

In the name of God Amen. I William Burroughs of Henrico County and
of the Parish of Varina being of good health of body and of sound and perfect
mind and memory praise be therefor given to Almighty God, do make and ordain
this my last will and Testament in manner and form following. (That is to say)
first and principally I commend my soule into the hands of Almighty God hoping
through the merits death and passion of my Saviour Jesus Christ to have full and
free pardon and forgiveness of all my sins, and to inherit everlasting life and my
body I commit to the Earth to be decently buried at the discretion of my Executor here
after named and touching the disposition of all such temporall Estats as it hath pleased
Almighty God to bestow upon me, I give and dispose thereof as followeth. I give and
bequeath unto John Branch the son of Mathew Branch my Negro Man
named Phill and it is my desire that after the said John Branch arrives to the
Age of Seaventeen Years that he shall have the benefit of the said Negro labour and
whosoever shall be Guardian or Overseer to the said John Branch shall preserve
and convert to the use of the said John Branch what shall accrue by the abovesaid
Negro labour till the said John Branch comes to full Age. likewise I give and bequeath
unto the said John Branch the halfe of my Cattle and hogs male and female and their
Increase also I give and bequeath unto the said John Branch five powder diffies half
a dozen of plates a bason two Iron Pots and pothooks and a Spitt and a brass candlestick
and a frying pan, the abovesaid Negro and Cattle and hogs and household goods that I
have bequeathed unto the said John Branch is to him and his heirs, and it is my will and
desire that when the said John Branch arrives to the Age of Seaventeen Years that if
he thinketh fit to take the said Negro into his own custody he may be admitted to do it
but it is my will and desire that the said John Branch shall not sell nor dispose
of the Negro he bring for the use of him and his heirs, and all the rest and residue
of my real and personall Estate I give and bequeath unto Mathew Branch his heirs
&c. whom I do make and Appoint as my sole Executor of this my last will and
Testament, and I do hereby revoke disannull and make void all former wills and Testa-
ments by me heretofore made In witness whereof I have unto self my hand
and Seal this 14th day of Jan^r 1710

Signed Sealed and Delivered
In presence of us ~~~~~

William ^{mark} W^B Burroughs Seal

J^r Drinkwater
John Blackman
James Branch
Robert Goode

At a Court held for Henrico County the 6th day of May 1717

This will was proved by the Oaths of James Branch and Robert Goode two of
the witnesses thereto, and thereupon admitted to Record.

Test William Randolph Clerk