

Johnson Wm
Will

In the name of God amen, I William Johnson of
the County of Lunenburg, being of body, last and believing
that ere long I must depart this life, do make and
ordain this my last will and testament in the
manner and form following, To-wit: In the first place
I desire that all my just debts be duly and honestly
paid. Then I bequeath to my beloved wife Mary Johnson the
land and plantation on which I now live during her
natural life, and at her death my will and desire is
that the said land shall be equally divided among
my six children to-wit: Catherine G. Johnson, Zephiah John-
son, James Johnson, George Johnson, Boley Johnson and
Alfred Johnson except however my will that my wife shall
raise my three youngest children, Thomas, Boley and Alfred
Johnson upon the said land, and that the three oldest
children Catherine G. Zephiah, and James Johnson conceive
a home on the said land until they have a reasonable
time to procure homes for themselves elsewhere, and after
any debts are paid out of my perishable estate as to
balance - say of my stock of horses, cattle, sheep, crops my
household and kitchen furniture and plantation utensils
I bequeath to my beloved wife, and when my son Alfred
becomes twenty one years of age, then I desire that all
the said debts be paid, and the balance of the said

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paid. ~~Then~~ I laid to my beloved wife Sally Johnson the land and plantation on which I now live during her natural life and at her death my will and desire is that the said land shall be equally divided among my six children to wit; Catharine G. Johnson, Zephiah Johnson, James Johnson, Thomas Johnson, Polly Johnson and Alfred Johnson except however my will that my wife shall raise my three youngest children, Thomas, Polly and Alfred Johnson upon the said land, and that the three oldest children Catharine G. Zephiah, and James Johnson be allowed a home on the land until they have a reasonable time to procure homes for themselves elsewhere, and after any debts are paid of my perishable estate as the balance say of my stock of horses, cattle, sheep, crops my household and kitchen furniture and plantation utensils I laid to my beloved wife, until my son Alfred becomes twenty one years of age, then I desire that all of the said stock, furniture and utensils shall be equally divided among my six children aforesaid. And I further laid to my wife Sally Johnson my farm to wit, and the plantation, orchard, garden, and the support but other three youngest children during her natural life, and at her death I

I desire that all said negroes and their increase shall
be divided equally among my three youngest children
Thomas Alfred and Sally Johnson or their heirs as the case
may be - I then I gave my negro girl Lydia and her
future increase to my daughter Katherine G Johnson
I then I gave my negro girl Mary and her future increase to
my daughter Jephtha Johnson

I then I gave my negro boy Jack to my son James Johnson
in the last place & apponish

negotiator negotiator of this my last
will and testament hereby making and disannulling all
other wills bequests and legacies by me heretofore made -
I testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this
8th day of June 1823

Witness
J. C. Sturdevant
Theophanes ^{his} & sister
James Allen
Mary Johnson
Robert Wynn his & mark

William Johnson Seal

In Lunenburg County Court 15th day of October 1823 The within
written last will and testament of Wm L Johnson dec'd

William Johnson
His Executors
Theophilus ^{his} Lellis
James Allen ^{marth}
Mary Johnson
Robert Wynn his & marth

William Johnson *Ed*

In Lunenburg County Court 15 day of October 1823 The within
written last will and testament of Wm Johnson dec'd
was presented into Court and the same was proved by the
oaths of James Allen and Theophilus Lellis two of the
subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded -
And on the motion of Wm Allen who having made oath
according to law letters of administration is granted him
on the said estate with the usual annexes whereupon he
entered into and acknowledged bond for that purpose with
approved security conditioned as the law directs - Sally
Johnson the widow of the said deceased by her letter
directed to the Court having relinquished her right of
administration on said estate

Teste
Montfort P. Bacon DC