

I Moses Moore, a free man of color, and a resident of the County of James City, and State of Virginia, being entirely sound in mind, do hereby make publish and declare this to be my true last Will and Testament hereby revoking and declaring utterly null and void all former Wills and testaments that at any time heretofore may have been made and declared by me.

Item 1st I give devise, and bequeathe unto my Wife Lettia Moore all of my estate real and personal after the payment of all my just debts, for and during the full end and term of her natural life.

Item 2nd At the death of my Wife I give and devise unto my son Berry Moore and to his heirs and assigns forever, the farm or plantation whereon I now reside.

Item 3rd I give and devise unto my daughter Mary Anna, the tract of land called "Coleman's" whereon Breasy Baker now resides, to her and heirs forever.

Item 4th I give and devise unto my son John Moore for and during his natural life the tract of land whereon he resides, at his death I give and devise the same to his two sons Barter and Benjamin and their heirs and assigns forever. The tract here spoken of consists of one Hundred acres in the whole. I do not intend however to include in this devise but fifty acres which I shall here after designate by certain metes and bounds.

Item 5th I give and bequeathe unto my son in law Robert Burrine fifty dollars.

Item 6th I give and devise unto my son in law, Cary Pointer the tract of land whereon he resides during his natural life, and at his death the same I direct to be equally divided among all of my children. The tract here spoken of is the balance of the Hundred acre tract spoken of in the 4th Item of this Will which I intend to designate hereafter by suitable metes and bounds.

Item 7th I give and devise unto my ward Elisha Wallace and to his heirs and assigns forever the tract of land containing thirty three acres which I purchased from Col. William Bush in his lifetime, and which is designated by certain marked trees, as laid off by Col. Bush. This devise is intended to be in lieu of the sum of one Hundred Dollars which I am bound to pay my said ward, when he attains the age of Manhood. If however he should refuse to accept the same in full satisfaction and discharge of what I am bound to pay him when he attains lawful age - then this devise shall be null and void and the land shall be divided equally among my children.

Item 8th If after the payment of my debts there should be any money in the hands of my Executrix hereinafter named I give the same to my wife in fee.

Item 9th The 3rd 4th and 6th devises of this Will are not to take effect until the death of my Wife.

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hands of my Executrix hereinafter named I give the same to my wife in fee -

Item 9th The 3^d, 4th and 6th devises of this will are not to take effect until the
death of my Wife -

Item 10th I appoint my wife Executrix of this my last will and testament,
and require no security of her. I wish W^m Legrus & Branch to manage all
business transactions connected with my estate - in the payment of my debts
collection of debts due me, and in the general settlement of the same -

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal on
this 16th day of December 1862 -

Signed, sealed and acknowledged by Moses Moore
last will and testament in our presence who in his
presence and in the presence of each other and at the request of the
testator attested the same
Cary Waller son
Legrus & Branch

Moses X Moore Seal
mark

At a Court held for the County of James City at the Courthouse there in the City of Williamsburg on Monday the 11th day of December in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and sixty five -

A writing purporting to be the last will and Testament of Moses Moore dec^d, bearing date on the 15th day of December 1862. Was this day presented to the Court and was proven by the oath of Cyrus A Branch, one of the subscribing Witnesses thereto who made oath that the said Moses Moore signed and acknowledged the said writing in his presence and in the presence of Cary Wilkerson, all being present at the same time and signed the same as Witnesses in the presence of the testator and the said paper being fully proven to the satisfaction of the Court was ordered to be recorded as the last will and testament of Moses Moore dec^d. And on the motion of C. A. Branch, he is permitted to qualify as administrator with the Will annexed of Moses Moore dec^d. Whereupon he took the oaths prescribed by law and together with William L. Spencer, as his security (who justified an oath as to his sufficiency) entered into and acknowledged their bond in the penalty of two hundred and fifty dollars conditioned according to Law. Thereupon it is ordered that letters of administration be granted to C. A. Branch upon the estate of Moses Moore dec^d in due form of Law.

Teste
Wm. H. Gerby clerk

I Robert P. Taylor of the County of James City and State of Virginia by the permission of Almighty God, being feeble in health but of sound mind, and considering the uncertainty of life, do make, publish and declare this my last Will and Testament as follows viz. First I leave my beloved Wife Mary Taylor my Executrix, secondly after the payment of my debts out of my personal estate, I leave to my beloved Wife Mary Taylor, for the support of herself and three youngest children viz Washington Cowles Taylor, Martha Elizabeth Taylor and Robert Taylor, during her natural life, all that remains of my real and personal estate. And at the death of my beloved wife Mary Taylor I wish for all my real estate to pass to my Daughter Martha Elizabeth Taylor with this provision viz that she provides for my son Washington Cowles Taylor a comfortable home and support during the period of his natural life. And after the death of my wife Mary Taylor I give to my sons William Taylor, Washington Cowles Taylor and Robert Taylor all my remaining personal estate to be equally divided between them, I wish for my Executrix to charge my son Washington Cowles Taylor with interest on the amount of money left