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William Rotunty
John Ruddle

Brought in the name of God Amen I Samuel Branch
Wife The County of Chesterfield and Parish of Manchester, being
of Perfect Sense and Memory and of disposing mind
hereby make and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament
Inprinces I devise and bequeath unto my Son Nathaniel
in full simple all the Estate and Property whatever which
herebefore given him

I am My Wife and share in, this last Will and Testament

that all the Estate, Money and Personal Property which I
give to my son Samuel Branch Decided in his lifetime be
subject to distribution among his representatives and next of kin
in the same manner as if the same had been by deed for-
mally conveyed to the said son & in his lifetime in full
- simple

Item I devise bequeath and confer unto each of my Daughters
Elizabeth Morris, Hannah Hopkins and Mary Marshall
severally in fee simple all the Estate, Money and other Personal
Property whatever I have: formally given them and each of
them respectively

Item I devise unto my sons William Branch, Charles
Branch and Thomas Branch and their heirs forever
the Tract of Land on which I now live to be equally divided
between them and in case either of them Two Sons Charles

them respectively

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I now give unto my Son William Branch, his heirs
Branch and Thomas Branch and their heirs forever
the Tract of Land on which I now live to be equally divided
between them and in case either of my Two Sons Charles
and Thomas should depart this life before the age of Twenty
One Year then the said Land to be equally divided between
the Survivors and their heirs forever and if both of them the said
Charles and Thomas die under the Age of Twenty One
Years then my Will is that my Son William have the
whole of the said Land to him and his heirs forever
I now give and bequeath unto Elizabeth Jackson during
her natural life two Negro Slaves to wit Peter and Tall
with her future increase and after the death of the said
Elizabeth Jackson my Will and desire is that the said
Peter and Tall with her future increase be equally divided
between John Jackson, Smith Jackson, Rachel Jackson

(and Thomas should depart his age upon the age of twenty
One Year then the said Land to be equally divided between
The Surovivors (and their heirs forever: (and if both of them the said
Charles (and Thomas die under this Age of Twenty One
Years then my Will is that my son William have the
whole of the said Land to him (and his heirs forever
Then I give (and bequeath unto Elizabeth Jackson during
her natural life two Negro Slaves to wit: Peter (and Tall
with her future increase: and after the death of the said
Elizabeth Jackson my Will (and desire is that the said
Peter (and Tall with her future increase be equally divided
between John Jackson, Sarah Jackson, Rachel Jackson
Shannan Jackson (and Lucy Jackson children of the said
Elizabeth to them (and their heirs forever
I further give (and bequeath unto the said Elizabeth Jackson
(and her heirs forever the sum of Thirty Pounds current

Money of Virginia to be paid by my Executors out
my Estate also the two Leather Bags and contents
together with the ~~Portraits~~ ^{appertainings} to the same
which are generally made use of by the above Children
of the said Elizabeth

And I give and bequeath all the rest and residue of my
Estate and Personal Estate unto my three Sons William
Charles and Thomas in fee simple (they paying also
my just Debt thereout) to be divided equally among
them and subject to Incumbrances in the same manner
to which I have subjected my Land

And Lastly I do hereby appoint and constitute Isaac Hill
my true and lawful Executor and William Branch Esq.
of the my last Will and Testament In Witness
whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my
seal the 11th day of December 1784

to which I have assigned my sign
And Lastly I do hereby appoint (and constitute Isaac Ball
my Son & then Branch (and William Branch Esq
of the my last Will (and Testament In testimony
whereof I have hereunto set my hand (and affixed my
Seal the eleventh day of December in the Year of our Lord
One thousand seven hundred (and eighty three

signed sealed (and published by the
above named Samuel Branch as
for his Testament (and last
Will in presence of us who
have subscribed our names
herein in his presence (and in
presence of each other

Sam^l Branch
Witness

Thomas Bridgewater
John Ball

James &

Benny Davidson in the name of God Amen I David Benny of the parish