

Richardson
Wills

In the name of God amen I John Richardson being indisposed in body but thanks be
to God perfect in memory do declare this to be my Last will & Testament in manner & form following
Item I give & bequeath unto my son John Richardson Forty acres of Land including the houses
where he now lives to him & his heirs. — Item I give & bequeath unto my Two Daughters To wit,
Nancy & Susannah Richardson eighty acres of Land partly including the houses, orchard & Spring
where I now live to them & their heirs, also to each of my 3^d Daughters I give & bequeath a
Feather bed & furniture also a Cow and calf to each of them — Item I give & bequeath all the
remainder of my land to my other two Daughters To wit, Mary Shields, & Elizabeth Turner
to be Equally Divided between them, to them, to them & their heirs — Item my Will & desire is
that the Residue of my Estate which I have not mentioned, may be Equally divided between
all my Children & Lastly I appoint my son John Richardson & my Daughter Nancy Richardson
my Executor & Executrix of this my Last will & Testament hoping they will see it fulfilled —
agreeable to its real meaning & it is further my wish that my said Executor & Executrix shall
not be obliged to give security for their Executaship nor return any appraisement of my said estate
hereby revoking all former wills & hereby Declaring this my Last will & Testament. I Witness
whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this First day of February 1798
In presents off

Wm H Hunt

John Richardson

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In presence of

Wm H. Hunt

Lewis ^{his} Wilborn

William ^{mark} Taper

^{this} John Richardson
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L.S.

At a Court held for Halifax County the 23rd day of April 1798

The within written last will and Testament of John Richardson dec^d was presented in Court and proved by the oaths of two of the Witnesses thereto subscribed and Ordered to be Recorded — And on the motion of John Richardson and Nancy Richardson the Executor & Executrix therein named who made oath according to Law Certificate for obtaining probate thereof in due form of Law is granted them they entering into bond with Sufficient Penalty for the due & faithful Execution of the same and thereupon the said John & Nancy Richardsons entered into bond in the Penalty of fifteen hundred dollars conditioned as the Law directs for that Purpose

Teste John Wembish C^{lerk}

Truly recorded

Teste Burgman Green N^{otary}