

1616. In the name of God amen this twelfth Day of December in the year
of our Lord Christ one thousand seven hundred & seventy six I Thomas
Walthall of the County of Chesterfield being very low & weak by afflictions
& also sickness But the Lord be praised of a sound mind & memory I praise
God for the same & calling to mind the transitory state that poor Mortals be
under by Hurts and Dangers that ^{might} befall us every Day I make & add to
the my last Will & Testament in manner & form following

First & Principally I resign my Soul unto the Arms of almighty God
who gave it & my Body to the Earth to be buried in a Christian like
manner at the Discretion of my Executors hereafter named & as for my
worldly Goods I dispose of them in manner & form following

I give & bequeath to my eldest son Henry the whole
my tracts of Land I am possessed with, now being the tract
where I now live the other tract lying on both sides the stream where
the said tract where ~~where~~ I now live my said son Henry is
not to be possessed with before the decease of my dear Wife Elizabeth
after the decease of my dear Wife the said tract of Land as well as
the other I give to my said son Henry the said tracts of Land to
my said son Henry & his heirs forever

I give & bequeath to my son Nathaniel Kalthall one Negro
Girl named Luce & her increase to my said son Nathaniel & his heirs
forever And also I give to my said son Nathaniel one hundred & twenty
five pounds current Money to him & his heirs forever

I am the Will of the said

five pounds ten shillings Money to him & his Heirs forever

Item my Will & Desire is that all the Remainder of my Estate both real & personal to be equally divided between My dear Wife Elizabeth & my Children my said Son Maule to have his full Share with his said Wife with my dear Wife Elizabeth & my Children the said Negroes I give to my dear Wife Elizabeth & my Children & their Heirs forever

Item my Will & Desire is that if either of my Children should die before they arrive to the age of twenty one years or married my aforesaid Son Maule to possess the said Daughter or Brothers part of their Estate & his Heirs forever

Item I leave my dear Wife Elizabeth in full possession of

my Land Plantation where I had been living my whole life
natural life and also I leave my dear Wife my best garment or in the
House to discharge my Just Debts with after I am dead

And so appoint my loving Wife Elizabeth & Henry Featherston
to be Executors of this my last Will & Testament. As Wills my hand
the Day & year above written

Witnessed and declared by the P. Tho^s Watthall

last Will & Testament. In presence of

Henry Featherston

John Watthall Jun^r

Charles Hunsley

William Watthall

Ex^{co}.

Tho^s Watthall