

that he shall take possession of his bequeath'd estate, immediately after my decease, to him and his heirs
forever - Item I give and bequeath to my son Edward Roper two Negroes i.e. Joshua and Mahala
two Hundred Dollars, one bed and furniture two bows the third choice also his proportionable part
of the Household and Kitchen furniture Stocks and crops, which shall not be hereafter given
to him and his heirs forever - Item I give and bequeath to my son David Roper the plantation I
now live on; being bounded as follows First begining at the broad run at the road, thence up the
run to the mill Pond, thence along said pond to the broad run, thence up said run to the branch
leading to the roaring Spring, thence along William Hobletts line to Saddlers line, thence to Bul-
ingtons line to the road; thence down said Road to the place began at; also five negroes (to wit)
Edmond, Grace, Stephen, Sucky and Bloe, one choice horse, saddle and Bridle, choice Yoke of Oxen
and Cart, two bows the fourth choice, one Walnut Desk the first choice; as also his proportionable
part of the Household and Kitchen furniture, Stocks and crops to him and his heirs forever - My desire
is that my Man Hill and his wife live or continue with my son John Roper, but not as slaves; but
to do moderate Labour; and should they live to become chargeable in the judgment of my executors
then in that case, they shall be maintained out of my Estate - Lastly I leave my sons John,
Edward, George, David Roper and Richard Maddill Junr. executors to this my last will and testament
Revoking and making void all other former Wills heretofore made by me, and confirming this to be
my last; In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this fifteenth day of April eighteen
hundred and eight

David Roper

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(Signed sealed & acknowledged)
in presence of us -

Thomas Withinston Luke Fowler,

Litty H Bradley & George Hubbard,

At a Monthly Court held for Charles City County at the Courthouse on Thursday the twenty first day of
July 1608. The aforeswitten last will and testament of David Roper deceased was this day presented
in Court by John and Edward Roper two of the executors therein named, proved by the oaths of Thomas Withinston
and Littlebury H Bradley two of the witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded and is truly recorded on
the motion of the said executors who made oath on the Law streets and entered into Bond and security
in the penalty of two thousand dollars conditioned according to Law. certificate is granted them for
obtaining a probat thereof in due form. Liberty is reserved to the other executors to join in the probat when
they may think fit

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Wyatt Walker Esq.

In the name of God Amen I William Southall being in a low state of health but in my perfect
senses desirous to mind the certainty of death do make & ordain this my last will & Testament as follows
(to wit) Item, my will is what I have before given to my son Edward Roper & my son Philip Southall
they may peaceably possess them and their heirs forever - Item I give unto my son James Southall all
my land I now possess laying the south side of Peacehill Run, likewise a small piece on the north
side of the above mentioned Run known by the name of Gibsons beginning at a Meadow by that name
thence up the small Run to the road, thence along the road to Peacehill Run to him and his heirs
forever - Item, I give unto my sons Stephen Southall & Beller Southall all my lands not heretofore
given including a small piece in the Blincapin Ledges adjoining the lands of Henry Walker
smt. to be divided equally between the said Stephen & Beller to them and their heirs forever - but their Mother

is to have the use of the said land & houses, or any part thereof during her life - Item, my will desire is that all the rest of my estate Negroes included may be equally divided between my following children to wit: James B. Southall, Tabitha Southall, Stephen Southall, Esther Southall, Lucy Southall, and Sarah Southall but the negroes are to be kept together or hired as my wife may think proper for the support and education of my before mentioned children and as they come of age or marry they are to receive their proportions but let which of the children the following negroes may fall to, they are to continue with my wife during her life & then at her death to return to those they were allotted to (to wit) Hannah Liley & George - Lastly I constitute & appoint my son in law Edmund N. Graves and my son Philip Southall executors of this my last will and testament revoking and disannulling all others heretofore made in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this eighth day of January one thousand eight hundred and eight

Wm Southall.

Seal

At a Monthly Court held for Charles City County at the courthouse on Thursday the twenty first day of July 1808. The aforesaid last will and testament of William Southall deceased was this day presented in Court by Philip Southall one of the executors therein named, and being offered for proof, and there being no subscribing witness to the same therupon came Wyatt ^{Walter} and Hamlin Wilcox who being duly sworn, deposed and said, that they were well acquainted with the said Southall, and with his hand writing, that they have frequently seen him write, and that the said will and testament is wholly written by the said Southall thereupon the same is ordered to be recorded and is truly recorded

to the Wyatt Walker Esq.

In the name of God amen I Anthony Dixon being sick and weak but of perfect mind and memory reflecting on the precariousness of life & calling to mind the propriety of disposing in a proper manner the small share of property providence has been pleased to grant me. I desire that all my land which lies in the County of Elizabeth City may be sold by my executors hereafter named & the money arising from the sale I devise to my wife & her heirs - I devise all the land which I ever had in the County of Charles City to my wife & her heirs forever - together with all my Negroes except Sam and Peter, which two I bequeath to my Mother & her heirs - I also devise to my wife all my stocks of every kind to wit Horses, cattle, sheep together with all my furniture and every other kind of property which remains on the land aforesaid - I desire that the most speedy collection of my accounts and debts of every kind may be made - to be applied towards the payment of debts - I hereby emancipate liberate & set free for ever a little girl living with my friend Sam Tyler called Patty daughter of Moily - to whom I devise a legacy of two hundred pounds to be raised from the debts due me: to be paid to S. Tyler Esq: as soon as the collection can be made, & applied by him towards her maintenance and education; in the way he may judge best - The balance that may be found to remain from the collection of the debts due me after the payment of my debts, and satisfying the aforesaid legacy of two hundred and pounds; I hereby devise to my brother Bauer Dixon - of my stock of horses; I bequeath to my friend Sam Tyler his choice - I hereby appoint my friends John Tyler Esq: and Sam: Tyler Esq: executors of this my last will and testament, revoking all others heretofore made dated the 28th day of Feb 1794.

A.J. Dixon.

Seal

Signed & sealed in

presence of -

Abury Tyler, Esq: & Fowler

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At a quarterly court begun and held for Charles City County at the courthouse on Thursday the eighteenth day of August 1808 The afore written last will and testament of Anthony J. Dixon