

King and Queen County at the Courtroom on Thursday the
8th day of March 1852 This last Will and Testament of
John Jackson deceased was proved by the oaths of
Thomas B Evans and James Evans Two of the Justices
thereto subscribed and is ordered to be recorded
Only recorded *John Robert Bollard J.C.*

In the Clerk's office of King and Queen County Court

The Record and original Will of John
Jackson deceased being lost by the burning of the
Clerk's office of this County by the Public enemy
and this County authenticates *John Robert Bollard J.C.*
a Copy *John Robert Bollard J.C.*, is on the motion
of Maria Jackson admitted to record anew this
13th day of February 1868 *John Robert Bollard J.C.*

In the name of God amen I William
Branch of King and Queen County Virginia, hereby
revoking all former Wills, do make this my last Will
(and Testament) as follows to wit:

I lend to my wife Susan Branch all my estate of
every description both real and personal during her
Lifetime for her own support and the support and
education of my children by her, and at her death
I give my Black ~~Lot~~ to my son James Anthony
Branch and the balance of my estate to my wife
Susan and I bequeath to my son James Anthony
and to my daughters Maria Eliza and Ophelia
as their joint property. I desire however, that they
shall be sole or division after the death of my wife,
James Branch, so long as my said Children remain
single and unmarried, but that my house and land
shall be a home for all my said three Children and
that every thing shall be kept together for the support

and support, and should my said wife die before
 my said son James Anthony arrives at twenty one years
 of age, I wish and desire that Joseph W Reed and
 his wife Martha, the son in law, and daughter of my
 said wife by a former marriage, will remove into my
 house and occupy the large rooms above and below
 stairs and reside with my said children during
 the minority of my said son James Anthony and that
 the said Joseph W Reed will with the assistance
 of my said son James Anthony cultivate my land
 that he and his said wife will provide out of the prop-
 erty given to my said children for their support; and
 as a compensation I wish and direct that during my
 said sons minority they shall have a home in my house
 and have such portion of the crops and profits of my land
 as shall be considered in the judgment of mutual friends
 of the parties, fair and just. I have limited this com-
 mitment to the period of my said son Anthony's minority
 expecting, and desiring that on his arrival at age
 he will provide for the comfort of his said two
 sisters. This he may do by continuing said agree-
 ment after words if he thinks it desirable to do so.
 I do not wish my land and other property sold or dis-
 posed of during the minority of my daughter Ophelia
 she comes married, but that she shall have a home for my
 said daughters Maria R and Ophelia during their
 minority or single life by ~~the~~ said Ophelia, when
 she arrives at twenty one years of age, or is married.
 Which said Estate is equally divided among my said
 children Anthony Maria R and Ophelia but that
 that one of the said William and Spryler that my
 said son shall do, shall own my said appurtenances
 from the other two, the others at a fair value.
 Should my daughter Maria marry before my
 Ophelia marries or arrives at twenty one years
 of age I direct that she shall have a home and clothing

shall be accounted for by her in the final division of my estate but she shall not take away anything further out of the Estate until Ophelia marries or arrives at twenty one years of age.

I have made no provision for my children by my former marriage because they have enjoyed the benefits of my labor in former years, and I feel it now especially my duty to provide for my children by my last marriage who are still young and will be left by me in needy circumstances. I appoint my wife Susan Broad my executrix and direct that she shall not be required to give security as such or to have any of my perishable property sold unless it be necessary for payment of debts, and then only of so much as may be needed and may be best spent. Witness my hand and seal this 10th day of March 1865

Tested and signed William F. Broad (seal)
Witness Mortimer Jones

Robert F. Ireland

At a Court held for King and Queen County at the Courthouse on Thursday the 9th of January 1868

This last Will and Testament of William Broad deceased was offered for proof and was proved by the oath of Mortimer Jones one of the witnesses thereto subscribed

Teste Robert F. Ireland

At a Court held for King and Queen County at the Courthouse on Thursday the 10th day of January 1868

This last Will and Testament of William Broad deceased was further proved by the oath of Robert F. Ireland one of the witnesses thereto subscribed and ordered to be recorded

Teste Robert F. Ireland
Notary Public