

Coates Will

In the of god amen the sixteenth day of February
in the year of our Lord, one thousand seven hundred & seventy
four, Samuel Coates of the County of Essex being well & rich
in years, & in perfect & since memory thanks be to god, feel-
ing to mind the mortality of my body & that there is a time for all
men once to die, do make & Ordain this my will & Testament in
manner & form following that is to say principally I wish
I give & recommend my soul into the hands of almighty God
that gave it, & my body to the Earth to be buried in a
Christian like Manner at the direction of my Parish hereafter
mentioned, nothing doubting but at the General Resurrection

02) I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of god
as touching such worldly Estate whereunto it hath pleased
god to bless me with in this life; I give & Dispose of in
the manner following that is to say first I give to my lov-
-ing wife May all my estate real & personal for & during
her natural life & after her decease my desire is that my
House wherein I now live together with fifty acres of my land
adjacent to the Lands of John Brutter & Luke Livingston
be laid off for my two Daughters (Will) Mary & Anne Coates
which I give to them & their heirs forever. The Remainder part
of my land I give to be equally divided between my three sons
Will, Thomas, Samuel & William Coats to them & their heirs
forever. I give to my two daughter my Negroes & children
to be equally divided between them & also one of either bed & furni-
-ture to each of them & their heirs forever. I give unto my son
Thomas my Tidm. & all I have in the world.

to be equally divided between them each one of either bed of mine
ture to each of them their heirs forever. I have given unto ^{my} son
Thomas my Tidings saddle: & all the rest of my estate to be
equally divided between my severall Children above named
Lastly, I do appoint my son Thomas, & my wife Mary to be
my Executors of this my last will & Testament, in witness whereof
I have hereunto set my hand & Seal the Day & year above written
The within will is Signed Sealed &

Acknowledged in presence of

Griseb. Covington

Luke Covington

Thos. Crutcher

Caty Crutcher

Samuel X Coates 

Ex^o

All about held for Gra. County at Lapp^a on the 19th Day
of June 1789 This last will & Testament of Samuel Coates Dec^d
was proved before us the undersigned

I have made this for my hand & seal the 19th day of June above written
The within will is signed sealed &
Acknowledged in presence of

Samuel X Coates

Griseb Coovington

Luke Coovington

Thos. Crutcher

Cathy Crutcher

Etc.

All about held for Gray County at Lapp^a on the 19th day
of June 1789 This last will & Testament of Samuel Coates Dead
was proved by Thomas Crutcher & Cathy Crutcher two of the
witnesses thereto & being also sworn to by the Court
herein named & ordered to be recorded

Test Hancock Lee Clerk