

In the name of God Amen I John Bailey of the County of Chesterfield knowing
the time of Life to be very short & uncertain & finding myself in ^{perfect} health of body
& sound Mind & Memory do make & ordain this my last Will & Testament And first
to pay after all my just Debts owed by any of —

I do give & bequeath unto my Son Thomas Bailey two hundred Acres of Land in the aforesaid
County which I purchased of James Bradford to him & to his Heirs forever I also give & bequeath
unto my aforesaid Son Thomas Bailey one Negroe Man by the name of Sam to him & to his
Heirs forever I also give & bequeath to my Son Thomas Bailey one young Negroe not exceeding
ten Years old his own choice out of my Estate to him & to his Heirs forever I also give &
bequeath to my aforesaid Son one hundred Pounds in Cash also one feather Bed & Furniture
four Cows & below six Years & Lambs two Sows & Pigs to him & his Heirs forever
I do leave one thousand Pounds in Cash to be laid out in Land at the Discretion of
my Executors to be named and the Land that is to be laid out in the County of

four Years & below six Years & below two Years & I give to him & his heirs forever

I have one thousand Pounds in Cash to be laid out in Land at the Discretion of
my Executors hereafter to be named and the Land that is purchased with that Money & all the
other Lands I am now possessed of except what is before given away I have to be equally
divided in quantity & quality between my other six Sons namely John William
James Martin Charles & Alexander Baileys But if in case there should hereafter be found
any Coal or other Mines upon any of the Lands above given away before they are sold or
parted with my Will is that all my above named Sons or so many as ^{shall} ~~may~~ arrive to the age of
twenty one years shall have an equal Share & Right in the same my Will further is
that if after my Death my Executors should find that the Lands above given away can be
sold the Money arising therefrom & the thousand Pounds above mentioned can be laid
out more to the advantage of my Sons above named it should be ^{so} done but not without the
consent of my Loving Wife should she be living at that time

Chy Will further is that if any of my children shall die under age or
incapable of making a Will their part of the said estate be equally divided amongst
the surviving Brothers & the other part of their share of the personal Estate to be equally
divided amongst their other Brothers & Sisters then living

Item My Will & Desire further is that all my Negroes & other personal Estate of
what nature or kind soever it be except what is already given away be equally divided
Share & Share alike between my dearly beloved Wife my six youngest sons & my three
Daughters Namely John William James Martin Charles & Randolph Maileys
Daughters Namely Elizabeth Ann & Jane to them & to their Heirs forever

And my Desire is that my Estate shall ^{not} be divided untill my youngest son
comes to the age of fifteen years

And if in case my Stock of Negroes should increase to the Number of thirty before
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the Division is made my Desire is that my Son Thomas Bailey should in that case have one young Negro more than what is before given him of his own choice not exceeding ten years old And my Will further is that my son Schem Bailey should

have a negro boy by the name of Frank which he now has in possession to learn the carpenters Trade to be laid off in his Lot & to be valued as though he was a planting Negro. My Will further is that my Estate be not appraised but

that it be divided by three or more worthy Men chosen by the Court of the County where at that time the greatest part of Estate shall lay

I now give & bequeath to my dearly beloved Wife in riding Chair & horses one of about her equal share of ^{the rest of} my Estate and for the great ^{and trust} confidence I repose in

my Wife doing me Justice after my decease my Will is that all that part of my

estate that shall fall to her share of what kind never it shall be at her own disposal
at her Death except she marry for that case my Will is that she live with all her
Husband shall return into my Family & be equally divided amongst all my Children
that shall be living at that time

And I do hereby constitute & appoint my dearly beloved Wife Elizabeth Bailey
my Executor & also my son Thomas Bailey & my son Isaac Bailey, Executors of this my
last Will & Testament And I do also appoint my sons Thomas Bailey & Isaac ^{Riley} as
Guardians to all my younger Children In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set
my hand & seal This tenth Day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand
seven hundred & seventy eight

Witness

Thomas Bailey
Elizabeth Bailey Junr
Ann Bailey
William Bailey

Isaac Bailey