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William Cook plishers and all claiming or to claim in by from or under  
them or any of them shall & will warrant & defend by these presents to  
In witness whereof the said William Cook hath hereunto put his hand  
and affixt his seal the day & year first above written.

Signed sealed & delivered in presence of us. William W. Cook. Seal.  
Wm. Godall William Trigg John Williamson. mark.

Attestorandum. That on the fifteenth day of October 1744 present  
the said William Cook in possession of the Land & premises within granted & sold was  
had & taken by the within named William Cook & by him delivered to  
the within named John Brown as the usual symbols of livery &  
sign according to the form & effect of the within deed.

Signed sealed & delivered in presence of us. William W. Cook. Seal.  
Wm. Godall William Trigg John Williamson mark.

At a court held for Yorkland County October 16, 1744.  
William Cook acknowledged this deed with the livery of lawn in witness  
to be his act and deed which was ordered to be recorded.

In the name of God amen I Nicholas Morris son of Hanover  
County in the Colony of Virginia knowing the time & day of my death  
comake and Ordain this to be my last Will and Testamant in manner  
and form following.

In witness I do give my soul to Almighty God who gave it unto me & hoping through  
the merit of my Blessed Saviour Jesus Christ to obtain pardon and remis-  
sion for all my sins, and my Body to be decently interred at the Corrections  
of my Executors hereafter named but not with any pompe or show, and as  
for my worldly Estates wherewithal I beseeched Almighty God to bless me  
with I give it as followeth after all my just debts be paid.

Item. I do give and bequeath unto my Grand Daughter Judith Littlepage four  
hundred and fifty acres of land in King William County over against  
my son William Morris others plantation together with the Servants and  
Servitors as also eleven Negro Slaves viz. Bill, Coby, Lucy, Jimmy, Betty,  
Will, Aggy, Vilot, Abby, John, Sarah, with th  
<sup>fourth</sup> acre & one acre & a half at a corner  
now on the said Land to her and the said  
of her body lawfully begotten  
and if it should please God that she should die without lawful heirs of  
her body or if she should have heirs of her body and they should die  
without heirs of their body so that when over the heirs of their body should  
fail then I do give and bequeath unto my son William Morris the

abovesaid four hundred and fifty nine acres of land together with the plantation to him and his heirs forever. Also I do give unto my two Sons William Morinether and David Morinether the abovesaid Negro Slaves together with their fitter Jurisafe to be equally divided between them and their heirs forever.

Item. I do give and bequeath unto my grand daughter Judith Littlepage two mullato boys by name Charles and Fanny to be delivered over at her marriage or within she shall come to the age of twenty one years and to the heirs of her Body lawfully begotten and in case my said grand daughter should die without having such heirs, then I do give the abovesaid two mullato boys Charles and Fanny to my grandson John Morinether and to his heirs forever.

Item. I do give and bequeath unto my daughter Ann Johnson the Land and plantation where she formerly lived on the east side of the branch that parts it and the Land I bought of Edward Alip being about five hundred and thirty acres during her natural life and after her decease I do give and bequeath the said Land to my grandson William Johnson son to my above said daughter Ann and to the heirs of her Body lawfully begotten and in case he fails of such heir then I do give and <http://virginiapioneers.com> Land to my son William Morinether and to his heirs forever.

Item. I give and bequeath to my daughter Ann Johnson my plantation commonly ... and known by the name of Roundabout together with there hundred acres of land to her and her heirs forever.

Item. I give and bequeath to my grandson Nicholas Lewis the son of Mr. Robert Lewis my plantation and land wherou I now live containing by patent one thousand and twenty acres together with one hundred and nineteen acres part of a quarter tract bought of Thomas Graves to be laid off in the most convenient manner a joining to the thousand and twenty acres before mentioned to him the said Nicholas and his heirs forever.

Item. I give and bequeath unto my above said grandson Nicholas Lewis one Negro boy of about six years of age to be delivered at the division of my slaves hereafter mentioned to him and his heirs forever likewise I give unto my said grandson Nicholas Lewis twenty head of meat cattle and two my hogs to be delivered him after my Wifes death that is to say ten head of cattle and ten head of hogs to be delivered from the plantation where I now live and ten head of cattle and ten head of hogs from off the plantation whereon Robert Dalton formerly lived to him and his heirs forever.

