

James Thomas
Will

I Thomas James of Halifax County being in perfect Sense and Memory thanks be
God for it and falling to mind the uncertainty of this life do make and publish my
my last Will and Testament in manner and form following first and principally
desire that all my Just Debts may be paid after what and my funeral Expenses being a
paid as touching my realty Estate wherein it hath pleased God to bless me with I give
and Devise and Dispose of the same as follows to wit. I give and Devise that my loving
Wife Francis shall have Two hundred and twenty five Acres of Land being One half
the Tract I now live on ^{Halifax County, Virginia Wills 1792-1797} ^{www.virginiapioneers.net} containing about 400 acres and all the Improvements thereon
During her natural life and after her Decease I give and Devise the same to my Son Moore
James to have his heirs and Assigns forever. I also give and bequeath to my said Wife
all my Stocks of Horses Cattle Sheep hogs Henshats Goods and plantation of every
kind whatsoever and also I give my said wife Besides what I have already mentioned
Every Negro that I am possessed with During her natural life and after her Decease
I give and Devise that my son John James shall have my Negroes Stephen Lucy
and Little Rose with their future increase if any so long as he lives and after his

Death to be equally divided Between his Child in them their heirs and Offspring forever
I also Desire that my son Nath^l Jones shall have my Negro Girl Delcy and her
future Increase increase to him and his heirs forever also I Desire that he shall have
forty pounds out of my personal Estate besides in his behalf also I Desire
that my son Arthur Jones shall have my Negro Woman Murren and Fells and
Two thousand Weight of Tobacco that I send my son Moore Jones to give him
in part of his Legacy to him his heirs and Offspring forever I also Desire that my
Daughter Sally Jones shall have my Negro Woman also Kate and Dicy with them
and their future Increase to her her heirs and Offspring forever I also Bequeath to my
Daughter Polly Foulkes my Negro Girl (slave with her future increase and my
Negro boy Lige to her and the heirs of her Body forever and also I Desire that my son
Moore Jones shall have my Negro Boy Isaac and my Girl Fells to him his heirs
forever likewise I give unto my Grand Daughter Nancy Jones Daughter of my
Daughter Frances Jones my Negro Girl Betty her and her future Increase of my
to her and the heirs of her Body forever I also Give and Bequeath to my son Nath^l
Jones three hundred and forty eight Acres land on the North bank of River bank

to him his Heirs and assigns forever and also I give and Devise to my son Andrew Torian
the Remainder a part of my Land I now live on to him his heirs and assigns forever
and there is two hundred ^{and fifty two} Acres of Land Accuracy that I bought of Hugh Mayberry I
Devise shall be sold and the money Equally Divided Between my two Daughters Sally
Torian and Pally Foulkes to them their Heirs and assigns forever I also give my Grand
Daughter Pally Batt my Negro Boy Joe when she comes of age or Marries untill
then the Executors shall have him in their powers I also Devise that my Grandson Thos
Batt may have fifteen ^{Halifax County, Virginia Wills 1792-1797} ^{www.virginiapioneers.net} ~~hundred~~ Acres out of my Estate and put to him till he comes of
age to him his Heirs and assigns forever and Sally I institute and appoint my
said Wife Executrix and my son John Torian and my son in Law Andrew Torian
Executors of this my Last Will and Testament hereby Revoking all other Wills Gifts or
bequests by me made in any manner heretofore made Ratifying and confirming this
and no other to be my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set
my hand and affixed my seal twenty second Day of October One thousand seven
hundred and Ninety three

Teste

Thomas Torian

now with
his attorney
say in the
presence of
M. G. G.

also bond with Thomas Stewart Thomas Stewart
sum of \$1000.
Dec 1794

and Richard to be the last
Will and Testament of the said
Testator in presence of -

James Baker William Hall
Joseph Nash

At a Court held for Halifax County the 27 day of January 1794
The within Written Last Will and Testament of Thomas Jones dec'd was Exhibited in
Court by John Jones one of the Exors therein named and the same was proved by the
Oaths of three Witnesses Shenandoah County, Virginia Wills 1790-1797
www.virginiapioneers.net to be the Will and Will of the said Thomas &
Proved to be Valid and on the motion of the said Executor who made Oath thereof
Certificate was granted here for obtaining probate hereof in due form he giving Security
whereupon he together with Nathaniel Terry John Higgins and John Hendley his
Executors entered into & acknowledged that Bond in the penalty of £4000 (four thousand
as the said debts & debts being assumed in the other Exors to join in the probate
when they shall be caused
Examined

Truly Recorded

Teste J. Thompson Clerk
Date W Thompson Clk