

Williams In the name of God Amen I William Williams being in
perfect health but calling to mind the mortality of this life do make and
constitute this my last will. I ~~recommit~~ ^{commit} my soul back to God
who gave it and my body to be decently buried at the Discretion of my
Executors hereafter named and as to what worldly Goods it has Pleased
God to bestow on me with after paying my Just Debts I dispose of as follows
Item I give to my Loving son John Williams the tract of land that I purchased
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containing two hundred and Twenty six acres to him and his Heirs
forever.

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Item I give to my son John Williams four Negroes to wit, James Aaron Moses
and Jane and their Increase to him and his heirs forever—

Item I leave my Stock Waggon and team Still Household and Kitchen furniture
to be sold to pay my Just debts and if that and my book Debts should
prove sufficient my Desire is that my Executors should sell my Lot
in Fairfax Town my part of a tract of land at Stonehouse Mountain
between Col^d Samuel Clayton and myself also my part of a tract
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the discharging my Debts—

I send all the rest of my Estate both Real and personal to my
loving wife Mary Williams during her natural life, to be kept

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Together for the maintainance and Education of the rest of my children
Item my will is that the tract of land where I now live between my sons
James Williams and William Blayton Williams in the manner
following (to wit) the mill and three hundred acres to make one lot and
the residue of the tract to make up the other lot and James Williams to have
his choice but if my Brother John Williams should give the land whereon
he lives to either of my two sons James Williams or William Blayton
Williams in that case I give the part of this Tract of mine that he was
to have had to my son Philip Williams and which ever two of the three
should get it I give it to them and their heirs forever

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Item I Desire that my Executors would raise a sum of money out of the Profits
of my Estate and purchase land for my Youngest son Samuel Williams
and if my brother John Williams should not give his land to either of my
sons James, William Blayton, or Philip that my Executors also Purchase
a Tract for my son Philip the Quantity I leave to their Discretion as I
will Depend on the money that they can raise.

Item I Desire that my Daughter Ann Williams have a Decent Maintainance
out of my Estate and if she should out live her mother that she shall have
a right to live at the manner house During her life and that her Brother
and Sisters in an equal proportion

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a right to live at the manner house during her life and that her Brother
and Sisters in an Equal proportion pay her Twenty pounds a year
for her support and Maintenance

Item I leave all the residue of my Estate not before Given to be Equally Divided
after the Death of my loving wife or when my Executors shall have
Raised a sufficient sum of money to purchase the land above mentioned
between my children James Williams Lucy Williams Susanna Williams
Mary Williams William Clayton Williams Philip Williams and
Samuel Williams and to their Heirs forever but if either of them
should Die before the Division should be made and leave no child
behind them that in that case the Division to be among the survivors

Item I do constitute my loving wife Lucy Williams Executrix my loving
son John Williams my loving Brother John Williams and my
loving brother in Law Samuel Clayton and James Slaughter Executors
to this my will and I do appoint this my last will Revoking and
Disannulling all others In Witness whereof I have hereunto set
my hand and seal this 27 day of April 1775

Signed sealed and Published

William Williams

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William Williams Sr.

Signed sealed and Published
in Presence of

John Banks

Henry Banks

James Bruce

A further explanation of this my Last will is that any one of my four
youngest sons James, William Clayton Philip or Samuel should die
before they come of age and leave no legitimate child that if my Executors
should not have purchased a Tract of land for any one of my two youngest
that he shall have the land of his Deceased Brother and to their heirs
but if they should have purchased land that then the oldest of them
four that shall be alive shall have the Deceased one's part and if any
one of my Daughters should Marry before the Division should be made
my Desire is that my Executors should then have two Negroes at
their Marriage Count them as part of their Dividend In Witness
whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 27 Day of April 1775
Signed sealed and Published
in presence of

John Banks
Henry Banks
James Bruce

William Williams, L.J.

At a Court held for Culpeper County the 20 day of April 1778

This is to

in presence of

John Banks

Henry Banks

James Bruce

William Williams Esq.

At about held for Culpeper County the 20 day of April 1778

This Last will and Testament of William Williams Deceased was
Exhibited to the Court by John Williams and John Williams Junr two of
the Executors therein named and was proved by the oaths of Henry Banks
and James Bruce two of the Witnesses thereto and Ordered to be recorded
and on the motion of the said Executors Certificate is granted them for
obtaining a Probate thereof in due form they having made oath thereto
and given bond and Security according to Law. Liberty being reserved
for the other Executors to join in the Probate when they shall thin fit
fit John Williams Junr who at Law was in Court and Admits of the
Proof

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