

At a Court held for Halifax County the 27th day of October 1800

The within written Last Will and Testament of Rebecca Brandon decd. was presented in Court and proved by the oaths of two witnesses thereto subscribed and ordered to be recorded. And on the motion of Thomas Brandon and Francis Brandon the executors therein named who made oath according to law certificate for obtaining probat thereof in due form of law is granted them they entering into bond with sufficient security - for the due & faithful execution of the same, and thereupon the said Thomas Brandon and Francis Brandon entered into bond in the penalty of three thousand dollars conditioned as the law directs for that purpose.

Teste John Wimbish C. H. C.

Truly recorded

- Teste

Burgman Green D. C. H. C.

In the name of God Amen I Joseph Holt of the County of Halifax being of sound mind and memory do make and ordain this my last will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say first and principally I desire that all my just debts and funeral charges be paid out of my estate by executors hereafter named in such manner as they think most convenient. And unto my beloved wife Judith Holt my land, house and plantation whereon

I now dwell together with all my personal estate during her natural life and after the decease of my said wife Judith it is my will and desire that all my estate of every kind except the above mentioned land be equally divided amongst all the female & children lawfully begotten of my daughter Betsy Tomkins Douglas. Item it is my will and I do accordingly order, that in case my said daughter Betsy Tomkins Douglas, should have a male child born, lawfully begotten, I give and bequeath unto the said Male Child, my land and plantation above mentioned to him and his heirs for ever but in case she should not have a male child it is my will and desire that the aforesaid land be sold to the best advantage and the money arising from the sale of the same to be equally divided as above mentioned amongst all the female children lawfully begotten of my said Daughter Betsy Tomkins Douglas and lastly I do constitute and appoint John Irvine James Medley and Bedford Davenport Executors of this my last will and Testament Ratifying and confirming this only to be my last will and Testament In Witness whereof I do hereunto set my hand and affix my seal this twelfth day of May one Thousand seven hundred and ninety four. Antulinda before signed

Signed sealed published
and declared by the Testator

In presence of
Thomas Davenport
John Woodson
James Kent

Joseph Holt L.S.

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The within written Last Will and Testament of Joseph Holt dec^d. was presented in Court and proved by the oaths of two of the Witnesses thereto subscribed and added to be recorded. Thereupon John Irvine and Bedford Davenport two of the executors therein named personally appeared in Court and refused to take upon themselves the execution thereof likewise James Medley the other executor by his writing as follows (to Wit) "to the Worshipful Court of Halifax County Gentlemen by this you will be informed that I cannot serve as an executor to the will of Joseph Holt dec^d I am yours respectfully &c James Medley October 26th 1800" having also refused to take the execution thereof ordered that the same be certified. And at the same Court continued and held on Tuesday the 28th October 1800. On the motion of Nickerson Oliver who intermarried with the widow of the said Joseph dec^d who made oath according to law, and together with William Chambers and Philipson Carlton his securities entered into bond in the penalty of ten Thousand dollars conditioned as the law requires, certificate is granted him for obtaining letters of administration with the will annexed of the estate of the said Joseph dec^d in due form.

Teste John Wimbish C.H.C.

Truly recorded

Teste

Buryman Green D.H.C.