

I Eatsly Jones of the County of Gloucester and State of Virginia
do make this my last will and testament - In the first place it is
my will and desire that my executor hereinafter named do soon
after my decease as is practicable taking into consideration the collection
of money due me and the sale of the property therefor do pay all
my just debts - I wish my half of the mill offered to Mr. H. R.
Stubbs my partner at a fair price by my executor hereinafter
named to pay my debts, and if the proceeds of the sale of the
half of the mill be not sufficient for that purpose, I desire my
Executor to sell the whole of any part of the little place called
Billard and Hibble embracing the land bought from Peter
O. Kemp the proceeds of the sale of which said property together
with the amounts due me will I think be amply sufficient to pay
off all I owe - I wish my estate kept together and worked for the
benefit of the family and Education of the Children as long as
they remain unmarried but whenever one of them arrive at the age
of twenty one or marries such child shall then receive his portion
of my estate as herein after mentioned, I wish an Inventory and
appraisement of my estate to be made and returned, but I do
not wish any sale to be made in the usual mode and when
any thing is sold it must be carried to the Court house
and sold on Tuesdays Saturday or Court day after advertising
to my son J. M. Jones when he arrives at the age of twenty
one or marries I hereby devise to him and his heirs that part of
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The old mill

tract which I wish to belong to the house tract or to be sold as shall seem best to my executor, and I leave to my said son the sum of one hundred dollars to purchase Mrs. Merrius land whenever sold if he choose to purchase it - To my son Robert B. Jones when he arrives at the age of twenty one or marries I hereby devise to him and his heirs all the land I own on the north east of the road leading from the mill crossing the Propotank road as the road goes to Con and over to the York road, all the rest of my land I hereby give to my dear and faithful wife Mary A. B. Jones during her life except such part thereof as may be sold for the purposes aforesaid and at her death it is my desire that the said herein devised as aforesaid to my said wife be equally divided between all my children by her - It is my express desire that if any of my sons shall die under the age of twenty one

and being married shall as die without heirs of his body lawfully begotten then all my sons shall take equally among them the portions of the deceased both real and personal in my estate. I wish my negroes divided in the manner following that is to say all the negroes that came to me by my dear wife to wit Betty and all her children Clara and all her children I give to my dear wife M. B. Jones during her life and my other negroes I desire shall be equally divided between my four sons, Geo. B. Jones Robert B. Jones William A. Catesby and Marius Jones, It is my will however that my dear wife shall have the use of these slaves which shall on a division fall to my sons by her ~~now~~ of Catesby and Marius Jones, until they my said sons arrive at the age of twenty one or get married for then my said sons maintenance and support and she shall be bound to account for no surplus above such maintenance and support now if my said sons Geo. B. William A. Catesby and Marius Jones are to receive any portion of my estate until they shall arrive at the age of twenty one years or get married to my daughter Lucy Jones I bequeath unconditionally a negro male servant to be selected by my said daughter but at the time of such selection not to be over the age of twelve years and to my said daughter I give in like manner the sum of five hundred dollars to be paid her by my executor out of the first funds which she can at her convenience spare for that purpose - This will is made by me on the supposition that my Brother Col. W. Jones of Concord has made ample provision for my aforesaid daughter Lucy I wish it therefore to be understood that if my said brother should not give to my said daughter by his will or otherwise property fully equal in value to what my other children may get of my property from my estate which I mean as

my said brother should not give to my said daughter by will or otherwise property fully equal in value to what my other children may get of negro property from my estate which I mean as well what I leave them to be given when they attain to the age of twenty one or get married as their portion of the negroes in which my wife is left a life estate by this will then it is my wish that she should have such an amount in negroes to be taken from the negroes left my said sons as shall make the amount left her by my brother equal to the portion of each of my sons in my negro property but not including any sum which they my said sons shall receive from my other personal property. my reason for inserting this clause is that my brother has given me to understand that he intends giving my said daughter the Conend estate of mine is therefore only and Conditional- The negroes heretofore bequeathed to my wife for life at her death I desire to be equally divided between my four sons oforsaid my executrix is empowered to sell any of the slaves bequeathed to my children when it may seem to her necessary for their execution and the habits and intellectual promise of said children shall justify such sale and outlay- All the balances of my personal estate not before disposed of I wish my wife to sell if necessary for the payment of my debts. my household and kitchen furniture stock farming utensils &c. or so much thereof as my wife may choose to retain I wish kept by her and for her use and that of the family so long as they remain together and if any of the family should leave and go away my portion of such personally is to be

giving them at such time of leaving but my wife is still
 to keep said personally for the use of herself and such of the
 family as may remain during her life and at her death said
 personal estate is to be equally divided between my aforesaid
 sons, and with a view to the health of the surrounding
 neighbourhood when sale of the land on the west side
 of the mill swamp is made I wish a border of fifty feet to
 be retained to prevent the of any dam for milling or
 other purposes the old mill seat above referred to and
 which was purchased with the tract called of Alexander
 from Mrs Sinclair I wish to belong to the tract of land
 left to my wife as aforesaid and also two acres of the north
 west side of the mill swamp at the abutment of the
 old dam.

at that place. In case my executors shall make sale
 of the lands herebefore directed to be sold having the
 of aforesaid the shall have power to convey the
 said lands and my interest in the mill belonging to
 myself and Wm R. Stubbs to the purchaser by proper deeds
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and as her Executor my son Mr. Jones when he arrives at
the age of twenty one if he then think proper to act and
I request the Court that neither my son nor my wife be re-
quired to give security. In the execution of this my will
I request my Executrix to employ as her agents my friend
Col. H. Montague allowing to him a commission of five
per centum on all accounts disbursed in payment of debts
to this my last will and testament. This fifth day of
March 1845: place my hand and affixed my seal
signed in the presence of the Witnesses Jones (Seal)
Testator and of us who have set
our hands as witnesses this 5th day
of March 1845:

William R. Jones

William R. Stubbs