

At a Court held for Greensville County the 25th Day of July 1702
This Will was proved according to Law by the Oath of Edmund
Wilkins and Frances Wadson Witnesses thereto and Ordered to
be recorded And on the Motion of the Executor therein named who
made Oath thereto and together with James Wall his Security
entered into and acknowledged their Bond in the Penalty of five
hundred pounds conditioned as the Law directs Certificate was
granted him for obtaining a Probate thereof in due form.

Teste

P Pelham Howard

I William Fanning of the County of Greensville and in the State
of Virginia enjoying by the blessing of Almighty God my Reason
and understanding do make and appoint this my last Will. I'm p'miss
I desire that all my just Debts may be paid as soon as conveniently can
be done. I W^m Fanning the Plantation whereon I live may be sold at
such time and in such a manner as shall appear to my Executors most
adviseable retaining in the Land itself a Security for the just payment
hereof and my Wife hereafter be unwilling it should be sold it is my
sense that my Executors ^{may} decline selling it. I leave to the Executors

whereon I live be not sold at the Death of my Wife nor also at the Death of my
Daughter without Issue. It is my desire that it be given to my Nephew
John Wickham. It is my desire that an inventory may be taken but no
appraisment be made of my Estate. That my Estate be kept together for
the support of my Dear Wife and Daughter till either of them should
marry or die. Should my Wife die unmarried before my Daughter it is
my desire that she may have the power of making such legacies as she
may think proper to the amount of one hundred and fifty Guineas.
Item Whenever my Daughter should marry I wish the Estate
to be equally divided one half to my Daughter, the profits, the free and
full use of the other half to be given to my Wife during her life and at her
death for it to descend to my Daughter. But should my Daughter die
before my Wife and before she arrives at the Age of twenty One years or
marries. It is my desire that my Wife may have during her natural
life the use and profits of my whole Estate and the property of one
half of it to be at her disposal at her death. Should it be agreeable to
my Wife perhaps hereafter it may be advisable to lay out some Money
on Lands in the Vicinity of Williamsburg in that case I wish and
empower my Executors to do so taking a Bond or Bonds in my Daughter's
name; but in case my Daughter dies before she comes of Age or marries
I wish the said Money to be paid to my Daughter.

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Name, but in case my Daughter dies before her marriage
I wish the Land to be sold by my Executors and the Money arising
from the Sale be considered as Chattels, Should my Daughter marry
and die before my Wife leaving no Issue I wish one third part of my
Estate to be at my Wifes disposal. If my Daughter should die before
she Marries and before she arrives at the Age of Twenty one Years It is
my desire that after my Wifes death the following Legacies may be
made from that Money of my Estate which will then not be disposed of
I give to my Nephew John Wickham two hundred and fifty Guineas
to each of my Brothers and Sister and half Sister that may be alive at
that time fifty Guineas. I also give to Miss Polly Gray and to my Friend
William Newsum fifty Guineas each. It is my desire that my Executors
give to Miss Elizabeth Scott Twenty five Pounds or if there is a diffi-
culty in raising the Species that they give her an annuity putably good
Bond for that Sum. I wish and desire my Executors to calculate what
would be due to the Minister of the Parish from my Estate according to
the former custom of Parish levies and to pay it as soon as possible to
the Rev. Mr. Lindsie. The residue of my Estate I wish to be laid out in
such charitable purposes as to my Executors shall appear most desirable

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the former customs of Parish-bodies and to pay it as soon as possible to
the Rev^d Mr. Lunday. The residue of my Estate I wish to be laid out in
such charitable purposes as to my Executors shall appear most desirable
and Beneficial. And certainly there can be none who are more proper objects
of this Charity than my Negroes especially the Elder part of them who have
long laboured for their support if any family. I bequeath to my Negroes in

particular I wish every possible indulgence and kindness may be
showed towards them which their condition will admit of. Should the
Plantation be broke up and they dispersed it is my desire that they
may be hired or suffered to live at such places only as shall be agreeable
to them and that left attention be paid to the profits which might
be made from them then to the making their condition comfortable.
I wish all the ~~clauses and~~ Articles in the foregoing will be sounder
stood, and explained as not to withhold any part of my Estate from the
necessary use and enjoyment of my wife which she possibly may
stand in need of from the difficulty of the times and the unsettled
State of affairs. She deserves every thing from me, and while there
is a Shilling of the Estate left let it be at her command. But from
a Testimony of respect to my Dear Wife it would be unbecomingly
to break the most benevolent and kind attention of my worthy
executors towards her. I know they will be fond and I wish their
kindness may not be checked by a scrupulous attention to the Interest
of those who may enjoy the Estate after her death. How ardently
I wish that my dear little Daughter may have early engraves
in her mind the meek and lovely graces of a Christian. And that she
may be taught to live under a lively conviction that she can have no
real happiness but in the love of God and his will.

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rational hopes of either present or future felicity but from a
conscientious discharge of her duty and the well grounded hopes
of the divine approbation. It is my desire that my worthy friends
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and W^o John & Verison be my Executors April the fifth one thousand
seven hundred and eighty two.

acknowledged in presence of } William Tanning (L.S.)

John Lucas
W^o Daniel Lucas
Sarah Moore
William Stark

God will. Should the place whereon this be not fold in the space
of two years from my death it is my desire that it may not be sold
at all by my Executors. But should my Daughter die unmarried it is
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my desire that it may descend to my Nephew John Wickham and his
heirs in that case John Wickham is not to have the two hundred and
fifty Guineas left him in my Will. At the expiration of five years
from my Death I wish my Executors to endeavour to obtain the freedom
of Rebecca, Molly, and Cady and the female I live that they may
live here until April the tenth One thousand Seven hundred & eighty two

5 John Lucas
Nathaniel Lucas
Rebecca Lucas

Wm Fanning (S)

At a Court held for Greensville County the 25th Day of July 1702.
This Will was proved according to Law by the Oaths of John Lucas
Nathaniel Lucas and William Stark and together with the
Copies annexed which was proved by the Oaths of the Witnesses thereto
~~and~~ Ordered to be recorded And on the Motion of Thomas Linder and
John Flood Edmunds two of the Executors therein named who made
Oath thereto and together with James Wall their Security entered into
and acknowledged their Bond in the Penalty of Ten 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 to join in the said Probate when they may think fit
Teste
P. Pelham Esq

In the Name of God Amen I Richard Victor of
Greensville County in the Parish of Saint Andrews being in perfect
Health of Body and peace of mind and sound reasonable memory to
this Eighth day of September 1701. make this my last Will and