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- Item. I give and bequeath unto my grandson Richard Atteriwother son of my son William Atteriwother seven hundred acres of land in the County of Roanoke it being part of eight hundred and nineteen acres bought of Thomas Graves to him and his heirs forever.
- Item. I give and bequeath unto my son David Atteriwother my flock plantation he now lives on together with four hundred acres of land to him and his heirs forever.
- Item. I give and bequeath to Mildred Atteriwother daughter of Nicholas Atteriwother deceased one Negroe girl of about her own age to be delivered her at the division of my slaves hereafter mentioned to her and her heirs forever.
- Item. I do give and bequeath unto my loving wife Elizabeth Atteriwother One hundred pounds Sterling money of Great Britain together with what new goods and plates I shall have in my house at my death to her and her heirs forever.
- Item. I do give and bequeath unto my son in law Mr Robert Lewis Fifteen hundred acres of land where he now lives according to the several courses as it is laid off to him as it will appear by a bed recorder in Hanover Court to him and his heirs forever.
- I do leave unto my loving wife Elizabeth Atteriwother twelve working Negros and two Negroe girls she having her choice also all my household goods and twenty head of neat cattle and twenty head of dogs young and old and all my working horses & th four slaves breeding slaves during her natural life and at her death I do give and bequeath the said above mentioned fourteen Negros and their increase to be equally divided between my seven grandsons and three grand daughters viz John Atteriwother Thomas Atteriwother Richard Atteriwother Jane Atteriwother Sarah Atteriwother and Mary Atteriwother sons and daughters of William Atteriwother and to Nicholas Atteriwother brothers Atteriwother James Atteriwother and William Atteriwother sons of David Atteriwother and to the heirs of their bodies forever, and in case either of my above said grandchildren above mentioned should die before they should come to lawfull age or have none of their body lawfully begotten then their part of the said fourteenth slaves with their increase to go to the survivors of them as also I do give and bequeath unto my said seven grandsons and three grand daughters after the death of my wife what of the stock of dogs cattle horses and slaves and waggons shall be left of my household goods to be equally divided between them and their heirs for ever and in case either of them should die before they attain to lawfull

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age or married then their intended part to go to the survivors of them and their heirs forever.

Item. I do give and bequeath unto Mary Lewis Daughter of m<sup>r</sup>. Robert Lewis one Negro girl of near her age to her and her heirs forever.

Item. I do give and bequeath unto Mildred Lewis Daughter of m<sup>r</sup>. Robt Lewis one Negro girl of near her age to her and her heirs forever.

Item. I do give and bequeath unto Robert Lewis Son of m<sup>r</sup>. Robert Lewis a Negro boy of near his age to him and his heirs forever.

Item. I do give and bequeath unto Isabellar Lewis Daughter of m<sup>r</sup>. Robert Lewis one Negro girl near her age to her and her heirs forever.

Item. I do give and bequeath unto Nicholas Meriwether Son of my grandson Thomas Meriwether a Negro boy about his age to him and his heirs forever.

Item. I do give and bequeath unto my grand daughter Elizabeth Bray two Negro boys by name Tom Son to old Tom that I bought of James Braxhall and Tom Son to Tom and Doll his wife to be delivered her at her marriage or when she shall come to full age and if she should die before marriage or before she shall come to twenty or years of age then I do give the above said two negro boys to my grand son Nicholas Meriwether and to his heirs forever.

October 1743 I have delivered those two men Philip Tolifson her husband gives and squatters unto John Meriwether Son to my son William Meriwether two thousand acres of land that is laid off next his Brother Nicholas Meriwether deceased including where his Quarter is built to him and his heirs forever.

Item. I do give and bequeath unto my grandson Nicholas Meriwether Son to my son David Meriwether two thousand acres of land joining to John Meriwether's line and to include the plantation wherein he now lives to him and his heirs forever.

Item. I do give and bequeath unto my grandson Francis Meriwether Son to my son David Meriwether all that land that lies between m<sup>r</sup>. Robert Lewis's line and Nicholas Meriwether deceased line being about sixteen hundred acres to be the same more or less to him and his heirs forever.

Item. I do give and bequeath unto my grandson James Meriwether Son to my son David Meriwether eleven hundred and fifty acres of land that is on the Boarddams where old Coby lives to him and his heirs forever.

Item. I do give and bequeath unto my grandson William Meriwether Son to my son David Meriwether two hundred and seventy acres

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- of land that lies between m<sup>r</sup>. Robert Lewis's line and cap<sup>t</sup>. The Meriwether  
is his being the place where old Jack lived to him and his heirs for  
ever.
- Item. I do give and bequeath unto my grandson Thomas Meriwether Son to  
my son William Meriwether after my Wives Death all the Land that  
I have below Nicholas Meriwethers line of my first Mountain  
Survey to m<sup>r</sup>. Robert Lewis's line that he bought of cap<sup>t</sup>. Christopher  
Clark to him and his heirs forever.
- Item. I do give and bequeath unto my grandson William Meriwether Son to  
my son David Meriwether four hundred and fifty acres of Land that  
his Father had a quarter on to him and his heirs forever
- Item. I do give and bequeath unto my grandson Richard Meriwether Son  
to my son William Meriwether my Quarter and Land where negro  
Family lives that I bought of Edward Dix with some more Land -  
added to it in all about three hundred acres to him and his heir for  
ever.
- Item. I do give and bequeath unto Catharine Dolladay Daughter of cap<sup>t</sup>.  
William Dolladay who now lives with m<sup>r</sup>. Pitt King William  
County Twenty six Shillings currant money to be or when at  
age or married.
- Item. I do give and bequeath unto Jane Lewis Daughter of Robert Lewis  
Twenty five pounds Sterling money of Great Britain
- Item. I do give and bequeath unto my seven grandsons and neyland Daugh-  
ters viz, John Meriwether Thomas Meriwether Richard Meriwether  
or Jane Meriwether Sarah Meriwether and Mary Meriwether Sons  
and Daughters of my son William Meriwether and Nicholas  
Meriwether Fraunces Meriwether James Meriwether and William  
Meriwether Sons of my son David Meriwether all my Negro Slaves  
that I have not yet disposed of to be Equally divided between them and  
their heirs forever as also I do give and bequeath unto my ten grand  
children viz, John Meriwether Thomas Meriwether Jane  
Meriwether Sarah Meriwether and Mary Meriwether Sons and  
Daughters of William Meriwether and Nicholas Meriwether Fraunces  
Meriwether James Meriwether and William Meriwether Sons of  
David Meriwether all my Stocks of Sodogs and cattle sheep and Hains  
that I have not yet disposed of to be equally divided between my ten -  
grandchildren above mentioned and if any of my said grand children  
should die before they come to lawfull age or marriage, then their intended  
part to go to the survivors and their heirs forever, that is I mean the Negros  
and their Inwards abovementioned to go to the survivors as well as the  
Stock.

