

In The name of God Amen I Janna Tompkins  
being Sick and weak of Body but of sound and perfect  
memory Thanks be to God for the same do make and  
ordain this my Last will and Testament in manner  
and form following. In presence I recommend my  
Soul to the mercy of almighty God who gave it and  
my Body to the Earth to be Interred according to  
the discretion of my Exe. hereafter mentioned and  
as to what Temporal Estate the Lord of his Gracious  
Bounty hath ben pleased to bestow upon me I  
Give and bequeath as followeth -

Item, I Give and Bequeath unto M<sup>rs</sup> Rebecca Goodwin  
Daughter of Capt John Goodwin out of the Good  
will and Affection which I bear unto her my  
Riding horse to her and her Disposal

Item, my will and desire is that my honoured father  
Samuel Tompkins, have full Liberty to make  
use of what Timber he thinks fit upon the land  
that was the Inheritance of my mother which he is  
now seised of as Tenant, by the Court for his occupying  
any where upon his other Land not Selling of any  
during the term of his Natural life  
my will and desire that after my decease and soon  
as it conveniently can be done the sum of Six  
pounds be paid to my Loving Sister Martha  
Tompkins in Consideration of what I owe her  
and that she then Give a General Release to  
my Executor of all demands, my will is and  
I do further order appoint that after my Just  
Debts and Legacies are paid that the residue of  
my Estate Go to my Loving Daughter Mary  
Tompkins if she arrives to the Age of twenty one  
or is married -

but if she dies before she comes to the age aforesaid  
or is married then to be Equally Divided Between  
my five Sisters Mary Martha Sarah Anne & Elizabeth  
Share and Share alike,

and I do hereby recommend the tuition of my said  
Daughter Mary to M<sup>rs</sup> Martha Kerby and M<sup>rs</sup> —

Thomas Kerby of Elizabeth City County until she  
attains the age of twenty one or is disposed of in  
marriage and if either of them dies before she comes  
of age or is married then to the Survivor, and I,  
do order and appoint that in case they both should  
die before the said Child should be of age or married —  
then if my father be living then for him to have the  
care and management of it for the terms aforesaid

and I do further desire that the persons to whom  
I have I have Devised the Custody of my Child may  
take into their hands its Estate and appropriate  
the profits thereof as they shall accrue towards the  
maintenance and bringing of it up and I do  
hereby nominate constitute and appoint my  
honoured father Samuel Tompkins to be whole  
and sole Executor of this my Last will and  
Testament in Testimony whereof I have

herunto set my hand and affixed my Seal this  
Seventeenth day of January in the Year of our  
Lord one thousand seven hundred and fifty five,  
Signed Sealed Published

and Declared in the presence

Thomas Roberts,

Abraham Allen  
Abraham Bailif

James Tompkins