

Henry Clay, the mark of Allason Clark
Sam. W. Soane.

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At a court held for Henrico County July 4th 1726.

This will was proved by the oaths of Henry Clay and Allason Clark and was thereupon Admitted
to Record.

Test. Henry Wood

In the Name of God Amen December 15th in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred
twenty five and in the ^{ninth} year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord George of Great Britain and Ireland
King of Great Britain. Whereas I Matthew Branch Son of the County of Henrico being in perfect and sound
memory thanks be to God Although not in perfect health Do hereby ordain constitute and appoint this my
Last will & Testament as in manner following Imprimis I resign up my Soul to Almighty God God-
-ly believing in the merits of Jesus Christ my Redeemer and my body to be disposed by
and at the Discretion of my Executrick hereafter named as to my worldly Effects what it hath pleased
God to bestow upon mee after my Debts and funeral Charges are paid I give and bequeath as followeth
Item I give and bequeath to my Son Matthew Branch my plantation I now dwell on to him and his Heirs
for ever only I give my Loving wife the Lower half with the Dwelling House I now live in during her
Natural life and the half of the out Houses Likewise I give to my Son Matthew my Land which
Lyes on the head of my Brother Thomas Branch & I give to my Brother James Comonly called
Berbades I also give him a piece of Land Joyning to John Blackmans Land which he bought
of m^r. John Cullitt and doe to Grindolls run to him and his Heirs for ever only my wife to have
previdges on my Son Matthews Land both here and att berbados to get Timber and fencing
for building and keeping in repaire the plantation I now live on I give my son John
Branch the whole part of the Land taken up between my brother James and my self to him the
John Branch and his Heirs for ever I give unto my son Olive and Daniell Branch
my Land that I bought of m^r. John Cullitt and it is my will that that the said Land be Equal-
-ly Divided and that my Son Olive should have that part next to pos white and that Daniell

Shall have the other part next to the rocky Creek and in case that either the s^r. Oliver or Daniel should
 Die in their non age one before the other that the s^r.s surviving person shall possess and Enjoy the
 whole tract of Land to him and his Heirs for ever and alsoe if both shall Live to Enjoy their Equall
 part of the Land itt shall be to them and their Heirs for ever I Give my son Thomas Branch
 one hundred and fifty acres of Land which I took up with Cap^t. Jefferson. Thomas Harris
 and Thomas Turpin to him and his Heirs for ever I Give likewise I Give my son Oliver a
 Grey Colt two years old with a white face likewise I Give my son Thomas a blacke Colt a year old
 with wall Eyes, and white blaze in his face to them and their Exor^s. Heirs or assigns I Give my
 Daughter phoebe Branch a bay Mare dark colored to her and her Heirs for ever I Give my
 Daughter Elizabeth Branch a bay mare commonly call^d. pinch to her and her Heirs for ever
 I Give all the rest of my Estate I Leave with my wife to be Disposed of among my Children as she
 pleases or thinks fitt and I Doe hereby make my Loving wife whole and sole Exorutrix of this
 my Last will and Testament In witness whereof I have hereunto put my hand and Seal this day
 and Date above mentioned.

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Matthew Branch Seal.

presence of.

Thomas Harris Jun^r. Ralph ^{his} G Bourgeois
 Charles Gyeiffith. _{mark}

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An Appraisment

An Inventory of the Estate of Richard Martin Deceased this 3^d. Day of
 November 1725.

To a parcel of Shotes	£ 10 " "	To a Stock of bees	£ 4 " "
To eight Sheep	1 " 12 " "	To thirty eight pounds of powder	1 " 8 " 6 "
To a very old Horse	" 10 " "	To fourteen pounds of powder	" 15 " 2 "
To eight head of cattle	" 6 " "	To five pair of Shoss	" 5 " "
		To wearing Cloaths	10