

In the Name of God Amen I James Holman of the Parish of St. Mary's
Borough and County of Cumberland being Weak & Feeble but
yet Sense and Memory for which I Praise Almighty God but
knowing the Uncertainty of this Life do make this my Last Will
and Testament in Manner and Form following.

I give my Soul into the Arms of Jesus Christ my
Saviour who Redeem'd with his most precious Blood
and to the Father to be buried at the direction of my
Wife & all herein after mention and as for what I have

Wish God has been pleased to bless me with I give and bequeath
and I have following

I leave unto my Mother Sarah Holman during her Natural Life
two Negroes Viz. Phill & Sue eight Head of Cattle twenty Sheep
Keggs four Head of Sheep two further beds & furniture one
Chair a large Leather Trunk two Tables two Table 2.5.11
large looking glasses of the Kitchen Furniture the Table
Keggs & young Mare all from the Table on which she lives
I leave unto my loving Wife Jane during her Natural Life

I have unto my Mother Sarah Hobman during her Natural life
two Negroes viz. Phill & Sam eight Head of Cattle twenty
Hogs four Head of Sheep two further beds & furniture viz
Chairs a large leather Trunk two Tables two Table & 2
large looking glass & of the Kitchen furniture the Bk
Hops & Young Mare all from the Bk. when she lived
I have unto my loving Wife Jane during her Natural life
two Negroes viz. Jonathan Frank & Flora and my servant
Sarah who be comes to my son one she paying for
Freedom dues is a my Hops & Mares Mares three
four further 1 is of furniture six leather Chairs two Walnut
Tables two Iron Pots two Bows Hells & Young Cows two
Hens six Ducks six Geese a fifteen Head of Cattle six Hens &
Sheep all the stock of Hogs when I live & her Saddle & Bridle
I have unto my son & daughter in law my son in Law the Master
my Negro Morris during her life I have unto my son & daughter
Sarah who be comes to my son one she paying for

I now give and bequeath unto my son James one Negro Man
then I give and bequeath unto my son William Martin
one Negro Man. I now my Servant Boy Phill to my son James
his freedom when he arrives to the age of twenty one years
to him and to his heirs forever also one Head of Cattle

Then I give and bequeath unto my son James one Negro Man
Will also a young Horse that I have given ^{to him} to his heirs
forever. Then I give and bequeath unto my son John one
Negro Woman Nanny and her future Increase also a Horse
Colt that came of the Black mare to him and to his heirs forever.

Then I give and bequeath unto my son William one Negro
Boy Phill to him and to his heirs forever. Then I give
and bequeath unto my son Henry one Negro Girl Tabby
and her Increase to him and to his heirs forever.

Then I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Mary one Negro
Girl Selby and her Increase to her and to her heirs forever.

My Will and desire is that my two Negroes Mungo and Sam of Horse
Traps shall Work on the Plantation wherein I now live or on
my Land on Broad Rivers in South Carolina.

of which I have decided that my two Negroes Mary & Jane & George
Tregels shall Work on the Plantation Whither I now live or on
my Land on Broad Branch in Hampshire at the direction of
my Executors also my Servant Amy Sandy the Income or Profit
of the said Slaves after clothing shall be applied towards
Schoology and Clothing my four Children Viz James John
William Henry & Mary My Will and desire is that all the
rest of my Estate I have left that or your any shall all
be sold upon the Month's Credit and the Money arising
from such sale after paying my said Debts shall be equally
divided between my four Children Viz James John
William Henry and Mary and the same forever.
My Will and desire is that after my death my Executors all
the Estate that I have left shall be sold and the Money
arising from such sale shall be equally divided among my four
Children Viz James John William Henry & Mary
and their heirs forever My Will and desire is that after my
death my said Servant Amy Sandy shall be sold
by my Executors upon the Month's Credit and the Money

any property from such sale shall be equally divided
between my sons James and John and their heirs forever.

And in case my Wife should die before my son John arrives to the
age of twenty one years that the said land shall remain undivided
until my son arrives to full age in order to Write his Name
and the Names that are to work to maintain my children as
before mentioned.

My Will and desire is that if any of my
four Youngest Children should die before they arrive to the age of
twenty one years or married that then their part of the Estate

that I have given them shall be equally divided between the
survivors of my four Youngest Children viz. James John

William Henry & Mary and their heirs forever. My Will

desire is that after my Brothers decease that all my land

Goodland bounty shall be equally divided between my son

William and Henry and their heirs forever that is the Dwelling

House wherein my Father lately lived with one half of the

Tract adjoining to the said House I give to the said Henry

the other half of the said Tract adjoyns. Broom

to my said son Henry. My Will and desire is that

to my said son Henry. My Will a. I desire is that
James & John & Daughter Mary shall

beholding and my son William & Henry each four
shilling. I do appoint and name my loving friend

Johnman executor and my two sons in law both
William Martin and my friend John 'Cotton' have

this my last Will and Testament writing all & the
was made and declaring this to be my last Will & Testament

In Witness whereof I have signed my Hand & Seal the
day of Novemb: 1760

Signed Sealed & Acknowledged
in presence of

John Miller John Martin
Daniel P. Cannon

At a Court held for Cumberland County November 23rd 1760

This last Will and Testament of James Cotton was
presented in Court by James Cotton executor

James Cotton

...the same was granted by John ...
...of the ... and ...
...the ... is granted them for obtaining a
... in the ...
... John ... and ...
... their ... and ...
... according to law and ...
... to join in ...

Test Thomas ...

In the Name of God Amen I John ... of the Parish of
Southam & County of Cumberland being of perfect and disposing
Sane and Mem ... do make ordain constitute and ...