

the parish of Manchester and county of Whitefield being Tuck and
wrote of body but of perfect sense and memory do constitute this
writing to be my last will and Testament in manner and form
following: First I give my soul to God hoping to receive remission
of all my offences: and to inherit life everlasting and my body to
be decently buried at the discretion of my Executors whom I shall
hereafter appoint.

I lend unto my beloved wife Ann the use of all my tract of land
and plantation whereon I now live. untill my son John shall come
to the age of twenty one years and then I give to my said son John
two hundred acres of my said tract of land which shall include
one hundred and fifty acres which I purchased of John Smith and
fifty acres of my old tract which I bought of John Smith

fifty acres of my old tract, which said fifty acres shall be allotted
at the discretion of my Executors adjoining the abovementioned one
hundred and fifty acres to him and his heirs and assigns forever
I leave unto my beloved wife Ann during her natural life one hundred
and eighty three acres of land which shall be laid off to her at the
discretion of my Executors so as to include the houses garden orchard
where I now live and after her death I give the said one hundred and
eighty three acres of land to my son Francis to him and his heirs
and assigns forever
I give and bequeath to my sons Archibald and Thomas Spencer the
remaining part of my tract of land to them and their heirs and assigns
forever which said land shall be divided between them at the
discretion of my Executors having regard to quantity and quality

but should either of my sons ^{Chesterfield County, Virginia Wills 1785 to 1800} ~~Richard~~ or Thomas ~~Thomas~~ ^{www.virginiawills.com} die

this life before they come of age or marry, then my will and desire is that the
same part of my land as before mentioned shall be equally divided between
the survivors of them and to their heirs and assigns forever.

I give and bequeath to my daughters Mary, Elizabeth and Nancy I give
to each of them a negro girl to be allotted them by my executors when they
shall arrive at sixteen years of age, or as much sooner as to my said
executors shall appear convenient or necessary to them and their heirs and assigns
forever.

I leave unto my beloved wife Ann during her natural life four choice of my
Slaves together with one fourth part of all my Stocks of what kind soever
and household and kitchen furniture. To be subject to the maintenance
of my son Matthew during his natural life, and should my wife depart
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life before my said son Matthew, then I make such part of my estate before mentioned subject to his maintenance during his natural life or so much thereof as may be necessary for that purpose

I give and bequeath to my seven children John Archibald, Mary, Thomas, Elizabeth, Francis, and Nancy Spencer all the remaining part of my estate to be equally divided between them to them and their heirs and assigns forever

I also give to my seven children above named all that part of my estate before lent to my wife during her natural life and subject to the maintenance of my son Matthew which said part of my estate shall be divided equally between them after the death of my wife and my said son Matthew to them and their heirs and assigns forever but should either of my seven children above named depart this life before they come of age or marry then my will and desire is that such child's part of the above estate shall be divided between the survivors of them and to their heirs and

shall be of such profit and the profits so arising after main-
 taining all my family be divided as my estate until my children
 are entitled to their respective portions or legacies unless my wife should
 marry, and then on that case the part of my estate before last shall be
 allotted to her. My will and desire ^{is} that should it be found necessary
 to dispose of any part of my estate for the payment of my Just debts that
 my Executors have power to dispose of negroes or stocks for that purpose
 as to them shall appear most proper and that my estate shall not be
 impeached: And Lastly I do appoint my beloved wife Ann executor
 and my Friends Archibald Wallcut and David Patterson ^{Executors} of this my last
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 my Seal this fifteenth day of February one thousand Seven hundred
 and eighty six

Signed Sealed and acknowledged
 In presence of

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In the name of God Amen I leave last