

I Robert Wallace of the County of Elizabeth City Do make this my last Will and Testament in Manner and Form following.

Item, I Give and Bequeath unto my wife Elizabeth Wallace one third of my Negroes during her Natural Life ^{I Give} also my Household & Kitchen Furniture for ever in lieu of her Dower. I Give I lend unto my son James Westwood Wallace one half of my Lands during his life and in case he Dies without Issue and should not arrive to the years of twenty one, I Give the same to the Child my wife goes with if a boy: if not I Give the same to James Wallace my Brother.

Item I Give and Bequeath unto the Child my wife goes with one third of the Negroes now Dead and may have a right to and in case of the Death before he or she arrives of Age I Give the same to my son James Westwood Wallace and if he should Die before he comes of Age I Give the same unto my Wife for ever.

Item I Give unto my Brother James Wallace the other Half of my Lands in lieu of the Legacy my Father left him and in case of his Death before he comes of Age I Give the same unto my Wife for ever.

Item I Give the Negroes which my ^{Wife} Sister as a Legacy or Dower after her Death unto my son James Westwood Wallace and in case of his Death before he Arrives of Age unto his Brother or Sister as it may be and if Both should Die before they come of Age I Give the same unto my Wife for ever.

Item, I Give unto my Mother Elizabeth Merson Town which she holds in right as her Dower unto her for ever; and also I Give her the Priviledge of making use and Disposing of what Timber she Chooses of my Land During her life and half my Hogs for ever.

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My will and Desire is that my Just Debts should be Paid.

Item. If my Executors think fit to Commence or Continue a Suit to Recover Several Negrows. my desire is that they shall have Timber of the Plantation to Defray the Expences thereof. Lastly my Sword, Pistols, and Gun I Give to my Brother James Wallau also I Give him my said Brother. my Bay Horse Saddle and Bridle to him & his Heirs for Ever. I Do Hereby constitute and Appoint my Mother Elizabeth Mason and my Uncle Worrick Westwood and George Latimer & Joseph Cooper to Executors of this my Will in Witness whereunto I have set my Hand and Affixed my Seal this 24th of October 1788

Teste

Joseph Cooper
~~George Latimer~~

Robert Wallau

George Latimer

William Westwood

Worrick Westwood

MS The word Give and the words furniture for Ever in Lieu of her Dower was inserted before Signing of the above &c

Joseph Cooper
~~George Latimer~~
George Latimer
William Westwood

Elizabeth City County Court January 28th 1789 281 a
The last Will & Testament of Robert Wallage dec^d was produced in
Court and proved by the Oaths of George Latimer Gent: &
Joseph Cooper two of the Witnesses thereto, they having first
relinquished the Executorship of the said Will being executors
therein named And the said Will is ordered to be recorded
And on the Motion of Markish Matthews the other Executors
therein named who made oath according to Law -
Certificate is granted him for obtaining a Probate
thereof in due form upon giving Security where
upon he together with Robert Aronist and David
Davidson his Securities entered into and acknow-
ledged Bond in the penalty of £5000 on conditions as the
Law directs Liberty reserved for the Executors to
join in the Probate thereof when they think proper.