

Branch of the name of Benjamin Branch of the name of
Will of Parish in the County of Chesterfield being in my perfect Memory
& Judgment thanks be to God therefore do make this my last Will
& Testament in Manner following Viz.

Impr^d I resign my soul to God that gave it & Trust to the Lord
hoping to receive the same at the resurrection & as my worldly Estate
I dispose of it as follows

Item 1st I give & bequeath to my Nephew Benjamin Branch Son
of Benjamin Branch six hundred Acres of Land in Chesterfield
County it being the Plantation whereon I now live Beginning at a large
black Oak in Honey Branch Line near a Branch from thence &
north thence to John Keweenaw Line to him & his Heirs forever

Also I give to my Nephew Benjamin Branch Son of Benjamin Branch

black Oak in Honey Branch Line near a Branch from Thence
north course to John Asada Line to him & his Heirs forever

Also I give to my Nephew Benj.ⁿ Branch the Negroes To wit
Crownby Dick Leasa Phibol & his child Doll & old Betty & their issue
to him & his Heirs forever

Secondly. I give to my Nephew Thomas Branch son of Benjamin
Branch two Negroes To wit Harry & Sarah & her increase to him & his
Heirs forever

Thirdly I give to my Nephew Thomas Branch son of Candice
Branch two Negroes To wit Daniel & Bob to him & his Heirs forever

Fourthly. I give to my Nephew Benjamin Branch two Negroes
To wit James & little Dick to him & his Heirs forever

Fifthly. I give to my Niece Molly Branch Daughter of Candice

from

Sixthly. I give the remainder of my Land in Chesapeake County to be
equally divided between Benjamin Thwait & Thomas Branch Son of
Branch giving the part whereon William Thwait now lives to Benjamin
Thwait after my sister Prudence Thwait's Death & not before to them & their
Heirs forever

Seventhly. I give all my House & Kitchen Furniture to be equally di-
vided between Benjamin Branch Son of Benjamin Branch & Benjamin
Thwait also one half my Stock of all kind to them & their Heirs forever
and the other half to be equally divided between Thomas Branch Son
of Benjamin & Thomas Branch Son of Edward to them & their Heirs forever

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Eighthly. I leave to my sister Prudence Thwait the Plantation whereon she

And the other half to be equally divided between Thomas Branch
of Frymoun & Thomas Branch Son of Edward to them & their heirs forever
legally. I lend to my sister Prudence Thwait the Plantation wherein she
now lives during her natural Life also fourteen Negroes To wit Telling
Dick John Andrew Joe Mathew Effie Hannah Sall Doll Puff Fanny Bess
Molbrough & their increase & at her decease I give the above named Negroes
& their increase to be equally divided amongst all my sister's children
Also the Stock & Houses on the Plantation after my sister's Death to be
equally divided between her children

My Wife I give to my Niece, Molly Branch Daughter of Samuel Branch
 and the residue of I leave to the Value thereof in Money to the remainder of my
 Estate to be equally divided between my four Nephews before mentioned to wit
 Branch, Thos. Branch Senr. Thos. Branch Junr. Thos. Branch and Thos. Branch

And lastly I am contented to say that I have
to leave Branch Executors to this my last Will & Testament
revoking all other Wills by me heretofore made. In Witness whereof
I have hereunto set my hand & seal this twenty second Day of April
one thousand seven hundred & seventy eight

Signed sealed published & attested to
to the last Will & Testament of The
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The Branch

John Robinson

John Aude

Mary Pilkinton

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