

In the name of God amen I Thomas Ballard of the County of Charles City and parish
 of Westover being in a weakly state of bodily health but in perfect mind and sound sense and in memory thanks
 be given unto God calling unto mind the mortality of my body and knowing it is ordained for all men once to die,
 do make and ordain this my last will and testament; my soul I recommend unto the hands of Almighty God
 who gave it; in hopes of a glorious resurrection and as touching such worldly estate as it has pleased God to bless
 me with; I dispose of as follows: to wit. Item I desire that my just debts shall be paid from my estate in the first
 instance. Item I desire that the family burying place now on my land shall remain sacred and free for the
 interment of the family and their connections that is to say a sufficiency ground for that purpose and for no further
 disposal this I do through the respect and duty I owe to my ancestors and family and hope the same may be
 remembered by those who may ever consider it. Item I give and bequeath unto my brother John Ballard all my land
 in Charles City County it being where I now live or elsewhere, on him the said John Ballard paying unto my brother
 Francis D Ballard or either of the value of the said land which valuation may be by their mutual consent
 or by men appointed by them for that purpose on compliance on the part of the said John Ballard the said
 land I give unto him and his heirs forever. Item having an old negro man slave named George who has been a faithful
 servant I desire and hereby give him the said negro slave his freedom after my death in a perfect and just manner
 of liberation and in as full and perfect manner as any law could authorize me. Item all the balances of my
 estate not heretofore given bequeathed or desired I do hereby give request and desire shall be equally divided
 between my three sisters to wit. Elizabeth Fountain relict of Moses Fountain; Sarah Fountain wife of Abraham Fountain
 and Lucy Eppes wife of Peter Eppes which I give and bequeath unto them and their heirs forever.
 Lastly I do hereby nominate constitute and appoint my Brother John Ballard my friend Wyatt Walker
 and John Firth my whole and sole Executors of this my last will and testament renouncing breoking
 all Wills heretofore made by me. In Witness Whereof I have herunto set my hand and seal
 this thirteenth day of August AD One thousand eight hundred and four.

Signed sealed acknowledged and declared
 In presence of
 William Graves

Thomas Ballard (seal)

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Edward M Williams, Fannie Southall.

At a monthly Court held for Charles City County at the Courthouse on Thursday the twentieth day of September 1804. The
aforesaid last will and testament of Thomas Ballard dec. was presented in Court by John Ballard one of the
executors thereof named and being proved by William Graves Esq. M Williams & Fannie Southall the witnesses
thereof as ordered to be recorded. And on the motion of the said executor who made oath as the law directs and
entered into bond with William Graves and Edward M Williams his securities in the penalty of five thousand
dollars conditioned according to law certificate is granted him for obtaining a probat thereof in due form of law
and the other executors to join in the probat when they may think fit.

Wyatt Walker Clk