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In the name of God Amen, I Robert Crumfield Son of Elizabeth
City County, being sick and weak in body, but of sound and disposing
mind, do make and obtain this to be my last will and Testament
in manner and form following

Int premises I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Elizabeth
Crumfield the following Slaves to wit, Yellow Book, Jeffries
Lacey, Maddy, Jack, Big Jack, and her Child Phillis, Little
Fanny, Sal, and Middy the said Negroes to be hired out annually
by Executors hereafter named, and the money arising from
the hire of the said Slaves to be paid to my loving wife
Mother Elizabeth Crumfield during her life for the special
purpose of supporting myself and my Daughter Elizabeth
Crumfield - Item - my will and devise is, that all my lands
Slaves and Personal Estate of every kind except the Slaves above
named be kept together during my mother's life and during
the widowhood of my loving wife Ann Crumfield for their
mutual benefit and Advantage, and after my Mother's death
and the marriage of my wife I give and devise all
my Lands in this County, and my Lands lying in
New York County, to my son William Crumfield to him and
to his heirs forever - I put in care my wife
should manage I lend unto her during her natural
life one third part of all my Lands and one third
part of all my Negroes except those above named
Item I give unto my son William Crumfield Ten Negroes
of whom that may remain after my wife's or third
taken out, to be hired out for his benefit and
advantage, and that the remainder of the Negroes be
equally divided between my said son William and
Elizabeth Crumfield, and it is my further will
desire, that after my mother's death, and the death
of my wife that all my Negroes, including those
given to my Daughter Elizabeth Crumfield and those
given to my son William Crumfield should be
equally

equally divided between my said son & daughter to them
and their heirs for ever

Item - It is my will and desire after the death of
my mother and the marriage of my wife, that my
stocks of every kind and house hold & kitchen furni-
ture and Plantation Utensils be sold and the
money arising from the sale thereof together with
all the money due me in the State of North Carolina I
give and bequeath all said money to my daughter
Elizabeth Comstock - The money due me in North
Carolina I desire may be collected immediately, all
the aforesaid money I request, that it may be placed
in the Treasury of Virginia, and the interest thereof
to be applied to the support of my said daughter
Elizabeth untill she comes of age or marries and
then she is to draw both the principal & interest
Item I desire that all the money due me in ~~the State~~
~~this County~~, or so much of it, as will be sufficient
be applied in the first place to the payment of
my just debts, and the balance that may be
remaining I give unto my son William Comstock
Item, I desire my daughter Elizabeth Comstock
should die before she comes of age or marries
then & in that case I give unto my son William
Comstock all the property that I have already
bequeathed to her and unto my son William
Comstock should die before he comes to the
age

age of twenty and upwards, standing in the will, that all the
 property which he has acquired to him should be
 given to my said daughter Elizabeth, her heirs and
 assigns, and for ever, and I do hereby nominate and
 appoint John the Clerk, William Armistead son of
 William Armistead, Richard Ingham and Thomas Fabb
 Executors of this my last will and Testament.

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my
 hand and seal this 24th day of November 1792

Signed, sealed Robert Armistead

hath published & declared to be the
 last will in presence
 of Johnson Fabb

Thomas B. Armistead
 William Armistead
 John Nuttles

At a Court held for Elizabeth County January
 24th 1793. This will was presented in Court, and
 proved by the Oaths of Johnson Fabb and Thom:
 Baker Armistead two of the Witnesses thereto
 subscribed and ordered to be Recorded
 in record to which the said Johnson Fabb, & one
 of the Executors hereon named renounced the
 Executorship thereof and on the motion of

Robert Amistad in Court before the Court
who made oath according to the Statute
is granted him for obtaining a Patent
in New form upon the giving security
thereupon he together with Mark King and
others entered into and acknowledged Bonds in the
penalty of Two thousand Pounds. Continued
on the law directed.

Copy of the
Deed of Conveyance

Robert Amistad's
Will

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