

*O. & D. Deacon D.C.*

I Aaron Chapman of the County of James City  
in the State of Virginia, being of sound mind, do make this my last  
Will and Testament,

1<sup>st</sup> I desire that all of my just debts shall be paid from bonds  
over me or by the of so much personal property as may be necessary for  
that purpose,

2<sup>nd</sup> I leave all my property, both real & personal to my wife Mary  
Ann R. Chapman during her life.

3<sup>rd</sup> I give at the death of my said wife, to my son Edwin O  
Chapman all of my property both real and personal.

4<sup>th</sup> I hereby nominate and appoint my wife Mary Ann R Chapman  
as Executrix of this my last will and testament, and request that she  
may be allowed to qualify without security.

In testimony whereof I the said Aaron Chapman have to  
this my last will, set my hand and affixed my seal this 19<sup>th</sup> day of  
April 1883.

Aaron Chapman *(Edwin)*

I, good sealed published and declared by the testator Aaron Chapman  
as one for his last will and testament in the presence of us, who in his  
presence, at his request, and in the presence of each other have signed

Subscribed our names as witnesses.

W. A. Meanley  
J. M. Taylor.

At a Court held for James City County, and the  
City of Williamsburg, at the Courthouse thereof  
in said City on Monday the 8<sup>th</sup> day of October.  
1883.

A writing purporting to be the last will and testament  
of Aaron Chapman deceased, bearing date on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of  
April 1883, was this day presented to Court, and upon the testimony  
of William A. Meanley and J. M. Taylor, two subscribing witnesses  
thereto, who made oath, that Aaron Chapman deceased, Sub-  
scribed and acknowledged the said writing to be his last will  
and testament, and in the presence of the testator, they the said  
William A. Meanley and J. M. Taylor, and at the request of the Testator  
and in his presence, subscribed the same as witness, which said  
writing being fully proven to the satisfaction of the court, doth  
Order that said will be recorded for the true last will and testa-  
ment of Aaron Chapman deceased.

Upon the motion of Mary A. R. Chapman by her  
Attorney, she is permitted to qualify as Executrix with the will  
annexed of Aaron Chapman deceased, whereupon she appeared in  
Court and took the usual Oaths prescribed by law. (no security  
required in accordance with the request of the will) and Entered  
into and acknowledged a bond in the penalty of Two Thousand  
Dollars. Conditioned according to law. It is ordered that letters of  
Administration be made out in due form of law for Mary A. R.  
Chapman as Executrix of Aaron Chapman deceased

Beto.

C. C. Dixon S. C.