

Thos Spraggins's
Will

Charles City County, Virginia Wills 1789-1808

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In the name of God amen I Thomas Spraggins of the
County of Charles City, being sick and weak of body, but of sound &
perfect mind and memory, do make and ordain this by last Will and
Testament in manner and form following. My soul I recommend to almighty
God who gave it me hoping through the merit and intercession of my
blessed Saviour Jesus Christ to obtain a pardon for all my offences towards
God and man. my body to be committed to the earth, and decently interred
at the directions of my Executors hereafter mentioned, and as to the worldly
Estate ^{in which} it has pleased God to bless me with, I give and bequeath in man-
ner, and form following. — Impairments. I give and bequeath to my loving
wife my Estate of what degree or dignity soever for and during the term

of her natural life, and after her death to be equally divided among my
 surviving ^{children} excepting my daughter Ann Austin, as also excepting my Land
 which I give to my son William - Item I give and bequeath unto my
 son William at the death of my loving wife Elizabeth all my Land, to
 him and his heirs forever. - Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter
 Ann Austin one bow and half to her and her heirs forever. -

Lastly I do hereby appoint my loving wife Elizabeth Spraggins, my
 brother W^m Spraggins and my friend John Lamb Executors of this my
 last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all other wills by me hereto-
 fore made. In Witness whereof I hereunto set my hand and seal this
 tenth day of August, one thousand seven hundred and eighty eight. -

Signed, sealed & acknowledged
 in presence of, -

Henry Armstrong
 Benjamin Dancy
 Fred Bryan

Thomas ^{his} Spraggins ^{seal}
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Benjamin Dancy
Fred Bryan

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At a monthly Court held for Charles City County on Thursday the
fifteenth day of January 1795; The afore written last Will and Testament
of Thomas Spraggins was proved by the oath of Henry Armistead one of
the witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded. And William Spraggins
and John Lamb two of the executors therein named being dead, and Mrs
Spraggins the Executrix relinquished her right thereof in favour of Robt
Goodrich. And on the motion of the said Goodrich who made oath thereto
according to Law, and he together with Miles Cary and John Ballard
his securitys entered into and acknowledge their bond in the penalty of
one thousand pounds with such condition as the law directs, Certificate
is granted him for obtaining letters of administration with the said
Will annexed in due form.

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