

James I in the name of God Amen, I James Merriwether of Louisa
County being in usual health and of sound memory do make
this my last will and testament.

Item ^{where} Having given to my sons David, James and William
Thomas and John a young negro boy, each of which they are
now severally possessed, I confirm the said gift.

Item ^{where} I have my son Robt one negro boy between the age of
twelve and 18 years old to him and his heirs forever as also
one bed and furniture to him and his heirs forever.

Item ^{where} I lend my wife Elizabeth Merriwether all my es-
tate both real and personal not before disposed of during her
life.

Item ^{where} I give all my interest in the State of Kentucky to
be divided equally between my six sons David, James, Wil-
liam, Thomas, John and Robert after deducting one hundred
and thirty acres which I leave to my son Tom, four more than
the others, he having paid for it.

Item ^{where} I give my land in Louisa whereon I now live after the
death of my wife Elizabeth Merriwether to Lancelott Meind,
Harwood Godwin and David Bullock (atto) in trust for my
daughter Ann. It is my will and desire that the said Trus-
tees shall rent out the said land annually and pay the
said rent to my said daughter by her subject during her nat-

daughter Ann. It is my will and desire that the said Trustees shall rent out the said land annually and pay the said rent to my said daughter for her support during her natural life and at her death I direct my said Trustees to convey to the child or children; if none then I direct the said Trustees to sell the said tract of land and divide the money arising from the sale equally among all my children or their representatives. And if my said daughter's child or children dies before they arrive at the age of twenty one years or marry, then and in that case it is my desire that the said land be sold by my said Trustees and the money equally divided as aforesaid.

Item ^{also} I also gave to my said Trustees one negro between the age of 12 and 18 years old for the use of my said daughter in the same manner and under the same restrictions that the land is directed to be disposed of.

Item ^{also} I lend my silver spoons to my said daughter Ann during her life and at her death to her child or children, if any, and if none then to my son Tom's daughter Sally.

Item ^{also} I leave to my Grand daughter Sally Moeriwether daughter to my son Tom a negro girl named Sally daughter to Heanah, the value of which negro I direct to be deducted out of said Son Tom's part of my Estate.

Item ^{also} At the death of my wife I desire my Executors to sell all the residue of my estate and divide the money equally between all my children.

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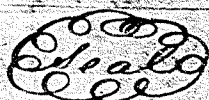
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indebted to me, my son William in the sum of ninety pounds and my
sons Thomas and Robert debts are not ascertained (when they are) It is
my desire that they shall account for the same, as also my son Wil-
liam for the said sum of ninety pounds in the general division, and
as far as their debts extend shall receive the same as their propor-
tionable part of that part of my ~~of my~~ estate directed to be sold by my
Executors and if either of their debts or all of their debts to me ex-
ceed their part of my estate as aforesaid, then they are to be accoun-
table for the balance to the Executors. And lastly I constitute and
appoint Col^l Wm W. Callis, Capt^m James Winston and Capt^m John
Pindexter my Executors of this my last will and testament, which
as such is sealed and published by me this 10th day of October
Eighteen hundred

Sealed and published by the
Testator before us who subscribed
the same in his presence

James Merriwether 

John Garth
Thomas Jackson
Major Ryan

Since signing the above will I have purchased of Capt John
Pindexter a tract of land on Southanna river, which land at
the death of my wife I give to my son Robert and his heirs for-
ever, except ten acres immediately adjoining a Spring of my
son Thomas, which I give to my son Thomas and his heirs forever
and whereas the amount of the purchase is unpaid, it is my

son Thomas, which I give to my son Thomas and his heirs forever
and whereas the amount of the purchase is unpaid, it is my
will that the profits of my estate after affording my wife Eliza-
beth the support she may require shall be appropriated to-
wards its discharge and if they are insufficient as much of
the land itself shall be sold as will pay the balance which
may be due, Given under my hand and Seal this 4th June Anno
Domini 1801

Signed, sealed and published by
James Merrivether as a codicil to
his last will and testament

James Merrivether 

In presence of Charles Meinos
Wm Tompkins, Gerard Banks
Lancelot Meinos

At a Court held for Louisa County on Monday the 13th day of July 1801
This will was this day exhibited in open Court and proved by the
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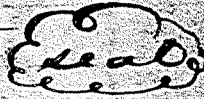
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State of Virginia, Louisa County (to wit)

I John Ponder Clerk of
the County Court of Louisa County aforesaid do hereby certify
that the annexed copy of the will and Codicil of
Merriwether deceased is a true transcript from the original