

In the Name of God, Amen

Owen Williams, of the Parish of Fairfax in Fairfax County and Colony of Virginia, being in perfect senses and Memory do ordain this my last Will and Testament after the following Form and manner

First I leave my Soul to God who gave it, and my Body to the Earth from whence it came to be decently interred after the Rites and Ceremonies of the Episcopal Church of England of which I am a Member with the grace of God to die a Member

And for what worldly Goods it has pleased the Almighty to bless me with, I give as follows

I give and bequeath to my well beloved Son Jeremiah Williams a Tract of Land whereon he lives containing two hundred and eighty eight Acres, with three Negroes, the one named John the second Jack, and the other Esther with their Increase, with what Stock and Furniture he now possesses, and one Cow and calf, and ~~one Bed and~~ Furniture more of my Estate, during his natural Life, and at his Decease to the heirs lawfully begotten of his Body; and for want of such heirs, to return to John Jennings, and Semina Jenkins to be equally divided between them; and then descend to such of their heirs as they shall think proper to give it to.

Item I give and bequeath to my well beloved Daughter Semina Jenkins 2 ~~the~~ young Negroes the one named Ewell the second named Hannah and ~~the third named Charles~~ one Cow and calf, and the bed and Furniture usually lie on with one half of the Plantation Orchard House, and Tract of Land now live on; and at her Mothers Decease the said Semina Jenkins is to possess the whole Tract of Land and Premises with or Buy horse called and known by the name of Buck.

Item I give and bequeath to my grand Daughter Elizabeth Jennings one Cow and calf, and one years Schooling.

Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Ann Jennings five Pounds to be made up out of the Crop of Tobacco that is inspected.

Item I leave the use of half of the Plantation and House now possess with half of the Plantation or Tract of Land leased of Mr. Sampson Dorell to the use of my well beloved wife Mary Williams, with the use of two Negroes the one named Frank and the other Jacob, which Negroes and their Increase on at my said Wifes Decease to be equally divided between Jeremiah Williams, and Semina Jenkins and the heirs lawfully begotten of their Bodies; and for want of such to return to my heirs at law.

Item I leave and bequeath the use of all the rest of my Stock of Cattle, Hogs, Horses, Sheep

And house Furniture to her for her use during her natural Life; and after her Decease, it is my Will that her part of this my Estate be equally divided, between Elizabeth Jennings and Robert Jennings, and Ann Jennings Daughter of Daniel Jennings and Semina Jenkins In Witness whereof I have subscribed my Name and set my Seal this 21 Day of April in the Year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and 67

Signed Sealed and

delivered in the Presence of Thomas Crafford Tho: Frammell

Owen Williams

At a Court held for the County of Fairfax 19<sup>th</sup> Feby 1776

This Will was proved by the oath of Thomas Crafford & Thomas Frammell to be the last Will & Testament of Owen Williams decd which is admitted to Record and a Court held for the County of Fairfax the 22<sup>th</sup> May in the year aforesaid Rezinah Williams made oath to the said Will and having performed what the Laws require a Certificate is granted her for obtaining a probate thereof in due form

Test Magenev Clerk

In the name of God, Amen, I William Lester of the County & Parish of Fairfax being very sick and weak in body but of perfect mind and memory thanks be given to God for the same calling unto mind the mortality of my body and knowing it is appointed for all men once to die do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament that is to say principally and first of all I give and recommend my Soul to the hand of Almighty God that gave it, and my body I recommend to the Earth to be buried in decent Christian burial at the discretion of my Executors nothing doubting but at the general Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God, and as touching the worldly Estate whereunto it has pleased God to bless me with in this life I give devise & dispose of in the following manner and form desiring my brother Thomas Lester to be sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament that is, my lawfull Debts being paid my Estate may be equally divided among all my Children and be paid to them as they come to lawfull age I desire my sons William and Vincent may be bound to such Bonds as they shall choose and I do hereby utterly disavow revoke and disannull all and every other former Wills Testaments and Bequests by me in anywise before named willed or bequeathed Ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last Will & Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this 26<sup>th</sup> day of January in the year of our Lord 1776 Signed Sealed published pronounced & declared by the said Wm Lester to be his last Will & Testament in the presence of us

In his presence of each other have subscribed our names James Maccarty, mark, William P. Green, Daniel Jennings

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At a Court held for the County of Fairfax 21<sup>st</sup> February 1776

This Will was presented in Court by Thomas Easter Executor herein named who made oath thereto and the same being proved by the oaths of Witnesses is admitted to Record and the said Executor having performed what the Laws require a Certificate is granted him for obtaining a Probate thereof in due form

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Test Wagoner R. L.

