

In the Name of God Amen this 17th Day of Janly 1726/7 I Charles Ballow planter of the parish and County of Henrico being weak of body but of sound mind and perfect memory praised be the almighty God for the same do make ordain and appoint this my last will and Testament in manner and form following first and principally I Recommend my soul to God that gave it Hoping thro his merits and mediation of Jesus Christ my Saviour and Redeemer to receive full pardon for all my sins and my body to the Earth from whence it was taken to be buried in such manner as my Executor Hereafter named shall think fit and as for such worldly goods as it hath pleased God to Endow me with I do give and bequeath as followeth. And first my will and Desire is that all my just Debts be satisfied and paid. Item I give and bequeath to my son Charles Ballow all my Land on the upper side of Cornelius Creek to be possess therewith at the age of twenty years also I give my s. son a feather bed and covering the value of five pounds Curr^t money an Iron post with Hooks & rack and my negro boy Joe after the Death of my wife; and three plates; all but the negro to be paid him at the age of twenty years my will is that he shall have two years schooling after he is ten years old. Item I give and bequeath my Daughter Sarah Ballow a new feather bed which is made with Virginia feathers with the covering as is used on it and also a young mare called Bonny to be taken into her possession at my Death. Item I give and bequeath my Daughter Tabitha Ballow my feather bed that hath narrow striped Tick with all the furniture belonging to it and also a cow and calf. Item I give and bequeath to my three youngest Daughters Elizabeth Phoebe and Mary five pounds to each of them to be paid in a store convenient and also each of them a cow and calf my will is that all the Legacies given to my Daughters be paid them as they arrive to the age of twenty years or sooner if married and my will is that if any of my Daughters should die before they are possess with the Legacies given them that such Legacies or Legacies shall be enjoyed by my afores^d son Charles Ballow Item I give my loving wife my Negro boy Joe during her natural life Item I give my loving wife Tabitha all my Lands below Cornelius Creek with all Houses and appurtenances thereunto belonging during her natural life and after her Death I give and bequeath the said Lands with all other Lands that I shall be possess with at my Death to my son Charles Ballow and to his heirs for ever Item I do give unto my child which my wife now thinks she goes with one Shilling Sterr money. Lastly and all the rest of my Estate of what quality soever that is not mentioned in this will I give and bequeath unto my loving wife Tabitha and to her disposing and do constitute and appoint my said wife whole and sole Executrix of this my last will and Testament thereby revoking all other wills by me formerly made in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and Date above mentioned

Signed Sealed and Declared
in the presence of
John F. Giles. Thomas (suz?)
Charles Griffith

Cha: Ballow Seal
At a Court hold for Henrico County September 4: 1726
This will was proved by the oaths of the witnesses thereto and
was thereupon admitted to record.

Wm. Henry Wood