

Robert
Duncan
his Will

of the county of Fluvanna and State of Virginia do make and cause this
to be my last Will and Testament hereby revoking and making void every
other Will heretofore made by me. In the first place my Will is that all
my just and lawful Debts should be paid - 2^{dy}. It is my Will and desire
that the Tract of Land on which I now live together with my tract of
Land in the county of Prince William as also the Interest which may be
drawn on my certificates, as also the Slaves I may be possessed of with all
the Stock of Horses cattle &c and the House hold furniture and plantation Man-
sils of every kind should remain undisposed of until the Death of Mrs. Mary
Duncan with whom I now live for the purpose of supporting her and her
Children. - 3rd It is my Will and desire that all the Slaves of which I may
be possessed, who, at the day of my death shall be forty years of age and up-
wards, should serve for one year ~~and no longer and then to be manumitted~~

All those who shall be thirty years of age and under forty to serve until
they be forty years of age and no longer and then to be manumitted, all those
who shall be twenty years of age and under thirty, to serve until they
shall be thirtyfive years of age and then to be manumitted,
and all those who shall be under twenty years of age to serve until they
shall be thirtyone years of age and no longer and if during the servitude
of any of the female Slaves aforesaid they shall have any children, such
child or children in like manner shall serve the Master until they are
twentyone years of age and the females until they shall be thirtyone years
of age, and no longer and then to be manumitted.

Fourthly It is my Will and desire that one thousand Acres of my Land
lying in the Western boundary should be laid off by my Executors or
they may think proper for the use of my

to the respective ages before mentioned for their emancipation, and when one
thousand acres to such age he shall be entitled to fifty Acres of the said
one thousand in fee simple, to be laid off to him or her by sold or otherwise
as to my Executors may seem just and so on to the first twenty who shall
arrive to such age.

Fifthly I will and bequeath unto John Duncan Howell Lewis Langham
Duncan, and Robert Peyton Duncan, the three sons of the said Mary Dun-
can one thousand Acres of Land each lying in the Western boundary, that
is to say, having three thousand Acres of Land lying in the Western
boundary, remaining after taking one thousand Acres for the purposes men-
tioned in the fourth Item my Will and desire is that the one remain-
ing three thousand Acres shall be equally divided between the said three
sons, having regard to quantity and quality to them and their heirs forever.

Sixthly. It is my Will and desire that my certificates shall be equally
divided among the said John Duncan Howell Lewis Langham Duncan
Robert Peyton Duncan, Nancy Duncan, Polly Duncan and Betty Duncan
sons and Daughters of the said Mary Duncan each to receive their portion
as they shall respectively come of age or at the Death of their Mother
which ever shall first happen.

Seventhly - I Will and bequeath unto Betsey Duncan Daughter of
the said Mary Duncan one Hundred pounds and two bows and balves,
also one Horse Saddle and Bridle to be delivered and paid to her
whenever she shall leave the family or on the Death of her Mother
whichever shall first happen - and to pay this Legacy my
Executors are authorized to appropriate the money which may arise
from the collection of my Debts, or if that should not be sufficient

from the sale of any of my personal property -

Eighthly - It is my Will and desire that after the death of
John Duncan my Executors shall make the sale of my

Tracts of Land lying in the County of Henrico as also of all my Stock of Horses, cattle, Hogs &c. and the money arising from the sale of the two Tracts of Land to be equally divided between Nancy Duncan, Polly Duncan and Sally Duncan three Daughters of the said Mary Duncan, and the money arising from the sale of the Stock and all other Articles to be equally divided between the said three Daughters and their Brothers.

Ninthly - It is my Will and desire that after the death of Mr. Mary Duncan, my Slaves shall be laid off into lots and equally divided between, John Bayton of Milton (my Nephew) John Duncan Nancy Duncan, Polly Duncan, Howell L. Langham Duncan and Sally Duncan, Children of Mr. Mary Duncan.

Tenthly - all the rest and residue of my Estate of what kind soever I give and bequeath unto the above named, John Duncan Howell Lewis Langham Duncan, John Bayton Duncan, John Duncan, Polly Duncan and Sally Duncan to be equally divided between them.

Lastly, I constitute and appoint John Duncan son of Mr. Mary Duncan, my Nephew John Bayton of Milton and my friend John Quarles of Fluvanna Executors to this my last Will and Testament. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand, this 9th day of October one thousand eight hundred and one.

Teste,
James Daniel
John Chandler

William M. Bayton

at a Court held for Fluvanna County on the 26th day of October 1801 This Will was this day produced in Court and proved by the Oaths of James Daniel, John Chandler and William M. Bayton the Witnesses - thereunto and entered to be recorded. And time is allowed the Executors thereunto to qualify themselves: and at a Court of Quarterly Sessions continued, and held for the said County on the 25th day of November 1801.

On the motion of John Quarles one of the Executors therein named, who made oath thereunto as the Law directs and entered into Bond with John Duncan, Patrick Williamson and George Holman his associates in the Penalty of ten thousand Dollars conditioned as the Law directs bonificate is granted him for obtaining a Probate thereof in due form.

Teste, John Timberlake C^l

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In the name of God Amen. This 10th day of April 1800. I Hugh Lewis Venable of the County of Fluvanna being at this time weak in Body but of Sound Mind and Memory calling to mind the instability of my body, the certainty of death, do make and ordain this to be my last Will and Testament utterly disallowing and revoking all all former Wills and Testaments that is to say principally and first I commend my Soul into the hands of God that gave it and my Body to the Earth to be buried at the discretion of my Executors, and as touching such worldly estate wherewith it has pleased God to bless me in this life I give demise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form - Item it is my Will and desire that my just and Lawfull Debts be paid.

Then I give and bequeath to my Son Nathaniel Venable one hundred and twenty three Acres of Land adjoining his line and Sandy River