

In the name of God, Amen. I, William Broadribb, of James City County, in Virg<sup>a</sup>, being in perfect Sound Sence & memory, all praise be given to Almighty God for the same, Considering with my self of the frailty of Mankind, the Certainty of Death & the uncertainty of the time when, do make this my last will & Testament, & first & principally above all earthly things, I Comitt my Soule to God who gave it, trusting and Assuredly believing, through the bitter Death and passion of my Lord & Savior Jesus Christ, I shall receive full pardon of & remission of all my Sins, & my Body to the Earth from Whence it come, to be buried in Christian like Manner.

First. It is my will & desire, & I do hereby appoint, that all my Just debts due by bill or Account be duly paid.

Item. I do give unto my Son Benj<sup>a</sup> Brodribb, after the Death of my Loveing wife Lydia Brodribb, my plantacon whereon I now Live & the land bounded as followeth, beginning at y<sup>e</sup> mouth of the Spring branch before the Door & up the branch to y<sup>e</sup> divideing of it & from the fork of the s<sup>d</sup> branch up the Middle of the point straight up to the Maine road & down the s<sup>d</sup> Maine Road, till it meets with Wormley's line at Dickett of trees between the s<sup>d</sup> Wormeley's old feild & mine by the Schoole house & downe that Same Line till it meet with the Line between W<sup>m</sup> Baylys land & Mine & along that same Line till it Comes to powhatan Swamp & then up the said Swamp to the mouth of the s<sup>d</sup> bra[nch], where it began (Excepting the land whereon the Schoole house now standeth with half an Acre of Land & fire wood of [mutilated] my Land I do give for the use of a Schoole for ever, I do give to my s<sup>d</sup> Son Benj<sup>a</sup> my plantacon & lands as aboves<sup>d</sup> (Except what is before Excepted) to him & the heires of his Body Lawfully begotten for Ever.

Item. I doe give unto my Son W<sup>m</sup> Broadribb at y<sup>e</sup> age of Eighteen years all the land whereon Lawrence Usher now liveth bounded according to the s<sup>d</sup> Lawrence's lease & more then the s<sup>d</sup>



hereunto holds, I give to my s<sup>d</sup> Son William all my land between the road that leads between Coll<sup>s</sup> Ludwell's Mill & Powhatan Mill, all y<sup>e</sup> Land between that Road & y<sup>e</sup> Line between M<sup>r</sup> Benj<sup>s</sup> Eggleston's land & Mine (Excepting one acre of Land for the use of the Mill to him & the heires of his body Lawfully begotten for ever.)

Item. I do give unto my Son Abraham Broadribb, at the Age of Eighteen years, all my land beyond the Maine road & all that I have beyond the Drinking Swamp branch Exprest in my Patent, all but what is already disposed of, to him & the heirs of his Body Lawfully begotten for ever.

Item. I do give unto my Son Thomas Broadribb, at y<sup>e</sup> Age of Eighteen years, all my land lying between the bounds of my son Benjamin's land & the bounds of my Son W<sup>m</sup>s land abovesaid commonly called Pursers Hill, to him & the heires of his Body Lawfully begotten for Ever.

Item. I do appoint, Impower & desire my three Loveing friends, M<sup>r</sup> W<sup>m</sup> Drumond, Cap<sup>m</sup> George Marable & M<sup>r</sup>. Benj. Eggleston, or either two of them, with my Loveing wife, trustees to sell & dispose of my Land & plantacon whereon Emanuell Does now liveth, & the produce of it I bequeath Equally between my Son Thomas Broadribb & my two daughters to-wit Susan & Lydia, leting the s<sup>d</sup> Does Continue his time on it as by Indenture of Lease may appear.

Item. I do give my Mill & an Acre of Land to be Equally devided amongst all my Children (as they Attaine to the age of Eighteen years) (viz<sup>t</sup>) to Benj<sup>s</sup> Broadribb, Will Broadribb, Abraham Broadribb, Susan Broadribb, Thomas Broadribb & Lydia Broadribb & Considering the many Shares in the s<sup>d</sup> Mill & for fear of their disagreeing, I do appoint my two sons (Benj<sup>s</sup> & William) who will be both of age before M<sup>r</sup>. John Tullit his Lease of the s<sup>d</sup> Mill be Expired that if they think it best when M<sup>r</sup>. Tullits lease be out, I do appoint them or the Survivor of them if one should dye to Sell the said Mill & the produce of the s<sup>d</sup> Mill I do give to be Equally devided amongst all my before named Six Children.

Item. I do give all my Personall Estate to be Equally devided amongst my Loveing wife Lydia Broadrib & all my aboves<sup>d</sup> Six Children.



Lastly, I do Constitute and appoint my Loveing wife Lydia Broadribb whole & Sole Executrix of this my last will and testament, to all w<sup>ch</sup> I set my hand & seale this third day of May, 1703.

WILL BROADRIBB.<sup>1</sup> (*Seal.*)

Sealed & signed In presence of

Lawrence Usher,

*his*

William W. Wager,

*mark.*

John Spratley,

*her*

Eliz: E. Spratley.

*mark.*

At a court held for James City county, the 7th day of June, 1703.

This will was this day proved in court by the [mutilated] Lawrence Usher & W<sup>m</sup> Waiger two of the witnesses, and admitted to record. Test, C. C. Thacker, Cl. Cur. Copia Test, C. C. Thacker, Cl. Cor.

Endorsed: Broadribb's Will.