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Joseph's
Will

In the name of God amen I Joseph Bradley of
Charles City being sick and weak in body, but of perfect mind & memory,
do make and ordain this my last will and Testament in manner and
form following. VIZ. Principally and first of all I recommond my soul
into the hands of almighty God, and as to my Body I recommond it to
the ground to be buried in a Christian like and decent manner, nothing
doubting but at the general Resurrection I shall receive the same again
by the mighty power of God, and as touching such worldly Estate as
~~it~~ hath pleased God to bless me with in this life, I give demise and
dispose of in manner and form following. — Item after my Just debts
are paid I lend to my two young children Nancy, and Williamson
Bradley my negro man Charles for and during the term of ten years,
after which term my desire is that the said Charles shall be free &
serve no person as a slave. — Item I give and bequeath unto my
daughter Mary Bradley one bay Mare (Fly) one side saddle & Bridle

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daughter Mary Bradley one bay Mare (Fly) one side saddle & Bridle
to her and her heirs forever; I lend my daughter Mary Bradley one
negro woman Easter for and during the term of ten years, after which
time my will and desire is, that the said Easter shall be free, and
serve no person as a slave. Item I lend to my beloved wife Sally
Bradley one third of the remainder of my Estate both real and personal
during her natural life. Item My will and desire is, that the remain-
ing part of my Estate both real and personal as yet unbequeathed shall
be sold, and the profits arising from the sale thereof divided equally
between all my children Vizt. Mary, Littleton, Joseph, Nancy and
Williamson Bradleys to them their heirs forever. Item My will and
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divided between all my children Vizt. Mary, Littleton, Joseph, Nancy &
Williamson Bradleys to them their heirs forever, should any of my children
die before they arrive to the age of twenty one, or Marriage my desire is
that their bequeathed Estate be equally divided among the surviving children
to them &c And lastly I leave my brother James Bradley and Luke
Fowler executors of this my last will and Testament, revoking and making

null and void all other Wills and Testaments heretofore made by me, and
confirming this and this only to be my last. In Witness whereof I have hereunto
set my hand and seal this twenty eighth day of February, one thousand seven
hundred and ninety five.

Sealed, and delivered
in presence of — }

Joseph Bradley 

Mourning Bradley
Richmond Terrell
Nancy Roper

At a Monthly Court held for Charles City County on Thursday the sixteenth day
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deceased was proved by the oaths of Richmond Terrell and Nancy Roper
two of the witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded. And on the motion
of the executors therein named who made oaths thereto, and together with
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Inventory of the
Estate of Stith
Gregory dec'd

Inventory of the Estate of Stith Gregory deceased put into the hands of William Lightfoot Sheriff of Charles City County by order of the worshipping Court of the said County. —
A penal note of John Tyler & William G. Munford's payable to John Gregory