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August 1782

In the Name of GOD Amen I Peter Rogers of a
twin parish in the County of Halifax being on a low state
of health but in perfect Sense and Memory do make
constitute and Ordain this my last will and testament
in the manner and form following that is to say.

I give and Bequeath unto my son Alexander Rogers
my first mill on Coleman's Creek together with one hundred
and Acres of Land wherein the same stands provided that
he shall let his Mother Elizabeth Rogers have half the pro-
fits of the said mill during her widowhood also give my
said Son one Soul made a Mans Ladle a Rifle Gun
My Word to him and his heirs forever.

My will and desire is that the two hundred and thirty acres
of land which I bequeath of John Nelson should be sold
towards paying of my debts.

My will and desire is that all the rest of my land that before
named should be Equally divided as they can agree on
amongst all my Sons when the youngest comes to age this
was my wife with the consent of my Executors may
sell the whole of it if they think proper.

I send to my loving wife Elizabeth Rogers all my
moveable Estate during her natural life or widowhood
which shall first happen all my slaves and moveable
Estate of every kind except the specific articles above
mentioned, also the use of my plantation on Coleman Creek
the Expiration of her natural life or widowhood.

I give that all the Negroes and personal Estate that may be
remain shall be Equally divided Amongst my Children as
shall be then living.

And I will and desire that my said wife do have my Chil-
dren Educated in the best Manner that the Circumstances
of my Estate will admit of without inconveniency also
desire that Alexander Nelson shall have his monthboards
long as the Expence of my Estate this Expence of Schooling
I expect to be paid out of the Profits of my Estate.

In case my son Alexander Rogers should die without a law
full Begotten heir of his body I desire the estate given her
shall be sold to the highest bidder after the death of said
of my wife and the money arising by such sale to be equally
divided Amongst my Children that shall be then

August 1785

Witnessed to be Executors of this my last will and testam-
ent. Drawing and dismantling all and every will and
testament by me hitherto made in Writing whereof the said
Peter Rogers have hereunto set my hand and affix
at this 26 day of January 1785

Peter Rogers

signed, sealed & witness'd
in the presence of

John McMichael
George McMichael
David McMichael
Mark

At a Court held for Halifax County the 18 day of August
1785 this will & testament of Peter Rogers deceased was
published in Court by Elizabeth Rogers & Nicholas Nelson two
the executors herein named and the same was proved
to the satisfaction of the subscribers witnesses hereto and
bound to be record and on the Motion of the said Court
who made oath thereto according to Law Certificate is
presented there for Obtaining of a Seal hereby in due form
they giving Security and there up or they together with
William Nelson (his) George Wiley & Moses Fontaine their
partners entered into and Acknowledged Bond for the
sum as the Law directs whereupon the Justice by whom unknown
thereby intended to stand against the prof & the foregoing will
2d. Test. Geo Barrington Esq.

Duly recorded

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In the Name of GOD Amen the twenty eighth day of
May in the year of our Lord Christ one thousand seven hundred
and eighty five I Edward Tonney being very sick but of a
sound Mind and Memory and knowing the Mortality
of my body and knowing that he appointed me for all the time
to make his Will and Desire this to be my last will and
testament in Manner and form following to wit
William Tonney, Edward Tonney, & legatee of Edward Tonney deceased
not Paying any Part of the Debts as required on the date
of his last Will and Testament of his father Edward Tonney which he
named me to sell the personal Estate of the said Edward Ton-