

At a Court held for the County of Wigt

County the 25th day of July 1726.

The above Inventory and appraisement of the Estate of John Thomas dec^d was presented in Court by the Exor and admitted to Record.

Edw James Esq Cur^r

was Recorder Edw James Esq Cur^r

In the Name of God Amen Hobnary the 25th 1726th I Joseph Copeland of the Isle of Wight County being indisposed in body out of sound and perfect mind and memory do make this my last will and Testament in writing as follows to wit

Item I first recommend my soul to God that gave it me trusting by the merits of my Saviour Christ to attain to the resurrection of life my body to be decently buried at the discretion of my Exors hereafter named and for such Estate as God hath intrusted me with I give as follows

Item I give and bequeath unto my loving wife Mary Copeland one negro woman named Moll to her and her heirs for ever I likewise give her her riding horse and saddle and bridle.

Item I give and bequeath unto my son John Copeland one negro boy called Robin to him and his heirs for ever and I likewise give him my pistols holsters and silver belt sword I give and bequeath unto my son John three hog heads of t^o I have shipped on board Capt Murren for to purchase a still of forty five Gallons and all necessaries belonging to a still and if the t^o sent doth not clear the still my will is that my son John shall pay the remainder out of his Estate my wife having half the use of the said still during her natural life.

Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Elizabeth Copeland one negro boy named Sam and one negro girl named Anne which two negroes I give to her and her heirs for ever and also one gold ring the gold being as God decreed so we agreed.

Item I give and bequeath unto my son Thomas Copeland two negro girls named Inda and Lolo to him and his heirs for ever and I give him my silver head band.

And my will is that the remainder of my crop and provision killed into my house be for the support of my loving wife and family and the remainder of my Estate I desire may be appraised & equally divided between my loving wife and children my last debt being in the first place paid and I do make and ordain my loving wife &c of this my last will and Testament whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 25th day of July

Joseph Copeland Seal

9 Signed sealed & delivered in the presence of Richard Webb, John Lupton, -
Michael Zischel & Thomas Zischel

At a Court hold for J. Co. of wiglit County
the 25th day of July 1736.

The last will and Testament of Joseph Copeland dec'd was presented in
Court by Henry Copeland Esq. the son named who made oaths thereto &
being proved by the oaths of Richard Webb, and Michael Zischel Jurors two
of the witnesses thereto is admitted to Record.

Esq. James Ingle Esq. Clerk.

vera Recordat. Esq. James Ingle Esq. Clerk.

In the Name of God Amen I John Bidgood Junr. of the J. Co. of
wiglit County being sick in body but of sound and perfect memory thanks
be to Almighty God and calling to remembrance the uncertain state of
this transitory life and that all flesh must yield unto Death when it
shall please God to call I make ordain and declare my last will and
Testament in manner and form following that is to say in the first
principall place I give and bequeath my soul unto Almighty God my
Saviour and redeemer in whom and by the merits of Jesus Christ I trust
and believe to have full remission and forgiveness of all my sins at the
General Day of the resurrection and my body to be decently interred after
the manner of Christian burial at the discretion of my Exors. hereafter
named and for what worldly Estate it hath been pleased Almighty God
to possess me with after my last Wills and funeral Charges is defrayed
I give bequeath and dispose of as followeth.

I give and bequeath unto my dear and loving wife Ann all my Estate, be-
it in what nature kind or quality soever for the better educating and
bringing up my children that is to say my Daughter Mary Bidgood &
my sons William, John, James & Joseph Bidgood untill they shall so-
berly arrive to the age of Eighteen years each making for my said wife
whole and sole executrix of this my last will and Testament. In testimony
of all which I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 18th day of
March 1735.

John Bidgood Junr. Esq.

Signed sealed and delivered in the presence of Joseph Copeland, Esq. Thomas

At a Court hold for J. Co. of wiglit County
the 22nd day of August 1736.

The last will and Testament of John Bidgood Junr. dec'd was presented in Court by
Ann Bidgood Esq. the son named who made oaths thereto & being proved
by the oaths of Thomas Wroon the surviving witness thereto is admitted to Record.

Esq. James Ingle Esq. Clerk.

vera Recordat. Esq. James Ingle Esq. Clerk.