

In the Name of God Amen I Martha Armistead of the County of Elizabeth City being in perfect Sense and Memory do make and declare this to be my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following. In presence It is my Will and desire that all my just Debts and funeral expences be first paid and satisfied by my Executors hereafter mentioned.

Item, I Give and bequeath unto my Granddaughters Mary Bell and Martha Tompkins Armistead and their Heirs all my wearing Apparel to be equally divided between them.

Item, I Give and bequeath all the rest of the personal property which I do possess of or in any manner be intitled to unto my Grand Children William Allen Mary Bell Patrick Walker Francis Mannie Armistead Samuel Armistead and Martha Tompkins Armistead and their Heirs equally to be divided among them but if any of my beforementioned Grand Children should die unmarried or before they arrive to the Age of twenty one Years then It is my Will and desire that the Share or shares of the said Grand Child or Grand Children so dying shall go to the survivors or survivors of them equally to be divided.

Item I Give and bequeath unto my Grandson Francis Mannie Armistead and his Heirs if he lives to the Age of Twenty one Years or Marries the plantation whereon I now live but if the said Francis shall dye within the Age of twenty one Years and unmarried Then I Give the said plantation to my Grandson Samuel Armistead and his Heirs if he Attains the Age of twenty one Years or Marries but if he dies under that Age & unmarried Then I Give the said plantation to my Granddaughter Martha Tompkins Armistead and her Heirs if she Attains her Age of twenty one Years or Marries but if my said Granddaughter Martha shall die within the Age of twenty one Years and unmarried Then I Give and bequeath the said plantation to my Grandson William Allen and his Heirs. And It is my farther Will and desire that the said William Allen shall enjoy and keep possession of the said plantation untill some or one of my beforementioned Grand Children shall attain the Age of twenty one Years or

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Marriage And Lastly I do hereby Appoint Miles King Esq^r
and my Grandson William Allen Executors of this my
Last Will and Testament M. Witness whereof I have
hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this fifteenth day
of November One thousand seven hundred and Eighty Eight.

Signed Sealed published & declared
by the Testator as and for her Last
Will and Testament in presence of us
who Witnessed the same in her presence
and at her request.
M^{rs} Robinson

Martha ^{her} ~~X~~ Armistead
Wife

Edward Robinson

Having since the making of my Will recollected that I had still
remaining some property which I would wish to dispose of by way of Codicil
in the following manner: — I gave and bequeath unto my Grandson
Patrick Mather one Horse and one feather bed and furs &c but in case
he should die before he arrives to the Age of twenty one Years or marries
then I give the same unto William Allen and to his Heir for ever.
Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal
to this Codicil the _____ day of January 1799.

Signed Sealed published and declared
by the Testator as and for her Codicil to her
Last Will and Testament in presence of
us who Witnessed the same in her presence
and at her request

At a Court held in said City of New York the 25th February 1799 This
Will was presented in Court and was proved by the oath of Edward
Robinson a Justice of the Peace & ordered to be Recorded.

Attest
Mr. Wm. M. D. C. M.

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NOTE
Martha Armistead

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We do hereby promise to pay To M^r. Math^r.
Robinson the sum of Six Pounds as Witness
our Hands this 20th Day of July 1772 —
it being the ball.^d of John Armstrong
against M^r. Math^r. Armstrong in favor
of Doctor Brodie who has a Bill of Sale &
Mortgage from the said Joⁿ. Armstrong
Witness
Alfredham

Eng^d. & M^r. Rec^d. the above

Math^r. Armstrong
Mark P
Robinson

Mum. when the within ^{as} was
is paid for Doctor Brodie's
on the settlement of Edw.
Armside's deed I believe there
should not be much due to
the within Gr. As on instead
I find myself to see the Gr.
referred to the Greenhorn

~~Wm. H. Robinson~~

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At a Court held for Elizabeth City County. July 1802
 Annister & others v. Allen. Cheney. Ordered that the same
 proceed as in former Intelocting Decree in March
 1801. do State and Little Martha Annister & Adm^r
 on her ~~husband~~ Dec^r. Husband's Estate, and also.
 State the Price of the Slaves from Martha Annister's
 Death until the Sale of & report the same to Court

Copy Sent Miles & King
 J. J. J. J.