

In the name of God Amen. I John Mellen of the County of Surry being in perfect health and memory thanks be given to Almighty God for the same and calling to mind the mortality of my body I do hereby certify that it is appointed for all men once to die. To make and enact this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following, revoking all other Wills heretofore made. And first I recommend my soul to God who gave it. Secondly my Will and intent is that all my Just debts and funeral charges be paid. Then I give and bequeath unto my loving wife Elizabeth Mellen my land and plantation whereon I now live bearing one hundred acres by advertisement during her lifetime and after her death in fee simple I then give the same to my son John Mellen I give also land and plantation to him and his heirs forever and in case my said son John should be without issue of his body my Will and intent is that the land above mentioned shall be equally divided amongst my other children I give it to them and their heirs forever. Then I also give and bequeath unto my wife Elizabeth all my Stock of Horses, cattle, Hogs, and Sheep, with all my household furniture, plantation, Tools and all movables now in my possession during her natural life or widowhood and after her death in fee simple I then give the same to my son John Mellen. I give it to him and his heirs forever and in case my said son John should be without issue of his body my Will and intent is that the land above mentioned shall be equally divided amongst my other children.

Now I do hereby certify and confirm this to be my last Will and Testament to which I appoint Peter Ware Mellen Executor & my wife Elizabeth Mellen Executrix of this my last Will and Testament revoking all other Wills heretofore made. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this twenty ninth day of April one thousand seven hundred and thirty four. Signed Seal and acknowledged in presence of
 In presence of
 In witness whereof
 Elizabeth Mellen

John Mellen

At a Court held for the County of Surry the 1st day of January 1795
 This Will was proved by John Mellen, Elizabeth Mellen and Elizabeth Mellen witnesses and ordered to be recorded. And on the Motion of Peter Ware Mellen

was sworn and William Mellen Esq. sworn and who made oath that the said John Mellen was in the full possession of his mind and memory at the time he made the said Will and that the said Elizabeth Mellen was at the time he made the said Will and acknowledged the same. Testificate in the presence of us the undersigned

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 In presence of
 John Mellen

Mellen's Will

John Mellen
 Elizabeth Mellen
 Elizabeth Mellen

At a Court held for the County of Surry the 2nd day of April 1795
 This Will was proved in open Court by the oath of Elizabeth Mellen and Elizabeth Mellen Esq. sworn and who made oath that the said John Mellen was in the full possession of his mind and memory at the time he made the said Will and that the said Elizabeth Mellen was at the time he made the said Will and acknowledged the same. Testificate in the presence of us the undersigned

was sworn and William Mellen Esq. sworn and who made oath that the said John Mellen was in the full possession of his mind and memory at the time he made the said Will and that the said Elizabeth Mellen was at the time he made the said Will and acknowledged the same. Testificate in the presence of us the undersigned