

John
Hughes

In the name of God amen. I John Hughes of the County of Gloucester do hereby
make ordain and constitute this my last will and testament in manner following to wit
I direct that as soon after my decease as a judicious sale can be made of my land
that all of it be sold by my executor herein named John having made advances to two of my
children and not to the other. I direct that in making the division of the proceeds of my
land and my other property both slave and freehold that the same be divided in three
portions, one portion to be allotted to my son John H. Hughes, one to the children of my
late son Thomas H. Hughes and one to my daughter Mary J. Richards, that to equalize
the divisions my son John H. Hughes' portion be charged with two hundred dollars for ad-
vances made to him by me, that my son Thomas H. Hughes' children portion be charged with
seven hundred dollars for advances made their father by me also that the said child-
ren portion be charged with the amount due me from Thomas H. Hughes & Co. whatever that
may be, which will appear by a book in my possession. That in making the
division that their portions be made equal by bringing in the advances and money
due from Thomas H. Hughes & Co. And in dividing the slaves that my negro woman
Nancy and her increase be placed in the number allotted to my daughter Mary J.
Richards, that my woman Ellen and her increase be placed in number allotted
the children of my son Thomas H. Hughes at valuation. My watch I give to my
son John H. Hughes, to make it plain and not to be misunderstood it is my
intention that my son Thomas H. Hughes' children that may be alive at my death
shall have to divided between them one portion say one third including the ad-
vances as above and money due as above. That my son John H. Hughes one third
including the advances, that my daughter Mary J. Richards to have one third with-
out any extra charge for anything. I hereby appoint my son John H. Hughes my
executor and request that the Court to permit him to qualify without requi-
ring any security. Having written all of this my last will with my own
hand and signed it with my hand and seal to be known by my

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may be, which will appear by a bond or bonds left in my papers. That in making the division that their portions be made equal by bringing in the advances and money due from Thomas H. Hughes & Co. And in dividing the slaves that my negro woman Nancy and her increase be placed in the number allotted to my daughter Mary J. Pickups, that my woman Ellen and her increase be placed in number allotted the children of my son Thomas H. Hughes at Valuation. My watch I give to my son John H. Hughes, to make it plain and not to be misunderstood it is my intention that my son Thomas H. Hughes children that may be alive at my death shall have to divided between them one portion say one third including the advances as above and money due as above. That my son John H. Hughes one third including the advances, that my daughter Mary J. Pickups to have one third without any extra charge for anything. I hereby appoint my son John H. Hughes my executor and request that the Court to permit him to qualify without requiring any security. Gloucester Co. Virginia Wills 1862-1896
www.virginiapioneers.net passing with my last will with my own hand and that being so well known. I have designed left it to be known by my hand writing. Signed and sealed This 15th day of June 1860

John Hughes Truly

At a Court held for Gloucester County at the Courtroom on Monday the 2nd day of July 1860 This last will and testament of John Hughes deceased was produced in Court for proof and there being no subscribing witness to it Samuel B. Cary and John A. B. Thornton were sworn and severally deposed that they are well acquainted with the handwriting of the said Testator and Verily believe that the said will and the signatures thereto are wholly in the own proper handwriting of the said John Hughes whereupon the said will was ordered to be recorded and is recorded.

Teste Geo. B. Cary & Clerk

Attest Teste Geo. A. Lott & Co

This copy of the last will and Testament of John Hughes deceased duly attested by Jno S Brooke Deputy Clerk of the County Court of Gloucester County was produced to the Clerk of the said Court on the 15th day of October 1866 and the original and second thereof having been destroyed by fire in the City of Richmond was on the application of Jno H Hughes Executor of the said John Hughes admitted to second annex and is recorded

Teste Jno R Cary cl. Cur.

Elizabeth Proctor do make this my last will and Testament
 Proctor 1st I devise all my personal effects to be sold and my just debts to be paid from the proceeds of the sale thereof to my son Jefferson all my land should there not be enough funds from the sale of my personal effects to pay all my debts. I devise a portion of my land to be sold sufficient to pay the balance such portion not to embrace the house lot. Should there be a surplus from the sale of my personal effects I devise it to be handed over to my son Jefferson. I give my daughter A'stes a home in my house as long as she remains single I give my daughter Lucia a home in my house as long as her husband remains absent with the Army or should he be killed or never return I give her a home there as long as she remains a single woman Should my son Jefferson die without having a lawful heir I leave my land to the children of my daughters A'stes & Lucia. Signed & witnessed this 20th day of Jan 1863

Teste
 William F Jones

Elizabeth^{her} Proctor
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