Item. My Will and Desire is that the aforesaid Slaves and Stocks be at loss of my  
Ten Grand Children before mentioned they having the profits as also  
my Will and Desire is that when the first of my Ten Grand Children comes  
to Lawfull age that then the above mentioned Slaves and Stocks be  
divided in Ten Equal Lots provided all my said Ten Grand Children shall  
be alive (if not) the Lots to be to each Childs part so living, and that  
my Sons William & Meriwether David & Meriwether and m<sup>r</sup>. Robert  
Lewis do lay of the same Lots and each Child to draw according to the  
Direction of my said three Sons as also at the Death of my abovesaid  
Wife that my aforesaid two Sons and my Son in Law m<sup>r</sup>. Robert Lewis  
may divide what aforesaid Slaves Stocks or household goods shall be left at  
her death and also for my before mentioned ten Grand Children to  
draw Equal Lots for the same as before mentioned.

Item. It is my Will and meaning is that the four Negro Slaves Virginian  
Sisco Sicc and Lucy which I have already deliveredd to my Grandson  
Nicholas Meriwether Son of David Meriwether be Retained  
and Attest toed part of the abovesaid Devide and whiche is to be here  
after amongst my Ten Grand Children But if either of his  
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sons John Meriwether Son of William Meriwether viz, Dick a negro  
man and Lucy a negro woman be Retained and accounted in part  
of the abovesaid Devide and whiche is to be here after made amongst  
my Ten Grand Children but if his negro Woman Lucy has or should  
have any children between my Delivering them to my said Grand  
Son and the Devide here after to be made by my Sons as aforesaid  
amongst my said Grand Children that then it is my Desire that the  
abovesaid John Meriwether should not be accountable for those  
children to the abovesaid Devide but Enjoy them as his own proper  
estate.

Item. I alsoe do give and bequeath unto my said Grandson John Meriwether  
Son of my Son William Meriwether two other negroes viz, Robin a  
negro man and Judith a negro woman whiche he has now in possession  
to him and his heirs forever.

It is my will by these that the above two negroes viz, Robin and Judith

be it saved and accounted in part of the aforesaid Devideant which is  
to be hereafter made amongst my ten grand children but if this weare  
to doth should have any children between my Delivering her to my  
said grandson and the Division hereafter to be made by my Sons as  
aforesaid amongst my said ten grand children that then it is my  
desire that the abovesaid John Meriwether should not be accountable  
for those children to the above said Estate but enjoy them as his  
own proper Estate.

Item. I do give and bequeath unto my son in law Mr. Robert Lewis fifty  
pounds Sterling money of Great Britain

Item. At my Will and desche is that my Estate be not brought to an Appraisement  
lastly I do leavestate appoint and Ordain my loving Wife Elizabeth  
Meriwether and my son in law Mr. Robert Lewis Executor and  
Executor of this my Last Will and Testament revoking all other  
Wills by me made before this Day As witness my hand and Seal  
this 12<sup>th</sup> Day of December 1743.

Signed Sealed and Delivered in the presence of. Nicholas Meriwether, Seal.

Det. Jefferson James Dalton.

George Taylor Chas. Lynch.

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At a Court held for Roanoke County Courant. 1744.

Peter Jefferson Charles Lynch and Samuel Dalton moved this -  
Writing to be the Last Will and Testament of Elizabeth Meriwether  
gent. Desearfed which was Ordered to be Recorded.

Test. James Dalton Esq.

This Indenture made and concluded this 20<sup>th</sup> Day of November  
in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and forty four between  
James Ferguson of Roanoke County of the one part and David Parish of  
the same County of the other witnesseth that the aforesaid James Ferguson  
for the Valuest Consideration of Twenty pounds Current money to him in  
hand paid the receipt whereof he doth hereby acknowledge and there  
with himself fully satisfied hath bargained sold all und granteend  
unoffed and confirmed and in and by these presents doth bargain sell  
all her grant unoff and confirm unto the aforesaid David Parish his  
heirs and assigns forever one tract or parcel of Land situate lying being  
in Roanoke County and of the North side of James River and on the  
Branches of Lickinghole Creek and bounded as followeth to wit,