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Being perfect in health and in years in years and in years
I hereby make this my last will and testament that my fifty

Acres of Land in Watsons field be sold and the money of my personal
Estate as will pay my Debts. I then give unto my wife for and

during her natural life and no longer, one half of the two hundred
and fifty Acres of Land wherof I now live being that part where

the houses stand, Also the use of the personal Estate hereafter that
remains after paying my Debts until my son John Woodson

Ellis shall arrive to the age of twenty one, and in consideration of
the above bequest, I Order that my wife shall Reared, Educate &

maintain my said son and daughter until of age -
I then give unto my son John Woodson Ellis & my daughter

Catharine Ellis all my Negroes & personal Estate to be equally
divided between them on his arriving to the age of twenty one

and to their Heirs forever. I then I give unto my son John Woodson

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within three years after the death of this mother the father sum of
eighty pounds current money and in case of failure her coming to
recovery of to be unlike manner as is mentioned to recover the security
before the name of her the sum to take the other portion but should they both die without issue
should either of them die without issue their Heirs or assigns of age

I then give all the personal Estate to my wife her Land as in
succession left to my son to be equally divided at the death of my wife
between my two brothers William & Robert Ellis their Heirs & assigns
forever & I Order them to pay in consideration to my two sisters Julia &
Catherine Ellis twenty pounds Sterling to each of them their Heirs
and assigns I desire that my wife will act Executrix and my
brothers James through Pleasants Howe Executors Sealed with
my Seal & Dated this 25th of February 1771

Signified
in the presence of

Geo. Ellis

Brooks
for Pleasants

Henrico County Court March 25th 1771

John Pleasant
for Pleasant

This Will was proved by the Oath of John Pleasant and
affirmation of John Pleasant the witnesses were
admitted to Records The Court entered into bond
received Affirmation of John Pleasant as
certificates for Probate was granted thereunder
form

John Pleasant

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At a Court held for Henrico County at the Court house in Richmond the 4th day
of November 1784

John Pleasant
This is a true Copy of the original Will of John Pleasant (the testator and
executor of which probate was granted by the Court)

and that the same is a true and correct Copy of the original
and is to be Recorded

John Pleasant

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