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In the name of God Amen, William Boyd last of Franklin
County and State of Virginia being weak of Body, through decay of Memory Calling
to mind the mortality of my Body and knowing that this comes appointed for
all men once to die having made and ordained this my last will & Testament
wherein first of all I Recommend my soul in the hands of Almighty God who
gave it me, nothing doubting but at the General Resurrection I shall receive
the same by the mighty power of God, and my body at my decease to be
Decently Buried at the discretion of my Executors and as Touching such Worldly
goods wherein it hath pleased God to bless me with I Give & dispose of
in the manner and form following Viz^t Item I give all my Just
debts to be paid by my Executors Item give and bequeath unto my beloved
Daughter Mary Boyd the land and Plantation whereon I now live
which I purchased of one Holloway & half the land I purchased of
Sol^l Cheatewood also the one half of all my Negroes Viz^t Cloe Sarah
Dice Hannah Joshua Sam and Kate also the one half of all my stock
of all kinds and the one half of my household and kitchen furniture to she and
heirs forever, Item I give and bequeath unto my beloved son William Boyd
the tract of land I bought of Elisha which formerly belongs to Peter Gillen
and other half of the same I bought of Sol^l Cheatewood also the one
half of my Negroes as above mentioned Viz^t Cloe Sarah Dice Hannah
Joshua Sam and Kate also the one half of my stock of all kinds and the
other half of my household and kitchen furniture to him and heirs
forever Item also the monies due me to be Collected & Equally
Divided between my two Children Viz^t Mary Boyd and William
Boyd Item my will and desire after my death is that my Negro
man Sam shall have his freedom after his paying my two Children
Viz^t Mary Boyd and William Boyd forty pounds one half in Cash
the other half in trade to be Equally divided between my two above
mentioned Children, lastly I appoint my beloved son William Boyd, Executor
to this my last Will and Testament in the manner of form as above mentioned
In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this
the 18th day of August 1797
Signed sealed & proclaimed
to be my last Will & Testament
In presence of

William Boyd. Esq

John Poindester Esq
Rob^t Mopar
Josiah Harper

At Court held for Franklin County in September 1798 the Written last Will &
Testaments of William Boyd was proved by the oaths of the Witnesses
thereunto subscribed to be the act & Deed of W^m Boyd and the
same was ordered to be Recorded by the Court

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James Callaway