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In the Name of God Amen. I Daniel Cato of the County of
Warren and State of Virginia being weak of Body but of perfect mind and
sensible do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and
form following. I Inprimis I bequeath to my beloved wife Patience Cato during
her natural life the following Negroes to wit, Dick, Jacob, and Beniah, and
my Will and Desire is that my wife have the use of Plantation House &
Furniture as it now stands except such as I shall hereafter dispose of
during her Natural life. Item I give to my Son John Cato the Tract of Land
whereon he now lives containing by Patent three hundred & fifty four Acres
the same more or less and one Negro named Dice and one Negro named Joe
which he has now in possession to him and his heirs forever. Item I give to
my Son Roland Cato one Tract of Land whereof I have made him a deed
together with the following Negroes, to wit, Isaac, Phillis, I likewise
bequeath to my Son Roland one negro Girl named Judy until my Grandson
Robert Cato arrives to the age of twenty one years old, I also give to my
Son Roland Cato after my wife's decease one negro named Beniah to him
and his heirs forever. Item I give to my Grandson Robert Cato Son of
Roland Cato when he arrives to the age of twenty one years negro Girl
named Judy now in Possession of me. I do hereby certify that this is my last will
and testament.

my wife and I desire is that my wife have the use of Plantation House &
furniture &c. & it now stands except such as I shall hereafter dispose of
during her natural life. Item I give to my son John Cato the tract of land
whereon he now lives containing by Patent three hundred fifty four acres
to wit one or two and one Negro named Dice and one Negro named Joe
which he has now in possession to him and his heirs forever. Item I give to
my son Roland Cato one tract of Land whereof I have made him a deed
together with the following Negroes, to wit, Isaac, Phillis, & otherwise
and my son Roland one negro girl named Judy until my grandson
Robert Cato arrives to the age of twenty one years old, I also give to my
son Roland Cato after my wife's decease one negro named Dinah to him
and his heirs forever. Item I give to my grandson Robert Cato son of
Roland Cato when he arrives to the age of twenty one years negro girl
named Judy now in possession of my son Roland Cato to him and his heirs
forever. Item I give to my ^{Daughter} Susanna Woff one negro named Rose & one
negro named Jacob after my wife's decease to her and her heirs forever.
Item I give to Edward Freeman who married my Daughter Lucy one
Negro named Doll together with his wife to him and his heirs forever.

265. Item I give to my Daughter Jane Walker one negro named Hannah to her and her heirs forever & also give to my Daughter Jane one negro boy named Joe during her natural life and after her death my will and desire is that the said negro boy Joe go to my Grandson John Walker to him and his ^{heirs} forever. Item It is my will & desire that Temperance Cato widow and relict of my son Daniel Cato decd. should have the use of the plantation whereon I now live after my wife's decease together with the stock and household furniture during her widowhood and my will & desire is that my Grandson Sterling Cato have his part of the Land Stock and furniture when he arrives at the age of twenty one years old. Item I give to my Grandson Sterling Cato one negro named Peter to him and his heirs forever. Item It is my will and desire that all the residue of my Estate both real and Personal of what nature or kind soever not heretofore disposed of shall when my Grandson Sterling Cato arrives to the age of twenty one years old shall be equally divided amongst my Grand Children John Cato, Nancy Cato, Harriett Cato, Warren Cato, Faley Cato, and Emily Cato Children of my son Daniel Cato decd when my Grandson Sterling Cato will have his equal share with the above children in all my Lands Stock and household furniture and my will and desire is that after the said division that Temperance Cato have the use of the remainder of my plantation during her widowhood. Item I do hereby

to beced when my Granpion Henry Cato sold some his share with
the above children in all my Lands stock and home hold furniture and more will
and decrees that after the said division that Temperance Cato have the use
of the remainder of my plantation during her widowhood. Item to be herby
constitute ^{appoint} and my sons John Cato and Roland Cato Executors to this my last
will and Testament. The witnesses whom I have hereunto set my hand & affixed
my seal this third day of June one thousand seven hundred & ninety four.

Signed Sealed & acknowledged

in presence of us.

Foster Cook Benj^a Walker

William Walker junr.

David Cato L. S.

mark

Greensville County Court September 1797. This will was proved according
to Law by the Oaths of the witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded and
on the Motion of Roland Cato the surviving Executor therein named who
made Oath thereto and with Peter Vincent and William Walker his Secutior
entered into and acknowledged their Bond in the penalty of five thousand
Dollars with Condition as the Law directs Certificate was granted him
for obtaining a probat thereof in due form.

Teste J. P. Selham Clk. Cus.

Be it known unto all Men that I David Cato of the Town of