In the name of God Amen, I Henry Wisheart late of Henrich in the County of Loudoun and Colony of Virginia being at this present writing in a very indifferent State of Health but thanks to God in sound & perfect tranquillity of Mind do declare this to be my last Will & Testament annulling and making void all other Wills by me heretofore made that in to say Imp<sup>r</sup>. I give and bequeath my Soul to Almighty God who giveth in your certain hopes of a blessed Salvation thro the meritorious passion of Jesus which my Saviour and as for the worldly Estate which hath pleased God to bless me with I give & bequeath as followeth  
Item I give and bequeath unto my youngest daughter Charlotte Wisheart (meaning the first shall be last and the last shall be first) the sum of Two hundred pounds current money of Virginia with the two following negro Girls Viz. Lotty & Lucy Minutely to be delivered by my Executors hereafter mentioned when married or to wit the arrival at the age of twenty years  
Item I give and bequeath unto my second daughter Jean Wisheart two hundred pounds current money of Virginia and one young negro fellow named George which two negroes above mentioned to be paid in two Bonds for Henrich Lands in Loudoun County one for one hundred & fifty pounds viz 10<sup>th</sup> March 1776 the other for two hundred & fifty pounds viz 10<sup>th</sup> March 1777 and due by Mermaidine Beechwell & Thomas Pollard his Security both of the County of Fairfax and I further desire that my Executors will not suffer the principal of the above Bonds to be infringed upon but that they shall be maintained upon the interest thereof and the hire of negro George who is now hired to Demise Carroll of Loudoun County at 12<sup>th</sup> of Annam, clear and I further desire that my Executors shall allow my Daughter Charlotte one half of the hire George may be hired at for the space of two years after my decease for her further support (her negroes being but small)  
Item I give and bequeath unto my eldest Daughter Peggy Wisheart the sum of Two hundred pounds current money of Virginia and one negro wench named May and her future increase to be delivered her on the day of Marriage or when she shall arrive at the age of one & twenty years but if my Executors should have occasion to believe that any of my Daughters is not capable of doing themselves Justice they are either themselves to be or appoint others they may approve of as Guardians for them and as my Daughter Peggy £200 is to arise from the collection of Bonds due upon Interest, Balance of Book debts and the amount of House hold furniture now on hand a horse, mare &c. a stable &c. will undoubtedly triple her sum besides discharging what pressing balances I may be due upon open accounts there not being to my knowledge a bond or note of hand of mine out to any one in earth at this present time where I am detained by a violent spell of sickness that prevents me from viewing my Books but as there may arise disputes after my decease I

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shall hereunto annex a schedule of those there can be any disputes made

Item It is my Will that if any of the above mentioned Daughters of mine should die in their nonage or unmarried then her fortune to be equally divided between her other two Sisters and I expressly stipulate that if any of the three above mentioned Sisters should marry clandestinely or without the consent of one of my Executors, as I appoint them my Guardians she so transgressing her whole fortune shall be given to and equally divided between her other two Sisters

Item Lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint Say: John Dalton of Alexandria Merchant Town James two merchant and two others the Rev: Mr: William Lupton Merchant M<sup>r</sup> Patrick Cook Reeler of Martins Brandon Parish Prince George County Executors of this my last Will and Testament as also Guardians of my aforesaid mentioned Daughters In Witness whereof I have hereunto put my name & affixed my Seal this 21<sup>st</sup> day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy six

Sealed & signed  
in the presence of  
George Simpson  
Benjamin Southard  
William Simpson

Henry Wisheart Seal

At a Court held for the County of Fairfax 21<sup>st</sup> February 1776

This Will was presented in Court by John Dalton one of the Executors herein named who made oath thereto and the same being proved by the oaths of George Simpson & William Simpson is admitted to Record and the said Executor having performed what the Laws require a Certificate is granted him for obtaining a Probate thereof in due form

Test Wagoner R. L.

In the name of God Amen, I Mercy Chew of the Town of Alexandria in Virginia, being sick and weak though sound in my senses, do make & ordain this as my last Will and Testament

I give and bequeath to my brother Philip Jackson fifteen pounds  
I give and bequeath to my loving daughter Ann Ruth Harvey now in the Island of St. Kitts all my wearing apparel which said wearing apparel is my desire not be appraised

I give and bequeath to my said Daughter Ann Ruth Harvey my old Negro wench Bob, if she can conveniently be sent to her in the mean time that she be hired out and the profits arising be paid to my said Daughter

I give and bequeath to my grand daughter Ann Ruth Harvey the daughter of Lucas and Ann Ruth Harvey in the Island of St. Kitts my Sister half acre of Ground lying on Fairfax & Queen Streets in the Town of Alexandria with said Lot I give to my said Grand Daughter Ann Ruth Harvey and her heirs for her living at the age of eighteen for ever

My Will & desire is that my Executors rent out on ground rent for ever such part or parts of the said Lot as they may judge best for the benefit of my said Grand Daughter which said rents as well as the rents at present and what may in future arise from the buildings deducting the necessary charges of repairs to be paid into the hands of her Father Lucas Harvey for her use