

In the Name of God Amen I William Denson of the Isles of Night County, being sick and weak of Body, but mind and perfect in Memory, and since blessed by God for the same, but calling to Mind the Transience of this frail Life, do therefore think fit to make this my last Will and Testament. And first and principally I Commit my Soul to God who gave it and my Body to the Earth, from whence it was taken to be buried in a decent and Christian like Manner and it is my Desire, that after all my Debts are justly satisfied, that all my Estate both real & personal be disposed of as followeth

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Elizabeth Eley five Shillings Current Money to her and her Heirs forever

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Son Edmund Denson five Shillings Current Money to him and his Heirs forever

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Son William Denson my Negro Woman called Bath and her Increase, from the Date of this my Will, and two Negro Boys called Sampson & London to him & his Heirs forever. I also give unto my said Son, fifteen Pound Cash, which Negroes I leave in the Care of my Friend William Eley and the fifteen Pound to defray the Charge of raising the Young Negroes if need require, but if he should die before he comes to the Age of twenty one, then I Give all the aforesaid Legacy unto my Granddaughter Amy Eley and her Heirs forever

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Friend Hannah Best my Negro Boy called Dany to her and her Heirs forever

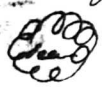
Item I Give & Bequeath unto my Son John Denson, the Plantation whereon I now live, with all the Negroes that in this County and my Negro Boy called James, to him & his Heirs forever but if he should die, before he comes to the Age of twenty one, then I Give the Plantation & Land to my Grandson Benjamin Eley and his Heirs forever

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my long Wife Ann Denson my Negro Man called Dick and my Negro Woman called Bridget, and all her Increase from this Time with all the

Residue of my movable Estate, to her and her Heirs.  
From, John Baker has the Use of the third of all my Lands  
during her natural Life.

I Request and desire, that my Friend Esme Scott may  
have the Care of the Education of my Son William Denson  
to be brought up at his Discretion.

And lastly I do Ordain, Constitute, & appoint my Wife Ann  
Denson, whole, and sole Executrix of this my last Will, and  
Testament, Revoking, and disannulling, all Wills, heretofore  
by me made, or caused to be made. In Witness whereof  
I have hereunto set my Hand and Seal, this second Day  
of July 1750.

Signed, sealed, & pronounced, W<sup>m</sup> Denson. 

to be his last Will, and  
Testament, In Presence of

William Eley, James Arthur, Miles Wills }

Margaret held for Isles of Wight County Octob. 1<sup>st</sup> 1750

The last Will and Testament of William Denson decd -  
was presented in Court by Ann Denson the Executrix -  
therein named who made Affirmation thereto and being  
proved by the Oath of James Arthur and Miles Wills two  
of the Witnesses thereto is Ordered to be Recorded

Test J<sup>es</sup> Baker etc

In the Name of God, Amen, I Daniel Day of the Isles of Wight  
County, being in reasonable Health ~~and~~ of Body and of  
good, sound and perfect Sense and Memory, blessed be God, but  
calling to Mind the Uncertainty of this frail Life, and that it  
is appointed for all Flesh to die, I therefore do make this my  
last Will, and Testament, in Manner & Form as followeth  
Item, I give, and Bequeath, unto my loving Wife, Mary Day, all my  
whole Estate, Chattels, and Household goods, to her, and at her  
disposing, And hereby revoke, and disannull, and make void, all  
former Wills, and Testaments by me heretofore made, or caused to be  
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