

In the name of God amen I William Samson of the County of Halifax and parish of Anttrim being of a law State
of health in body but of a sound understanding and memory, and calling to mind the shortness of life and certainty of death
do constitute this my last Will and Testament and desire it to be record by all men as such, First & principally
I bequeath my soul to God who gave it and my body to be buried at the discretion of my loving wife, and as to my worldly
Estate which it has pleased God to bless me with it is my will and desire that all my just debts be first paid and then the
balance of my Estate to be divided as followeth — Imprimis, To my daughter Martha Moon I bequeath
all the money due her by her husband John Moon it being thirty pounds Virginia Currency — To my daughter Mary
Twidwell I bequeath five shillings Sterling to be paid her by my Executors — To my daughter Judith Samson I bequeath one
cow and calf one feather bed and furniture — To my daughter Sarah I bequeath one head and furniture —
To my Well beloved wife Sissy Samson I will and bequeath all my negroes, horses, cattle, hogs, sheep, plantation utensils,
household and kitchen furniture with every part of my Estate not before bequeathed together with my land and
all my debts to be hers during her natural life and widowhood, and after her decease or marriage it is my will and desire that
my land be equally divided between my son Francis Samson and my Grandson George Twidwell, and I do hereby will and
bequeath it to them to be theirs and at their disposal after the death or marriage of my beloved wife Sissy aforesaid —
Imprimis. It further is my will desire that my negroes which I have hereby given to my wife Sissy during her life and
widowhood after her decease or marriage be equally divided among my three children. Namely Francis Samson, Judith
Samson and Elisabeth Snowdy and I do hereby will and bequeath them together with all their increase to my three
children aforesaid — to be to be theirs and at their disposal forever, immediately after the death or marriage

cow and calf one feather bed and furniture --- To my daughter Elisabeth Snowdy Heywath one bed and furniture.

To my Well beloved wife Senny Samson I will and bequeath all my negroes horses cattle, hogs, sheep, plantation utensils household and kitchen furniture with every part of my Estate not before bequeathed together with my land and all my debts to be hers during her natural life and widowhood, and after her decease or marriage it is my will and desire that my land be equally divided between my son Francis Samson and my grandson George Twidwell, and I do hereby will and bequeath it to them to be theirs and at their disposal after the death or marriage of my beloved wife Senny aff. &c.

Imprimis. It further is my will desire that my negroes which I have hereby given to my wife Senny during her life and widowhood after her decease or marriage be equally divided among my three children: Namely Francis Samson, Judith Samson and Elisabeth Snowdy and I do hereby will and bequeath them together with all their increase to my three children aforesaid - to be to be theirs and at their disposal forever, immediately after the death or marriage

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of their mother - also the balance of my Estate consisting of horses cattle &c household furniture and plantation utensils together with all and every part of my personal Estate which I have hereby bequeathed to my beloved wife Senny Samson after her death or marriage it is my will and desire that it be equally divided among my three children namely Francis Samson, Judith Samson and Elisabeth Snowdy and I do hereby will and bequeath it to them to be theirs and at their disposal forever immediately after the death or marriage of my wife Senny aff. &c. It further is my will and earnest desire that my respectable friends Thomas Pugh and John Chapman be executors to this my last will & Testament. Given under my hand and seal this twenty second day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred

and thirty three
Signed Seal acknowledged by William Samson as his last will & Testament
the day and year aforesaid, In presence of us who were witnesses
James Pustons Thomas Pugh John Chapman William Abner

William Samson

September Court 1803

At a Court held for Halifax County the 25th day of July 1803—

The within written Last Will and Testament of William Samson deceased was exhibited in Court and proved by the oath of one of the witnesses thereto subscribed and ordered to be certified — And at another Court held for the said County the 26th day of September 1803 — The same was again exhibited in Court — and further proved by the oath of one other of the Witnesses thereto subscribed — and ordered to be recorded — And on the motion of Thomas Dickson one of the Executors therein named — who made oath according to law: Certificate is granted him for obtaining probat thereof in due form —

Binding Security — Whereupon he together with Joseph Petty and Thomas A. Powell his securities — entered into, and acknowledged their bond in the penalty of ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~thousand dollars~~ ^{Halifax County Virginia Wills 1798-1804} www.virginiapioneers.net Conditioned as the law directs

Truly Recorded.. *in*
Sub, Samuel Williams D.C. H.C.

Teste John Warrick C. H. C.

Agreeable to an order of the Court of Halifax County to be executed in the Subscribers have appraised the Estate of James Jones dec^d as followeth, to Wit, at the decedants plantation in Halifax 30th July 1803

15 Negroes

9 head of horses

33 head of Cattle

£ 100
 1340: — —

210: — —

100: — —