wheel boards 6/	18.6
Vinegar and back 15/ parcel Nails and forks and chains 4/	18.0
safe	1.9.0
Loam and clay 12/6 Lit nails 9c 4/	16.6
three bows and a Horse hide	1.10.0
Whittet, general Pots and hooks	5.00
Parcel old hose, axes &c	1.00
two pair Frames and one roller of parcel Sugs 4/	10.00
two pots and fat of an old Horse 5/	11.00
Cart and wheels	1.7.6
Fifty Bushels of wheat (supposed) @ 5/ p Bushel	12.10.0
Thirteen Barrels Corn (ditto) @ 15/	11.5.0
parcel books, Guns &c	1.10.0
Half bushel measure and Basket	2.6
Three bows, one gentling and a calf	9.10.0
Parcel Top Fodder	18.00
Ditto of Blade fodder	12.00
Dutch Oven 7/6 two wedges and two hammers 6/	13.6
22 Turkeys	2.00
30 Dunghill Sowl	1.00
4 Ducks	4.00
one cow and seven pigs	1.10.0
four sheats	1.4.0
	<u>£ 195.7.8</u>

In obedience to an order of the worshipful Court of Charles City County heretofore returned, we the subscribers being first sworn for that purpose as the law directs have appraised the estate of James Blanks deceased in manner as above.
Given under our hands this first day of January one Thousand seven hundred and ninety four.

John New
Jas^r Southall
Tho^r Ballard

At a monthly Court held for Charles City County on Thursday the nineteenth day of February 1795, The afore written Inventory and Appraisement of the estate of James Blanks deceased was this day returned and ordered to be recorded.

Teste Otway Byrd

The Estate of James Blanks deceased in (Ct) with Thomas Blanks Executor

1794	January	To cash paid for the decedents Coffin as per Receipt	\$ 1
	7	" paid Major Willcox plants to Hamlin Willcox Brothers	14 7 1/2
		To funeral expenses as per Receipt	" 8 1/2
		To cash Hamlin Willcox Brothers for Negroes clothing	" 4 1/2
		To paid for the Carriage of wheat to discharge debt due Willcox and } 18 Brothers as above per receipt	" 15 "
		To cash paid for throwing the decedents Estate as per Receipt	4 "
		To cash paid for a half gallon rum at the sale	" 1/2
February	22	To paid William Christians reploy bond off against the decedents } estate as per receipt & bond	12 16 1/2
		To cash paid Mary Blanks in part of her legacy received by my testator } from James Nances estate	5 4 1/2
May	15	To cash paid Doctor Collier Christians account off as per receipt	2 4 3
		To cash paid Henry Blanks ward of my Testator his balance of payment } in full of the legacy from James Nances estate	7 15 1/2
		To cash paid Edward Davidson account paid off as per receipt	1 17 3
July	26	To cash paid W ^m James D Sheriff tax for W ^m Blanks estate for the } year 1793 against the decedents estate	11 14 3
		To cash paid James Parish as per receipt	17 6
August		To cash paid Richard Wadde in part of Mary Blanks legacy } due her from James Nances estate	1 16 "
		To cash paid Francis Edmund Const ^{ble} Ben. Davison execution } against my Testators estate as per receipt	4 9 "
1795	January	To cash paid Mary Blanks the balance of her legacy in full } from James Nances Estate as per Receipt	2 11 8
		To paid Will T. Collins for keeping the account sales & Cash ^{re} receipt	1 10 "
		To paid Blackstock for ticket	1 6 2 1/2
		To paid Samuel Pynes Acc ^t	12 "
1797	July	5 th To paid bond assigned by James Parish to Willcox	5 13 9
		To paid John Bunchs Acc ^t	4 6 "
		To paid Joseph Vardens Acc ^t	8 1/2
			63 16 7
		To trouble & Expence to the Executor	3 10 3
		6 th	\$ 67 6 10
1794	By	Amount of sales due the third day of July 1794	52 13 3 1/2
		By the sale of a Negro girl sally	17 10 "
			70 5 3 1/2
			67 6 10
		Amount still due the estate	\$ 2 18 5 1/2

1803

Dec ^r	To paid James Southall for buying negro man Phil ^t	£ 6 " 0
	To paid John Brown survey & dividing land according to the will	2 " 8 " 0
	To 5 per Cent on £60 the sale of a negro man Phil ^t as per ticket allowed the executor	3 " 0 " 0
	To a clerk ticket to be paid for recording this settlement &c. &c.	1 " 6 " 9 1/2
1803		£ 7 " 6 " 9 1/2
Dec ^r 15	By sale of negro man Phil ^t purchased by John Brown Lewis	£ 60 " 0 " 0
	By balance due to the Estate	2 " 18 " 5 3/4
		62 " 18 " 5 3/4
	Dr. Amount due as above	7 " 0 " 9 1/2
	Balance due to the Estate	£ 55 " 18 " 3 1/2

Charles City Court, In obedience to an order of Court of the said County to us directed and have answered as we have examined, stated, and settled the Executorship accounts of Thomas Blanks executor James Blanks dec^d. and report the same in the foregoing statement given under our hands this 12th February 1804

Joseph Vaiden sen^r

Wm. Graves

Thos. Ballard

At a monthly Court held for Charles City County at the Court house on Thursday the sixteenth day of February 1804. The aforesaid two settlements of the estate of James Blanks deceased was this day returned and ordered to be recorded and is truly recorded. test Hyatt Walton C. C.

Dr. The Estate of Thomas Ballard dec^d in account with John Ballard Admor^r 6th

1790	Nov ^r 29	To paid for obtaining Administrators &c. per ticket	£ 0 " 12 " 0
		To paid James Johnson acc ^t per rec ^t	4 " 10 " 9
		To paid James Southall for buying the estate per rec ^t	4 " 0 " 0
		To paid Ely th Parrish for laying Negro woman	0 " 12 " 0
		To paid Wright Southgate for mourning for the family	17 " 18 " 8
1791		To paid the sheriff for tax against the Estate	14 " 0 " 0
Feb ^y 16		To paid for hire of Negro of Mary Dancy & clothing	10 " 10 " 0
June 10		To paid John July 25 for Arcans of tax for 1788 per rec ^t	3 " 0 " 0
Aug st 8		To paid Major Wilcox per acc ^t per rec ^t	4 " 4 " 3
		To paid Peter Cypres D Shiff for taxes sundry years per rec ^t	21 " 5 " 9
		To paid Thomas Woodcock's acc ^t per rec ^t	1 " 15 " 9
		To paid Samuel Poyers acc ^t per rec ^t	7 " 8 " 0
		To paid John Walker D Shiff for tax &c. per rec ^t	6 " 11 " 3
		To paid for funeral expenses & Person for service	4 " 10 " 10 1/4
		To paid W. Ball for coffin	1 " 4 " 0