

be recorded. And an Act motion of the said Executors Certificate is granted
them for obtaining a Probat thereof in due time they having made
oath thereto and given bond and Security according to Law

Teste John Farneson Secy

In the name of God Amen I James Graves of the County of Culpeper
and Parish of Bromfield being sick withall considering that it is appointed for all
men to die and being in Perfect Memory do make and Bid as this my last
Will and Testament in manner and form following to wit: I give and bequeath
my soul to Almighty God that gave it me and my Body to the ground to be
decently buried in hopes of a joyfull Resurrection to Eternal life and my worldly
Goods which is consisting of my Real Estate I leave to be disposed of in the manner
and form following viz: I first my desire that all my Just and Lawfull Debts
shall be paid as soon as possible Inprimis

Item I give to my daughter Mary Parks and her Heirs the following Slaves
viz. Pat and her child Abel and one Girl Vilate them and their Increase

417 I give to my Daughter Pail Jones and her Heirs the following slaves
viz: Dick Mary and her child Lydia them and their Increase

I give the following slaves to my son John Graves viz: Cain and one
girl Hannah during his natural life and if he leaves Heirs at his Death
I give the above mentioned negroes viz: Cain and Hannah to them and their
Heirs forever together with their Increase and if my son John Graves should
die and leave no Heir of his Body I give the two above named Slaves and
their Increase to be equally divided between my daughters Mary
Porter and Pail Jones and their Heirs forever

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My desire is that each of my Children before mentioned or their Heirs
or Successors shall before they Inherit the part of my Estate so left them or
have it in possession give to my wife Sarah Graves their mother Bond
with sufficient security to pay her annually Two pounds Ten shillings
Sterling each at any month in the year that she may think proper to
mention yearly during her natural life Also I give to my loving wife
Sarah Graves my land and plantation during her life and give her a
horse the Choice of my stock, also one side saddle one bed and furniture
her choice of my beds also one cow and calf Choice her Trunk also one hundred

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pounds paper currency the money now in circulation and at her
death my land to be sold at the best price that can be had, and the money
equally divided among my three children above mentioned or their Heirs
lawfully begotten. I then Give my Surveyors Instruments to James
Parks Heir I give my Bridle saddle and wearing cloaths to James Graves
Jones and all the rest of my property to be Equally divided among my
three children or their Heirs and lastly I constitute and appoint
my son John Graves and my son in law Richard Parks & William
Jones Executors of this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all
former Wills by me made and acknowledge this to be my last Will
Whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this Twenty seventh day
of April 1784

Teste

Ben Garner

John Deel

James Parks Interline

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At about test for last will &c. 1. the 21. of May 1784

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James Parks Interline

James Graves (L.S.)

At about town for Culpeper County the 28 day of May 1784

This last Will and Testament of James Graves Dec^d was Exhibited
to the Court by Richard Parks and William Jones. Two of the Executors
there

therein named, and was proved by the oaths of the Witnesses thereto and
 ordered to be recorded, and on the motion of the said Executors Certificate is granted
 them for obtaining a probat thereof in due form they having sworn to the
 same and given bond and Security according to Law. Liberty being reserved
 for the other Executor to join in the probat when he shall think fit

Teste John Cameron Secy

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Pratt - In the name of God Amen I Jonathan Pratt of the County of
 Culpeper being well in Body and of perfect memory thanks be to. Therefore
 calling unto mind to mortality of my body and knowing that it is appoint-
 ed for all men once to die do make and Ordain this my last will and
 Testament that is to say Principally and first of all I give and Recommend
 soul into hands of God that gave it and for my Body I recommend it to the
 earth to be buried in a christian like and decent manner at the Discretion
 of my Executors nothing doubting but at the general resurrection I shall
 receive the same again in the month of Decr 23 1771