

February Court 1790

In the name of God Amen & Testimony

Bowman of the County of Halifax being sick and weak in body, but of perfect mind and memory do make and Assign his my last Will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say first I order that all my Just Debts and funeral Charges be Paid.

I then I desire and so according Order that all my Estate of every Kind and nature after Paying all my Just Debts and funeral Charges aforesaid to the Property of my brother John Bowman which I now and do make to him his heirs and assigns forever. Item I do bequeath to the said John Bowman the Land to which I am entitled to as Clerk to the said Jersey Line in Continental Service and the whole sum of money due me in the hands of John Turner Junr merchant at New York and also in the hands of Isaac Robinson merchant at New Ark in the State of New Jersey with the Interest thereon due all which I give to him his heirs and assigns forever. Item I do order that my Executors hereafter named do out of my Estate Purchase a Tract of Ground situated near John Hicks his Land and Son which I give to each of them. Lastly do constitute and appoint my friends John Hicks my brother John Bowman Executors of this my Last Will and Testament Ratifying and Confirming to be my last Will & Testament. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this seventh day of July one thousand seven hundred & eighty nine.

Signed Seals Publiks and

Witnesses by the said Testator to be

his Last Will & Testament In

Presence of

John Manning

H. Gore

John Bowman L.S

At a Court held for Halifax County the 22nd day of February 1790
The Last Will and Testament of Nathaniel Bowman deceased was Exhibited into Court by John Hicks One of the Executors, and the same was Read by the Clerk of the Court standing. One of the witnesses Robert Subers who also makes Oath the former Henry Gore subscribed the same as a witness (who is now deceased) and it also appearing to the satisfaction of the Court that the same is the true & writing of the said Gore & was directed to be Purse. And On the Motion the said Executor who made Oath according to Law Certificate for obtaining a Probate of the said ^{Will} ~~Will~~ in due form is Granted him Whereupon he together with Edmund King & John Williams his Counsel entered into & acknowledge their Bond for that Purpose according to Law. Reserving Right to John Hicks the other Executor herein named to join in the Probate when he shall arrive to sufficient Age.

John George Livingston Clerk

Truly Recorded

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Teste Wm Thompson D. & J. K.