

In the Name of God Amen I Moses Portlick 28th Year of my
 County being awake body but brain mind and memory Defect
 (ed) Do make this and ordain this as my last will and Testament
 in manner as follows: first I give my little daughter
~~my daughter Mary and her share of the land and the house~~
 and bath— second I give to my sister Elizabeth Portlick my young Man
 and the best of the black that was be mine— I give and Devise to my dear
 Mary the best of Land where she was born and all the rest
 of my possession Right Tools and all other things that is mine
 after my Decease— My Will and Devise is that none of the boys shall ha
 ve any concern in my affairs William John Abraham nor that Abraham shall
 ever have my Land nor part of it nor the Lumber— and Devise that the three
 girls shall see the Cautions for my Decease and Abraham for making the
 the Estate and not giving any part of the Estate or part of
 takes not see this part of the Estate but only of the land and the house

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Testamentary Words Spoken by Moses Portlick the 2^d day of May 1786
 at his Mother the day before his Decease in presence of James Arnold
 & Elizabeth his Wife Being Cautions of the approach of Death & as
 what he Devised should be done with his Est^d said that he Devise
 that his sister Mary should have his Land & that if he should De
 cease her Choice of the three lots here after mentioned (to wit) his riding
 Horse also his Man & shortly a fether Red a Cow and Calf & also and Pig
 my Rifle Gun Smooth Bore & all my Working tools to be sold and
 Equally amongst the three Girls the two lots mentioned after his
 sister Mary has her Choice he ordered to his other two sister
 Certified under our hands this 6th Day of May 1786

James Arnold

Elizabeth Arnold

At 6 in the evening the said day being out by John Crews which
 of all his brethren he decide should have his Land on which he
 kept if he should Die I want Mary to have the Land for had
 rather she should have it then any of the Rest
 Certified under my hand this 6th Day of May 1786

John Crews

Half 1st This day James Arnold & Elizabeth his Wife and
 John Crews came before and made Oath that the above Testamentary
 Words was Spoken by Moses Portlick in his death sickness at
 his Mother the day before his Death & that they believe him
 to be in his proper sense— Certified under my hand this
 6th Day of May 1786

Edo Hunt

At a Court held for Halifax County the 21st day of September 1786
 This last Will & Testament of Moses Portlick Deceased as also
 his Testamentary Words were in the presence of James Arnold and
 Elizabeth his Wife were read up to Court and the said Will
 being proved by the Oath of John Portlick and Abraham Portlick
 to be the hand Writing of the Testator Moses all of which were
 ordered to be Recorded

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