

In the Name of God Amen. I Edward Latimer of the County
 of Essex, being of sound mind & Memory do
 make & Ordain this my last Will & Testament bearing date
 this 4th day of July 1774 in Manner & Form Following
 Item, I lend the Use of my plantation, Together with my
 Negroes (viz) Peter, Rob, Abraham, Darniel, Nan, &
 Hannah, Cucey, Bab, Bess, Frank & Jupiter, Together
 with my stock of all kinds household & Kitchen Furniture
 debt^d. to my Loving wife Ann Latimer during her
 widowhood. But in Case she my said wife should
 Marry, then, she my aforesaid wife, is only to have
 the one third part of my said Land, Negroes, stock
 Household Furniture &c. during her Natural life, and
 at her my said wife's death & Marriage my will and
 desire is that my whole Land, Together with my before
 named Negroes with their Increase, also my stock, house
 hold & Kitchen Furniture &c. be Equally divided Among
 my Following Children (viz) William Latimer, Ann
 Latimer, Elizabeth Latimer, John Latimer, Thomas Latimer
 James Latimer, George Latimer, & Samuel Latimer
 share & share alike, and if either of my aforesaid
 children, should die before they come to lawfull age or
 Marry, that then the surviving children in like Manner
 aforesaid divide Equally & share & share alike the said
 Brother or sisters parts, to them & their Heirs for ever, and
 my Further will and desire is that, in case my Loving
 wife cannot pay my just debts, & Funeral Charges
 by the Hiring out of my aforesaid Negroes, that then
 she my said wife is to sell to the best bidder, my before
 mentioned Negro man, Darniel for that purpose. But
 my Further will and Desire is ^{that my} aforesaid wife.

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Thrup Together, Maintain and Educate, all my said
Loving Children out of the profits arising from my
said Estate, and do also desire that my Executor or
Executors, do make ^{in case I should die before signing my self} M. Hope a deed for the house
& lot I purchased of the Estate of John Wilson decd.
and lastly I do appoint my loving Wife, Ann Slaton
and my son William Slaton whole sole Executors
to this my last Will and Testament bearing date
the 24th day of Year above written

the words in case I should die
before I do make it my self.
Interlined before signing also the
words that my.

Edw. Slaton

Witness

Wm. Armistead

Howard Seymour

Edward Yeorgain