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In the name of God Amen I Matthew Mayes of Greenville County
do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all other
Wills by me heretofore made first I desire my body may be decently buried
at the discretion of my Executors hereafter mentioned, and next that my just
Debts be paid and as to the rest of my Estate I give and dispose of it in
manner and form following, To wit, I will that my Executors here-
after to be mentioned sell to the highest bidder the following Negroes on
Twelve Months credit one negroe man slave Willis one woman slave
Aggy and one girl named Jenny Item I give and bequeath to my
sons my Lands as follows After the death of my wife my will is
that they be equally divided between my sons Irvin Brown Mayes,
Querry Spain Mayes, and Matthew Peterson Mayes Notwithstanding
should my wife Frances Mayes make over to my son Irvin Brown
Mayes her right and Title to the land which descended to her by the
death of her ^{brother} Burrell Brown then and in that case after the death of
my wife I give and bequeath to my son Querry Spain Mayes the land
and plantation I purchased of Thomas Williamson in this County
and also the land and plantation I purchased of John Goodwyn.
In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the said County
this 10th day of June 1794

and also the land and plantation purchased of John Goodwyn's
formerly the property of Lewis Dupree senr. and also the five acres of
Land joining Simon Turner junr. Item I give and bequeath to my
son Matthew Peterson Mayes the Land and plantation whereon I
now live but in case that either of my sons should die under the
age of twenty one years and without issue that the survivors or
their legal representatives shall enjoy the same which said Land
abovementioned I give to them their heirs and assigns forever, and
there is two fishing places the one on Drury S. Mayes Land &
the other of Irvin Brown Mayes Land ^(which) may in time be very
valuable my will and desire is that my three sons as abovementi-
oned have an equal right and Interest in the fisheries. Item I
give to my son Irvin one likely negro Slave between the age of
twelve and sixteen years also I give him one Sucka Colt and my
Joiners and Wheelwrights Tools and also my black Smiths Tools
also my Saddle and Bridle immediately after my Death. Item
I give to my son Drury Spain Mayes after the Death of my wife
one likely negro Slave between the age of sixteen and twenty one. I
give and bequeath to my son Matthew Peterson Mayes after the death

son Matthew Peterson Mayes the same and
now live but in case that either of my sons should die under the
age of Twenty one Years and without issue that the survivors or
their legal representatives shall enjoy the same which said Land
abovementioned I give to them their heirs and assigns forever, and
there is two fishing places the one on Jerry S. Mayes Land &
the other of Irvin Brown Mayes Land ^{which} may in time be very
valuable my will and desire is that my three sons as abovementi-
oned have an equal right and Interest in the fisheries. Item I
give to my son Irvin one likely Negroe Slave between the age of
twelve and sixteen Years also I give him one Luba Colt and my
Joiners and Wheelwrights Tools and also my black Smiths Tools
also my Saddle and Bridle immediately after my Death. Item
I give to my son Jerry Spain Mayes after the Death of my wife
one likely Negroe Slave between the age of sixteen and Twenty one. I
give and bequeath to my son Matthew Peterson Mayes after the death
of my wife one Negroe between the age of sixteen and Twenty one.
Item I give and bequeath to my wife Fearsas Mayes one sorrel
Mare

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Mar one bay Horse and gray Horse one chain and Harness four boxes and
bales, choice of three cows and pigs, Turkey over small shoats and four
feather beds and furniture to her and her heirs forever. Item it is my will
and desire that after my death all my crop and Stock not before mentioned
excepting as much corn and pork as will serve ^{for} the Family should be sold
and applied to the use of paying my Debts. Item I will to my sons
Darius Spain Mayes and Matthew Peterson Mayes after the death of
my wife all my Household furniture not before mentioned to be equally
divided between them. Item I lend the rest of my Estate to my wife
Frances Mayes during her natural life, provided she raise maintain
and Educate my children in a manner agreeable to what might be
expected in the opinion of my Executors having regard to the Estate
but until they shall arrive at the Age of Twenty one Years: and after
her death I give the same to be equally divided between my two
Daughters Mary Thucatt Mayes, and Martha Pritchett Mayes to
them their heirs and assigns forever. Item I nominate and appoint
my wife John Goodwyn Braddock Goodwyn and Alexander Maba
Executors to this my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I
have hereunto set my Hand and affixed my seal this ninth Day of

Witness my hand and seal this ninth Day of
Sept. 1781

At Greensville County Court & James' sign. was called on
The Court with a witness there and ordered to be recorded

(Daughters Mary Thuesatt Mayes, and Martha Hutchins Chappin
from their heirs and assigns forever I do nominate and appoint
my wife John Goodwyn Braddock Goodwyn and Alexander Mada
Executors to this my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I
have hereunto set my Hand and affixed my seal this ninth day of
April One Thousand Seven Hundred and ninety six.

Signed, sealed and declared to be my last Will & Testament in
presence of
Matthew Mayes (L.S.)

Joseph Lee, John Harris, Frederick Porch.
Greensville County December Court 1796. This will was proved
according to Law by the oath of Joseph Lee a Witness thereto and ordered
to be recorded And on the Motion of John Goodwyn and Braddock Goodwyn
two of the Executors therein named who made oath thereto and with
James Hinton, William Robinson junr, John Seter and Turner Williamson
their Executions entered into and acknowledged Bond in the penalty
of Eight Thousand Dollars with condition as the Law directs. Certifi-
cate was granted them for obtaining a Probate thereof in due form.

Teste J. P. M. S. Cur.

An Inventory of the Estate of William Bailey deceased taken this 13th