

of God bless. I Peter Harris of King William parish in
the county of Cumberland being in but an indifferent state of health, but
of sufficient mind and memory knowing the certainty of death and the
uncertainty of the time thereof. To prevent disputes (which might arise
after my decease concerning my estate which God hath been pleased to
bless me with) I do hereby make and ordain this my last will and
testament in the following manner.

In witness whereof I do hereby offer my soul unto almighty God, hoping through
the mediation of my ever blessed Lord and saviour Jesus Christ to obtain
pardon for my transgressions; my body I desire may be buried in a decent
manner at the discretion of my executors and executors hereafter mentioned
and after my just debts and funeral charges are paid then the rest of my estate
I give as followeth.

Item I give and bequeath unto my son Henry Harris one certain tract or parcel
of land lying on Dutoy's branch in Cumberland county wherein I now
live containing three hundred and fifty acres (to the same time or life)
after the death of my beloved wife Elizabeth Harris, who during her widow
hood, she or my desire that she may quietly enjoy the said whole tract of land
and appurtenances thereto belonging wherein I now live without the
least interruption or hindrance of whom my said son Henry Harris or any
other person whatsoever but in case my said son

Wills are with me. I do hereby make and declare this my last will and testament in the following manner.

In witness whereof I commit my soul unto almighty God, hoping through the mediation of my ever blessed Lord and saviour Jesus Christ to obtain pardon for my transgressions; my body I desire may be buried in a decent manner at the discretion of my executors and administrators hereafter mentioned; and after my just debts and funeral charges are paid then the rest of my estate I give as followeth.

Item. I give and bequeath unto my son Henry Harris one certain lot or parcel of land lying on Dutys branch in Brunswick county wherein I now live containing three hundred and fifteen acres (to the same more or less) after the death of my beloved wife Elizabeth Harris, who during her widowhood it is my desire that she may quietly enjoy the said whole tract of land and appurtenances thereto belonging wherein I now live without the least interruption or hindrance of him my said son Henry Harris or any other person whatsoever. But in case my said wife Elizabeth should marry again then it is my desire that my said son Henry shall possess and enjoy all the other part of the said tract of land that lyeth on the upper side of Dutys branch from where I live (which he now makes his dwelling) and after her decease, my said son Henry then to have the whole tract of land to him.

but in case my said son Henry should die
before me I give and bequeath the said tract of land unto my son
John Henry before given my said son Henry - I also
give and bequeath unto my son Henry Slaves and negro men named
Trigpala to him and his heirs forever, but in case my said son Henry should
die before me then the said negro Trigpala to be equally divided among
my children then living - I also give unto my said son Henry Slaves
(after the death of his mother) one negro woman called Grace to him
and his heirs forever: but in case my said son Henry should die and leave
no issue then the said Grace to be equally divided among my children
then living. And whereas I have been informed that it hath been said
that I had promised to give to my son Henry Slaves five negroes (which
I do declare to be false, and I do utterly deny now having any intention
of making such promise, as it is not in my power to do it without
prejudice to my other children: which it is my will and desire that
each of my children hereafter mentioned may possess and enjoy what
soever I give them notwithstanding any claim or pretensions of him
my said son Henry Slaves, or any other person by force, or under him
my said son Henry Slaves, his heirs, executors, administrators or
assigns, or any person whatsoever.

I also give and bequeath unto my son John Henry the sum of one hundred pounds

curt. money (to be laid out in land for him by my executors and assigns
hereafter mentioned) and when my ^{son} John comes ^{to the age} of twenty one year
then my devise is that the said land (purchased with the said one hundred
pounds) be the whole & entire property of him my said son John forever
and his heirs forever. But in case my said son John should dye without
issue, then I give and bequeath the said tract of land unto all my daughters
then living to be equally divided amongst them: And should it so happen
that my said son John should dye before the said one hundred pounds be
sold for land for him my said son John; then the said sum of one hundred
pounds to be equally divided amongst all my daughters then living. I
also give and bequeath unto my said son John one negro named Will
when he arrives to the age of twenty one years to him and his heirs forever.
I likewise give and bequeath (after the death of his mother) one negro
named Tott (and her increase) after he arrives to the age of twenty one
years unto him my said son John and his heirs forever: But in case my
said son John should dye not being of full age and without lawful issue
then the said negroes Will & Tott and her increase to be equally divided
amongst my children then living.

Then I give and bequeath unto my daughter Susanna the use and labour of one
negro named Jane and her increase, also (after the death of her mother) I give
to my said daughter Susanna the use of one negro named Taptis, and at

the south of my said daughter. The same thing I give and bequeath to my negro
boys and girls and to my wife and to my children to
them and their heirs forever, but in such a manner that if the same other
death should have no child, then I give that the said property shall and law
conveyance may be equally divided amongst my children then living.

Item, I give and bequeath unto my daughter Elizabeth and her heirs forever
with her and her heirs forever, I also give unto my said daughter Eleanor the
sum of twenty pounds. I then lend to her husband William Guttery to
purchase the land whereon they live, being to the amount of eighty pounds
and upwards court money, and is instead of one negro man named
Simon which I intended to have given my said daughter. I also give and bequeath
unto my granddaughter Mary Guttery (at my daughter Eleanor's death) one negro
girl named Doll (and her heirs) with my said granddaughter Mary & her
heirs forever. I also give and bequeath unto my grandson Peter Guttery (after
my daughter Eleanor's death) one negro boy named George unto my said grand-
son and his heirs forever, and it is my will and desire (that after my daughter
Eleanor's death) that every one of them to be equally divi-
ded amongst the other children of my daughter Eleanor Guttery to them and
their heirs forever.

