

Will of Th^o
Hancock.
Ex^r

In the name of God amen, I Thomas Hancock of the County of Franklin and State of Virginia, being very sick and weak in body but of perfect mind and memory, thanks be given unto God, calling unto mine the mortality of my body and knowing that 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 unto the hands of Almighty God that gave it, and my body I recommend unto the Earth. It 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 such worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this life, I give and dispose of the same in the following manner, to wit, I give and bequeath to Mary my dearly and beloved wife all the Land and Stock, one Pot, and dutch oven during her life, and after her death I also give and bequeath to my Daughter Nancy her Bed, and bedding, and the Black Walnut Chest, and also the Pot and oven after her mothers death; I also give and bequeath unto my Daughter Obedience her Bed, and bedding, and the small dutch oven; I also give & bequeath to my son Benjamin the half of my of my Land, after his mothers death, it being the lower half, also the Spring Branch as it runs, and so a crop to the line, and also one Pot and horse; I also give and bequeath to my son Stephen the upper half of my Land after his mothers death and one mare; I also likewise constitute, make, and ordain Benjamin Hancock first and William Hancock, the sole Executors to this my last Will & Testament, and I do hereby utterly disavow, revoke, and annul all & every other former Testaments, Wills, ^{and} Legacies, bequest, and Executors by me in anywise before named, willed & bequeathed, ratifying and confirming this, and other to be my last Will and Testament, In Witnes^{ne}s whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this twenty fifth day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and three

Signed, Sealed, published, pronounced & declared by the said Thomas Hancock as his last Will and Testament in the presence of us, who in his presence & in the presence of each other have hereto subscribed our names Test

Thomas Hancock ^{his} Seal
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John Knowles, Matthew Knowles, Daniel Kison.

At about held for Franklin County December 5th 1803.

This last Will and Testament of Thomas Hancock deceased was proved by the oath of John Knowles and Matthew Knowles two of the witnesses hereto and ordered to be recorded. And on the motion of William Hancock, one of the Executors.

herew named, who made oath, and together with Fleming
 Saunders his Securities entered into and acknowledged their
 Bond in the sum of one hundred dollars conditioned
 according to Law, Certificate is granted him for obtaining
 a Probate in due form, liberty being reserved to the other
 Executors herew named to join in the Probate when he shall
 think fit. Teste, James Callaway & Co

Will of
 M. Plaister

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In the name of God Amen, I Michael Plaister of the
 County of Franklin and State of Virginia being sick and
 weak but in perfect ^{health of} mind and memory, thanks be
 given unto God for the same, calling unto mind the
 mortality of my body, and knowing that it is appointed for
 all men once to die, do make and arraign this my last
 Will and Testament, that is to say principally and first
 of all I give and recommend my soul to the hands of
 Almighty God that give it; and my body I recommend to the
 Earth, to be buried in decent christian Burial at the
 discretion of my friends nothing doubting but at the
 general resurrection I shall receive the again by the mighty
 power of God; and as touching such worldly ^{Testament} wherewith
 it hath pleased God to bless me with in this Life
 I give and dispose of the same in the following
 manner and form. first I give and bequeath to my
 dearly beloved wife Charity Plaister, my Lands, Stock of
 all kinds, together with all my house hold goods and
 moveable effects, by her freely to be possessed & enjoined,
 to well, and as she thinks fit: and I do hereby utterly
 disannul and disallow all and every other former
 Testaments and Wills by me, any wise before named
 ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my
 last Will and Testament. In Witnes whereof I have
 herunto set my hand and Seal this fourteenth day of
 June one thousand eight hundred and three.

Test

Michael ^{his} Plaister Seal

Thomas Cunningham,
 Finch ^{his} Worley
 John Chambers, John ^{his} Worley
 marks.

At a Court held for Franklin County December 5th 1803

This last Will and Testament of Michael Plaister
 deceased was proved by the oath of Finch Worley & John
 Worley, two of the witnesses hereto ordered to be recorded

Teste, James Callaway & Co

the gift of the negro girl named Esther to Susannah Martin, and do give and invest the said Negro girl Esther in and to my Trustees above named for the special and express purpose that they shall give the benefit of said negro girl Esther to my daughter Susannah Martin so long as she lives, and after her death it is my Will that my Trustees above named, do give the said Negro girl Esther to the children of William Martin by my Daughter Susannah Test

William Smith
Benjamin Hunt
John Hook,
Philip Pankney

Joel Meador Jr,

At a Court held for Franklin County on the first Monday in October 1798.

This last Will and Testament of Joel Meador Jr deceased was proved by the oath of John Hook, and the Corred hereto annexed was also proved by the oath of the said John Hook and Philip Pankney witnesses hereto; and at a Court held for the said County February 6th 1804. The said last Will & Testament was further proved by the oath of William Smith another witness hereto, and ordered to be recorded.
Teste, James Callaway & Co

Inventory of the Hancocks Estate	Inventory of the Estate of Thomas Hancock deceased.	
	one cow and calf	L 2. 14. 0
Examined	one distleto	2. 5. 0
	one cow	1. 10. 0
	Two head of cattle	1. 16. 0
	Six head of Sheep	3. 0. 0
	one Mare	13. 10. 0
	thirteen Geese	1. 12. 6
	fifteen head of hogs	3. 12. 0
	one Grind Stone	1. 7. 0
	three Bee Hives	1. 10. 0
	Several things	4. 2. 11
	four Bells & one Bristol Pit	" 14. 0
	one Iron Wedge	" 2. 6
	three Pails	" 5. 0
	one Tub	" 4. 6
	one Churn and bag	" 5. "
	Twelve Plates, 2 dishes, one Bowl	1. " "

(Amount brought forward) £

one Sifter	" 8 6
two Smoothing Irons 10 lb bar Iron	" 8 6
5 Bottles and one Jug	" 8 0
2 Potts, 2 Skillets, 2 Trivets & Skillet	2 14 0
Various things	" 18 0
one pair Silvers, one Bible	" 7 0
one Gun	1 0 0
one Looking Glass	" 1 0
one Cotton Wheel	" 7 6
one Walnut Chest	" 18 0
one Flax wheel, one pair Saddle, two Chests	" 12 0
one hoe, one pair pot hooks & pointed Butt	" 3 3
one Banaster, one Testament, two pair Cards	" 9 "
one hone & Razor, and Strop	" 6 "
one Bed and furniture	6 0 0
one do	3 0 0
one do	6 0 0
one do	3 10 0
four Chairs	0 4 0
one Loom	1 0 0
one Trunk, one Saddle	" 3 6
three pounds of feathers	" 9 0

William Hancock

Samuel Higgs

Richard Inebbs

John Knowles

At about high for Franklin County February 6th 1804

This Inventory and appraisement of the Estate of
 Thomas Hancock deceased was returned and ordered to be record
 attest James Callaway C. Clk

Inventory
 of Wm.
 Jamesons
 Estate

We the Subscribers being duly sworn do appraise the Estate
 of William Jameson dec^d as follows (1804)

one black cow & yearling	£ 3 18 0
one brindle ditto, yearling	3 18 0
one small bay mare	16 0 0
one feather Bed and furniture	6 0 0
one living tree, Traces, Glevis & bar Shear	" 10 0
one large & 1 small Race	" 18 0
a parcel of old Tools	5 0 0
one butting Box	0 6 0
one Cup board	0 12 0
one pair small Stilyards	0 7 6
one Chest	0 5 0
a parcel of Pewter	2 0 0

brought forward