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Buryman Green DCH

W
Ambrose Foster
Will

In the name of God amen I Ambrose Foster of the County of Halifax and State of Virginia being in a low State of health but of Sound mind am musing and caling to mind the mortality of my body and well knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do make constitute and ordain this and no other to be my last Will and Testament in manner and form following (To Wit) Imprimis it is my will and desire that all my lawfull and just debts be first paid paid by my Executors hereafter named out of my Estate. Item I bind unto my well beloved Wife Peggy Foster during her natural life or widowhood the the tract of land I purchased of Andrew Ferguson whereon I now live containing four hundred acres with the use of the following Slaves (To Wit, Robin, Betty, Kate, Lucy, Wilk, Angeline & Manney and my stock of all kinds household and kitchen furniture to bring up raise & educate my younger children. Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Sally Foster and my two Grand Sons (To Wit, Foster More and John More a tract of land lying in Brunswick County N. Carolina which I purchased of Thomas Robertson containing three hundred acres to

be equally divided between them having regard to quantity and quality to be given to them
and therefor our Iam I give to my Grand Daughter Peggy Moore thirty five pounds
or a young negro to that value at the discretion of my Executors hereafter named Iam I
lend unto my daughter Mildred Haddon a negro boy named Duddy and one feather bed during
her natural life and after her death to revert to my Estate and be Equally divided
among all my surviving Children. Iam I give and bequeath to my son Ambrose -
Foster the land and plantation whereon I now live containing four hundred acres
more or less and is the land purchased of Andrew Ferguson to be delivered to my said son
after the death or marriage of my s^d Wife also two negro boys named Harison and
Levy to him and his heirs forever. Iam I give and bequeath to my five daughters, To wit,
Sally Foster Peggy Foster, Patsy Foster Patsy Bran & and Fanny Foster the several negroes before lent to
my Wife after her death, To wit, Robin, Pitt, Kate, Lucy, Wilks, Angela, & Nancy to be delivered
to them at my wife death or marriage with their greater Increase to be equally divided amongst them
as they and my Executors can agree without any suit or decree for such divisions. Iam I give and bequeath
all the rest residue and remainder of my Estate be the same of what nature kind or quality I am &
not herebefore willed away in this said Will I give and bequeath to my Son and daughter that is to
say John Foster, Sally Foster, Peggy Foster, Patsy Foster, Fanny Foster and Ambrose Foster to
them and their heirs forever. Lastly I nominate constitute and appoint my trusty friends Thomas
Watkins and Herndon Haddon Esquires, Executors of this my last Will and Testament ratifying

Say John Foster, Sally Foster, Betty Foster, Henry Foster and Ambrose Foster to them and their heirs forever. Lastly I nominate constitute and appoint my trusty friends Thomas Watkins and Herndon Harrison Esquires Executors of this my last Will and Testament ratifying and confirming this another to be my last Will & Testament. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seal this 28th day of February 1802

Signed Seal & published

In Presence of

Ambrose Foster L.S.

Thomas Brandon Junr., John Mitchell, Henry Mitchell, Clement Spivey
At a Court held for Halifax County the 26th day of July 1802

The within written Last Will and Testament of Ambrose Foster deceased was exhibited in Court and proved by the oaths of four Witnesses thereto subscribed and ordered to be recorded. And Herndon Harrison one of the Executors therein named having by his writing filed, refused to take upon himself the burden of the execution thereof. ~~Thereupon~~ is ordered to be certified.

Teste John Wimberly C. St. C.

At a Court held for Halifax County the 28th day of February 1803

On the motion of Thomas Watkins Esq. one of the Executors herein named, who made oath according to law: Certificate is granted him for obtaining probat thereof in due form, After giving security whereupon he together with Edwin Gortington, Timothy Holt and Henry Chambers his securities, entered into, and acknowledged their bond, in the penalty of fifty thousand dollars - conditioned as the law directs.

Teste John Wimberly C. St. C.