Item, I give and bequeath unto my daughter Elizabeth's children (whosoever shall be
the wife of Peter Walker) one negro girl named Mary and her heirs forever.

wife of Peter Walker) one negro girl named Hannah (none with the said
Peter Walker) the said negro Hannah and all the increase she may ever have
I give and bequeath unto my said grand children to be equally divided among
them as they arrive to the age of twenty one years or is married to them or
their heirs forever. And as I have been informed that it hath been said, "that
I had promised to give five negroes to my daughter Elizabeth or Peter Walker
her husband" which I declare to be entirely false and do solemnly deny ever
having any intention of making such promise, as it is not in my power
to do it without prejudice to my other children which it is my will and
desire that each of my other children may possess and enjoy to themselves I
give them notwithstanding any claim or pretensions of my said son in law
Peter Walker (or in or to the five negroes) or any claim or pretension by him or under
him the said Peter Walker his heirs executors administrators or assigns or any
other person whatsoever.

Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Sarah the wife of one negro man named
Lebb and after her mother's death I give unto my said daughter Sarah the wife of
one negro woman named Judith (and her increase) and at my said daughter Sarah's
death then I give and bequeath the said Lebb and Judith and her increase to be equal-
ly divided amongst my said daughter Sarah's children but if my said daughter
Sarah should die and leave no child then my desire is that the said negroes Lebb
and Judith and her increase may be equally divided among children then

Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Ann the up of one negro girl named
Pegg and (after her mothers death) I give unto my said daughter Ann the up
of one negro boy named George and as my said daughter Ann's death
shall come my said daughter Ann's children but if my said daughter Ann
shall die and leave no child, then my desire is that the said negro George
and Pegg and her increase may be equally divided amongst my children
then living.

Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Mary, the up of one negro girl na-
med Rachel and her increase, and (after her mothers death) I give unto
my said daughter Mary the up of one negro boy named Sam and as my
said daughter ^{Mary} death then I give and bequeath the said Rachel and Sam
(with all the increase of the said Rachel) to be equally divided among
my said daughter Mary's children but if my said daughter Mary should
die and leave no child, then my desire is, that the said Sam and Rachel
and her increase, may be equally divided among my children then
living.

Item This my will and desire that my daughter Ann may have the up of
the increase (of the negro girl named Pegg above mentioned) being not so
expressed in its due place.

Item It is my will and desire, that my executor and executor, hereafter named

do give to each of my four children (as have not been) such of my move-
able estate as may be equal to what part my three daughters Elizabeth, Anne and
Mary Elizabeth, and my son Henry have had already given them, which
was to about the value of twelve pounds each in money to each of them.

them. My will and desire is that one negro named Nat. one negro named
 Peter one named John. one named James and one named
 one named Mary. They may not have from

This day may be my my beloved wife disposed of among them of 2-4 children (at her death) as she may think proper.

Now my will and desire is, that my executors and assigns hereafter
mentioned, do sell my tract of land in Henrico county where I formerly
lived.

Item. I have made my beloved wife Elizabeth Harris, all the remainder of my
estate (which I have not already given) lying and being in what place
soever, during of her life, and at her death, I give and bequeath all the
said remainder of my estate to all my children then living, to be equally
divided amongst them.

I have mentioned this after the death of my daughter.
 I have said I have said and I am anxious to the children of my son & daughter.
 I have said it is my hope that my son & daughter have (daughter of
 my son & daughter) may have one more (daughter of the son & daughter)

Sign'd seals & acknowledged

Peter Harris S. S.

in presence of us

Daniel Guernant

Mary ^{his} Guernant

Peter Dappin

Chas. Blake

At a court held for Kent and county the 28th August 1775.

This writing was exhibited in court as the last will and testament of Peter Harris deceased by Elizabeth Harris his widow and executrix there named and the same is proved in the usual form by Daniel Guernant Mary Guernant and Charles Blake three of the witnesses thereto Whereas on Henry Harris heir at law of the said Peter appeared in court to contest the validity of the said will and on hearing the testimony of

which
Peter Dapf jun.
Chas. Blake

At a court held for Cumberland county the 22nd August 1775.

This writing was exhibited in court as the last will and testament of Peter Harris deceased by Elizabeth Harris his widow and executing there named and the same is proved in the usual form by Daniel Guernsey Mary Guernsey and Charles Blake three of the witnesses thereto whereas on Henry Harris heir at law of the said Peter appeared in court to contest the validity of the said will and on hearing the testimony of sundry witnesses and the said Henry and Elizabeth the said will is by the court adjudged valid and is thereupon ordered to be recorded.

Test

Thompson Swann clk

At a court held for Cumberland county 25th September 1775.

On the motion of Elizabeth Harris executrix within named who made oath according to law certificate is granted her for obtaining a probate of the last will and testament of Peter Harris deceased and she together with Henry Harris James Dapf her executor entered into bond according to law.

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