

being taken and liberty is reserved to the other executor to join in probate

Test Thompson sworn etc

I Ralph Shippen of Cumberland county do make my last will and testament in manner following In witness I give & devise to my loving wife during her natural life one hundred and fifty seven acres of land including the plantation also the use & profits of the following negroes to wit (Prudence) during her natural life together with the use of all my household goods all which I intend to be in full compensation of debts and educating my children hereafter named during their minority to wit James, Elizabeth, Mary, Phebe, Robert, and Jacob. I then I give & devise unto my son John Shippen two tracts of land and if he shall pay to Alexander Smith the debt now due to the said Smith from him my said son John in such manner as he shall see fit I thereafter discharge from the payment of that debt or any part of it my said son John and my said son John one negro boy named for whom he is now living with him and if my said son John do not pay the said debt in the manner aforesaid then I give the said negro boy unto my son Brown Shippen. I also I give & devise to my said son James

Slippen one negro named Phillis ^{of fifty} acres of land including the plantation whereon he now lives, and if my said son John should pay the debt above mentioned so that my said son Francis should not be entitled to the negro for him I give & devise to my said son Francis the negro boy Esau also one negro to my wife. Item I give & devise to my daughter Jane Slippen one negro named Phillis now living at my son John Slippens. Item I give to my daughter Elizabeth Slippen one negro named Butina. Item I give & devise to my daughter Mary Slippen one negro named Phillis. Item I give & devise to my son Philip to him & his heirs forever one hundred & fifty seven acres of land to be land adjoining to my son Francis part and one negro named Charles. Item I give & devise to my son Robert Slippen to him & his heirs forever one hundred & fifty seven acres of land & one negro named Jerry. Item I give devise to my son Jacob Slippen to him and his heirs forever the tract of land above given to my wife during her life I also give to my said son Jacob one negro named Simon. It is my will and desire that my son Philip shall be under the care of my son Francis and if he my said son Philip should die before he comes to the age of twenty one years then the estate devised to him I give & devise to my son Francis to him & his heirs forever.

Notwithstanding the land before given to my son Francis is not before mentioned in this my will to him & his heirs forever yet I do declare it to be so intended and I also declare it to be my intent that the legacies before given to my children that are not yet come to the age of twenty one should not be delivered to them til that age & that if any of them my said children except my son Philip should die before they come that

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then it is my will & desire that the legacies before devised to them as well as what will be
hereafter given to them should be equally divided among the survivors of them except
my son John who is intended to be excluded from any part of it. I do appoint that
after the death of my said wife the land negro stock & household goods allotted to her
shall be divided among all my children except my sons John & Francis who I do
exclude from any part of the said division. Lastly I do appoint my loving wife

Martha Flippen executrix & my son Francis Flippen executor of this my last
will & testament. Witness my hand & seal the XXIV day of February 1770.

Signed sealed published & declared in presence of.

Geo. Harrington Wm. Flippen

Ralph Flippen

Robert Walton

At a court held for Cumberland county 28th May 1770.

This last will and testament of Ralph Flippen deceased was proved by George Harrington
and William Flippen witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded. And on the motion
of Martha Flippen executrix and Francis Flippen executor therein named who made
oath according to law certificate is granted them for obtaining a probat thereof in due
form giving security whereupon they together with John Scott George Harrington and
Benjamin Bedford their securities entered into bond according to law.

Test

Thompson Swain cler.