

February the Twelfth day One thousand Seven hundred and
Eighty two In the Name of God Amen. I Thomas Morris of
Alleghen Parish and County of Greensville being in perfect
health sound judgment and Memory thanks be to Almighty God
for his mercies, and calling to mind the certainty of Death and
nothing more uncertain than the time and manner thereof
am willing to settle my worldly affairs and to make this my
last Will and Testament in manner and form following Viz
In the first place I commit and recommend my Soul unto
Almighty God as into the hands of a faithful Creator
humbly hoping to be saved by his free grace and Mercy
through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ my only
Saviour and Redeemer and as to such worldly goods as it
hath been pleased God to bestow upon me I give and bequeath
in manner and form following Viz I give and bequeath
unto my Son Charles Morris all my Land
lying in the fork of the great and my Swamp containing
One hundred and fifty Acres be the same more or less to him
I do

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hath been pleased God to bestow upon me I give and bequeath
in manner and form following Viz In primis I give
and bequeath unto my Son Chislon Morris all my Land
lying in the fork of the great and miry Swamps containing
One hundred and fifty Acres be the same more or less to him
his heirs or Assigns for ever also I give my Negroe Peter to the
said Chislon provided he the said Chislon should have a
lawfull heir at his Death. Item I give unto my son Henry
Morris two Negroe Boys named Mingoe and Sharper provided
to the said Henry should have a lawfull heir at his Death.
Item I lend to my Daughter Bethiah Brewer during her
natural life, one Negroe Girl Notice, and after the Death of the
said Bethiah I give and bequeath the said Notice, together with
all her increase unto my Grand Daughter Ann Brewer to her
heirs and Assigns for ever. Item I lend to my Daughter
Agga, Boff. during her natural life one Negroe Girl Peggy
and after the Death of the said Agga I give and bequeath the

1) said Peggy together with all her increase unto my Grand Son
Thomas Bass to him his heirs or Assigns forever. Item I give
unto my Son in Law John Brecker fifteen Pounds hard Money
Item I give unto my Grand Son Thomas Eppes fifteen Pounds hard
Money if the said Thomas shall arrive to the age of twenty one or
marry Item I give unto my Grand Daughter Sarah Davis one
feather Bed two Sheets and one Blanket. Item I give unto my
Grand Daughter Rebecca Davis my Negroe Boy Fred, provided
she, said Rebecca should arrive to the Age of twenty one or marry
and if she dies under ^{said} Age I say my Will is that the Negroe be equally
divided between all the children that my Daughter Sarah Davis
shall have at her Death if any, if none, my Will is that the said Fred
be equally divided between my four Executors. Item I lend to my beloved
Wife Roger Morris during her Natural life or Widowhood, two Negroes
Judy and Nan, and one Feather Bed and furniture the choice in my
House, and the liberty of one Room of my House the choice and one cow
to milk yearly the choice in my Pen, and a sufficient quantity of
provision and Household and Kitchen furniture and a sufficient
Horse and Saddle at leisure, for the same Term but not to make more
than one year.

with any of the above lent Estate. Now I give and bequeath unto ~~John~~
Jabez Morris all my Land lying on the North side of the great
Swamp to him his Heirs or Assigns for ever, provided he lives to the
Age of twenty One or Marries, and if the said Jabez dies under the age
of twenty One without a lawful heir my Will is that the Land be equally
divided between my two sons Chislon and Henry Morris provided they
leave a lawful heir at their Death, And also I give unto my Son Jabez
Morris my three Negroes, George, Witty and Thumb, together with
all the residue of my Estate not heretofore given or lent, Also at the Death
or Marriage of my Wife I give unto my Son Jabez the Negroes together
with all their increase that I have lent to my Wife provided the said Jabez
shall find his Mother a sufficient maintenance agreeable to this my
Will also all the Residue of my Estate that is lent to my Wife I give unto
my Son Jabez ^{provided the said Jabez} shall leave a lawful heir at his Death. Now
my Will is that if either of my three Sons, Chislon, Henry or Jabez shall
die without a lawful heir that their parts of my Estate be equally divided
between my six Grand Children Lewis Brewer, John Allsbroke, Robert
Morris, John Morris, ~~Isaac Morris~~ and Rebecca Walton to them
their heirs or Assigns for ever. I do appoint my Sons ~~Chislon~~
Henry, Jabez Morris and John Brewer Executors of this my Will

Age of twenty One or Married, and if the said Jabez is under the age
of Twenty One without a lawful heir my Will is that the said be equally
divided between my two sons Chislon and Henry Morris provided they
have a lawful heir at their Death, And also I give unto my Son Jabez
Morris my three Negroes, George, Witty and Mumbo, together with
all the residue of my Estate not heretofore given or lent, Also at the Death
or Marriage of my Wife I give unto my Son Jabez the Negroes together
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between my six Grand Children Lewis Brewer, John Allbrooke, Robert
Morris, John Morris, ~~Samuel Morris~~ and Rebecca Walton to them
their heirs or assigns for ever. I do appoint my Sons Chislon
Henry, Jabez Morris and John Brewer Executors of this my last Will
and Testament, revoking all other Wills heretofore by me made.

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Sarah Davis's children the word the land in the division between
Chislon and Henry Morris the word Death or marriage. In
Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal the Day
and Year first Written.

Signed Sealed published and } Thomas ^{his} Morris (L.S.)
declared in presence of } Mark

Sally Bass
Elizabeth Read
Elizabeth Morris
David Popper

At a Court held for Greensville County the 23 day of January 1783
This Will was proved according to Law by the Oaths of Sally Bass
and David Popper Witnesses thereto and Ordered to be recorded.
And at a Court held for the said County the 27th day of February
following. On the Motion of Chislon Morris Gabez Morris and
John Brewer Executors therein named who made Oath thereto
and together with John Turner and Francis Dancy their Securons
introduced in to and acknowledged their Bond in the Penalty of three
thousand Pounds conditioned as the Law directs Certificate was

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Sally Baps

Elizabeth Read

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David Raper

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thousand Pounds. Conditioned as the Law directs certificate was
granted them for obtaining a Probate thereof in due form. Liberty
being reserved for the other Executors therein named to join in the said
Probate when he may think fit.

Test.

P Pelham Esq

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In the Name of God Amen. I John Dawson of the