

Skills Robertson

Exam C

In the name of God amen I John Wadbridge of Chesterfield County being weak in body
but of perfect Health & strong in mind & knowing the uncertainty of Eternity & certainty of
Death do make & ordain this my last Will & Testament in manner & form following my soul
I do offer up to almighty God who first gave it hoping for pardon for all my sins & a happy
Ascension at the last through the merits and Intercession of my ever blessed Lord &
Saviour Jesus Christ and my Body I commit to the Earth from whence it came to be buried
in a decent manner without pomp at the Discretion of my Exors hereafter mentioned
And what worldly goods it hath pleased the almighty to possess me with it is my Will that
may be disposed of in the manner & form following first it is my Will & desire that all my
just debts be paid

Impromises I send to my beloved Wife at request Wadbridge the Plantations I now live
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containing four hundred acres Land also four Negroes viz^t Robin
York & Luc without any Interruptions to be lawfully possessed during his natural

I am I give & bequeath unto my beloved Wife Margaret Woolbridge all my
house-hold & kitchen Furniture of every kind whatsoever also all my Plantation
Utensils of every kind also all my stock of every kind except three cows & calves
to be hereafter given by me unto ^{her} North to her heirs forever

I am I give & bequeath unto my son Richard Woolbridge all that tract or parcel
of Land lying in Prince Edward County which my said son formerly lived on one
Negroe Tallas Peter formerly in his possession but since sold by my said son for
one Shilling Sterling to him & his heirs forever

I am I give & bequeath unto my son John Woolbridge all that tract or parcel of
Land lying in Bedford County which my said son now lives on & one Negroe Tallas
Punch which was formerly in his possession & one Shilling Sterling to him & his heirs forever

Land lying in Bedford County which my said Son was late with one Negro Fellow
Punch who was formerly in his possession & one Shilling Sterling to him & his heirs
forever

Item I give & bequeath unto my Son William Woodbridge the tract of Land lying &
being in Chesterfield County containing two hundred acres which said Land my son was
to the Value of one hundred Pounds some years ago & one Negro Fellow Tony which was
in his possession some years ago & is since dead and one Shilling Sterling to him & his
Heirs forever

Item I give & bequeath unto my Daughter Mary Abner one Negro Fellow Cuffy
formerly in her Husband John Abners possession but since sold by him of whom
became the purchaser which said Negro is now in Possession of my Son Thomas
Woodbridge for the use hereafter mentioned I give to my said Daughter Mary Abner

Handy for the pocket and of durable material. Leather one half half the leather
 paper also one half the leather to the leather paper

I am I have by my wife's wedding given my daughter Elizabeth Wine a Jewell of her own affection
 after the Decease of John Martin & his Wife one Negroe Button before now in Possession of my
 Son Thomas Wardridge also one hand & half to her & her heirs forever

Item I give & bequeath unto my five grand children Vizt Thomas Wadsworth both Wadsworth
John Wadsworth Francis Wadsworth & Peter Wadsworth ^{and his issue} one Negro Job his name in the Tally
as of my Nephew Thomas Wadsworth to be equally divided among them & their heirs forever

Item I give bequeath unto my son Edmund Wadsworth the tract of land whereon he now
lives containing four hundred acres which is already made over to by Deed recorded in Hampshire
land book by me signed by Abigail now in my said son's possession & are willing, settling
to him & his heirs forever

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Ann Spivey & Lequith wrote my son Robert Thaddeus after me, Thad's namesake and Thad's

line containing four hundred acres which is already made over to by Deed recorded in humber
land book of one Negroe boy Mingo now in my said Son's Possession & one Shelling holding
to him & his Heirs forever

Item I give & bequeath unto my Son Robert Woodridge after my Wife's Decease one Negroe
Yellor. Akin & one Negroe boy Yake being two of the Negroes I have ^{now} to my Wife I also give
unto my said Son Robert Woodridge one feather Bed & Furniture to him & his Heirs forever

Item I give & bequeath unto my son Thomas Woodridge two hundred & seventy five acres
Land lying in Buckingham County now in his Possession one Negroe Wench Jane & her increase
to him & his Heirs forever

Item I give & bequeath unto my Daughter Verlincha Elam one Negroe Wench Jane & her
Increase which now in my said Daughters Possession to her & her Heirs forever

Item I give & bequeath unto my Daughter Ruth Elam the Land & Plantation wherein I now
live containing four hundred acres after the death of my Wife being the same Land which

than last my Wife during her natural life & after her decease I am willing
in case any in her Possession to her Heirs forever

Item I give & bequeath unto my Daughters Martha & Hannah Woodbridge five
Shillings to wit. Each five Shillings & I am willing that their increase also five Shillings be
& forever after the Death of my Wife which I give I have last to my Wife during her
natural Life & their increase to be equally divided ^{between} in any manner they may think
proper to them & their Heirs forever Now in case my son Thomas & daughter
& Hannah Woodbridge should either of them die without lawful Issue it is my Will
that then or either of their Estates may be equally divided among the survivors or
Survivors to them & their Heirs forever

And lastly I do appoint my sons Edmund & Thomas Woodbridge & my daughter
law Richard Coleman my lawful Executors to this my last Will & Testament according to
other Wills made by me heretofore In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand

that then or either of their Estates may be equally divided among the Survivors or
Survivors to them & their Heirs forever

And lastly I do appoint my Sons Edmund & Thomas Woodbridge & my Son in
Law Richard Elean my lawful Exors. to this my last Will & Testament reading &
other Wills made by me heretofore In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand
& affixed my seal this sixteenth Day of November in the year of our Lord Christ
one thousand seven hundred & eighty

Signed sealed published & declared
In the presence of

James Dupree
George Smith
Benjamin Withers

John Woodbridge

Exam. C

In the name of God Amen I Benjamin Withers