

In the Name of God Amen I Thomas Belcher of Chesterfield County, Virginia Wills 1785 to 1800
 Will being in perfect Health & sound Mind hereby Give & be it Oughtly God
 do make this my last Will & Testament in Manner as follows the

Item I give & devise to my Son John Belcher my Part of Land that I now
 live on to him and his Heirs forever also one Negro Boy named John to
 him and his Heirs forever

Item I give to my loving Wife Mary Belcher my Land that I now live on
 also two Negroes named Bob & Fane also all my House Hold Furniture
 and all my Stock of Horses Cattle Hogs & Sheep during her natural Life
 or Widowhood

Item I Will & Order is that all my Estate that I have lent my loving
 Wife Mary Belcher except the Land that I have given my Son John
 Belcher is to be equally divided between my four Children Martha
 Mary Sarah & Fanny & Mary Ferguson and John Belcher, to their and
 their Heirs forever

Item I the said Thomas Belcher do hereby bequeath my Estate ~~and~~ ^{not} to be ^{of} my own. I do hereby
 give & devise to my Son John Belcher Executor to this
 my last Will and Testament all the things which I have bequeathed
 to my Wife Mary and a new one dated the second Day of December 1786.
 Signed & sealed in presence of

Thomas Belcher (Seal)