

to Church

Halifax

Will

In the name of God amen I Robert Blander being in perfect health
and sound in memory, thank to almighty God for the same Yet considering the frailty
incident to human nature do make this my last Will and Testament in manner
and form following Viz. I Supreme Bequeath unto my Beloved Wife Jane Negroes 9 then
increase during her natural life namely Sam Luck Marshy Parrott and Nell Aggie
and bequeath to my daughter Pulk Crompton One Negro named Joe now in her
possession also thirty pounds in cash. I also give and bequeath to my son John the land
whereon he now lives, lying on the West side of Kings Road to the great road thence
across a. the ridge path goes to the head of a hickelberry pond, thence down the
slack to smallmans line also One negro named Ben now in her possession also sixty
eight pounds in cash which I paid him in part of his land which he sold me. I also
give and bequeath to my daughter Mary Glaze two negroes namely Beck and her in-
crease now in her possession Moses when my daughter Christiana arrives at sixteen
years of age I also give and bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth Yates One Negro
named Oliver now in her possession also as much money as will purchase a
likely negro Wench at my death which if it happens before my daughter Chris

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Christianiana arrives at the age of sixteen my will is she is not to have it till that
time also two Cows and calves two sows and Pigs I also give and bequeath to my
daughter Martha Provett One Negro named Such and her increase now in her possession
also Simon when my daughter Christianiana arrives at the age of sixteen I also
give and bequeath to my son Gildery One Negro named Peta also One Negro woman
named Milly when my daughter Christianiana arrives at sixteen years of age also
half of my tract of land purchased of William Mann containing four hundred Acres
should he die without heirs of his own body the land to revert to my son William &
the Negroes to be equally divided amongst my four youngest children also two Cows
and Calves two sows and Pigs and One Leather bag and furniture I also give and
bequeath unto my son William the reversion of that tract of land purchased of
William Mann also One Negro named Dine also One named Sall after my daughter
Christianiana arrives at the age of sixteen and her increase from this time to be equally
divided amongst my five youngest children should he die without heirs of his
own body the land to revert to Gildery and the Negroes to be equally divided
amongst my four youngest children I also give and bequeath to my daughter Diana
two Negroes named Frank and Luke and should she die without heirs

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Own body to be equally divided amongst my four Youngest Children I also give
and bequeath to my son Wilcox all my Lands lying on the South side of the South Fork
of Difficult Creek also all the land lying on the North side of said Creek below the
Church path crossing at Durhams Ford to the line at Wrights Old field also two negroes
named Harry and Gloucester should he die without heirs of his Own body the land
to revert to my son Hartwell and the negroes to be equally divided amongst
my four Youngest Children I also give and bequeath to my son Hartwell the division
of the Tract of land whereon I now live only my beloved wife to have her share
in it for life time I also give and bequeath to my said son two negroes named
Samy & Charles should he die without heirs of his Own body the land to revert
to my son Wilcox and the negroes to be equally divided amongst my four Youngest
Children I also give and bequeath to my daughter Christiana two negroes named
Patience and Suck the daughter of Sack should she die without heirs of her own
body to be equally divided amongst my four Youngest Children should any of the
negroes I give to my five Youngest Children die before she arrives to the age
of sixteen it is my Will that the poorer shall have One or as many as is lost out of the
remaining negroes namely Old Kit Rachel Sanny Dick Phill and Young Kit
which is to be equally divided amongst my four Youngest Children

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remaining Negroes namely Old Nitt Rachel Mary Dick Phill and Young Nitt
which is to be equally divided amongst my five youngest Children at that time
the five Negroes Slaves to my beloved wife it is my Will that they and their increase
be equally divided at her death amongst my five youngest Children Slaves to
my beloved wife the third of all my household and kitchen Furniture also
the third of all my Horses Cattle Sheep and Hogs the remainder of both to be equally
divided amongst my five youngest Children after my Wifes death her part
to be equally divided amongst the five said Children lastly I nominate executor
and Appoint my beloved wife to be my Executor and my trusty Friend William
Williams my Brother William Chandler Executors of this my last Will &
Testament hereby revoking all others in Witness whereof I have hereunto set my
hand and Affixed my seal this fourth day of December 1784

Signed Sealed and

Delivered in the presence of

James Lewis Benjamin Perkins

Benjamin Walcott

Robert Chandler

Seal

At a Court held for Halifax County the 23rd day of July 1792 the within last
Will and Testament of Robert Chandler dec^d was Exhibited in Court and proved by the
Oath of One Witness and Ordered to be Recorded And at an other Court held for said
County the 2nd day of September 1792 the same was further proved by the Oath of
one other Witness and Ordered to be Recorded And William Williams One of the
Executors named in the said Will refused to take upon himself the burden of the
Executorship aforesaid. And at an other Court held for said County the 23rd day of
October 1792 On the motion of Mary Williams the other of the Executors in said
Will mentioned came into Court and having taken the Oath by Law prescribed
Certificate for obtaining Probate of said Will in due form is Granted her she
giving security whereupon she together with James Eastham William Abbott
Edward Eastham John Yeates William Chandler Joel Clarke & Harrison
by her securities entered into And Acknowledged bond According to Law
Examin'd

Truly Recorded

Teste Geo. Harringtone C. C.

Teste

W. Thompson C. C.