

I, Susanna Wilson the executrix named in the said Will who having
 made oath to law according certificate is granted her for obtaining probate of the
 said Will in due form. whereupon she gave bond & security accor-
 ding to law
 Wm James Taylor

I, Wm James Taylor of Lunenburg County do make this my last will and testament in
 manner and form following, Item it is my will and desire that in case there should
 not be money sufficient by me, or due me at the time of my death to discharge my
 just debts then I direct my executor hereafter named to sell any part of my person-
 al estate as they may think proper to discharge the same, Item as I have already
 given to my deceased daughter Elizabeth Taylor ^{Lunenburg County Wills 1878-1826} ^{www.virginiapioneers.net} eight negroes which said negroes they have had in their possession for
 several years with the present and future increase of the females to them and their
 heirs forever, Item I give to my son Thomas Taylor seven negroes which he has
 in his possession with the present and future increase of the females to him and his
 heirs forever, Item as I have given my son Walter Taylor five negroes which said
 negroes he has in his possession I also give my said son Walter Taylor my A. S. Sells
 carriage which he has and has been forever, Item I give to my son John Taylor
 eight negroes which he has in his possession and the present and future increase
 of the females to him and his heirs forever, Item I give to my son John Taylor
 the sum of \$1000 the sum that I give hereunto with my own hand and seal
 and no less sum, Item I give to my son William Henry Taylor seven negroes

which he has in his possession and the future increase of the females to him and his heirs forever. Item I give to my son Edmund Francis Taylor eight negroes which he has in his possession, and the future increase of the females to him and his heirs forever. Item I give to my son Benjamin Taylor seven negroes to wit, and two sons of old Andrew, Reddy, Diley, Judy, daughter of below, and her three children which he has in his possession and the future increase of the females to him and his heirs forever. Item I give to my son Richard Taylor seven negroes to wit, Job Ephraim, Billy, sons of Lucy Taylor and her three children and the future increase of the females to him and his heirs forever. Item I give to my son Lewis Colledge Taylor eight negroes to wit Abraham, Jeremy, Sucker, and her child Lewis, Emma, Diley and Pather, children of Lucy, and the future increase of the females to him and his heirs forever. Item I leave to my son Daniel Taylor and Elizabeth his wife after the death of my beloved wife Martha Taylor during their lives one negro, to wit, John Russell, Mary and her child Jeller and Vall daughter of below, which said negroes are by no means to be liable to pay any debts contracted by either of them and after their decease I give the said negroes and their increase to the children of my said son Daniel & Elizabeth his wife to be equally divided between them and to their heirs forever. Item I leave to my beloved wife Martha Taylor twenty one negroes. It is my will and desire that my said wife make choice of fourteen of my negroes out of my estate, and the other twelve to be allotted to her by my executors hereafter named or by any two of the overseers in't as she may think fit. I also leave my beloved wife all my land which

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attested to her say my executors hereafter named, or say any one of my executors
Just as she may think fit, I also lend my beloved wife all my land which
I am possessed of at this time during her life and I also lend my said wife
all my stock of horses also all other kind of stocks whatever also household
and kitchen furniture during her life, I also give to my said wife my
coach and harness to her to dispose of as she may think proper, It is my
will and desire that after the death of my beloved wife, that the
negroes so lent her as aforesaid, and the negroes not hitherto given away
to my children and the stocks household and kitchen furniture to be equally
divided between my son Benjamin, Thomas, Walter, Richard, John, William Henry
Edmund Francis Lewis Littlepage and the children of my deceased daughter Martha
Wells to them and their heirs forever, It is my will I give to my son Lewis
Littlepage at the death of my beloved wife Martha Taylor the land &
plantation whereon Lewis lives to contain three hundred and thirty acres
of land to include the dwelling house and all out houses, woods one
hundred and twenty five acres of wood land in all to make three hundred
and thirty acres to him and his heirs forever, It is my will & desire
that the remaining part of my land be equally divided between the children
of my deceased daughter Martha Wells my son Richard Taylor William Henry
Taylor and Edmund Francis Taylor and my son Benjamin Taylor (on this
condition of my said son Benjamin Taylor giving up the land I have made
him as held for containing one hundred and twenty acres adjoining
Francis Esq's land to be divided as my property otherwise I give to him
the said one hundred and twenty acres to him and his heirs forever
It is my will which I have given to the children of my deceased

is my will and desire that after the death of my beloved wife, that the negroes so lent her as aforesaid, and the negroes not hitherto given away to my children and the stocks household and kitchen furniture to be equally divided between my son Benjamin, Thomas, Walter, Richard, John, William Henry, Edmund and Francis Lewis Littlepage and the children of my deceased daughter Martha Wells to them and their heirs forever, I item I give to my son Lewis Littlepage at the death of my beloved wife Martha Taylor the land & plantation whereas Francis Lewis line to contain three hundred and thirty acres of land to include the dwelling house and all out corner about one hundred and twenty five acres of wood land as all to make three hundred and thirty acres to him and his heirs forever, Item it is my will & desire

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that the remaining part of my land be equally divided between the children of my deceased daughter Martha Wells, my son Richard Taylor William Henry Taylor and Edmund Francis Taylor and my son Benjamin Taylor (on this condition of my said son Benjamin Taylor giving up the land share made him as debt for containing one hundred and twenty acres adjoining Francis Lewis line to be divided as my property, otherwise I give to him the said one hundred and twenty acres to him and his heirs forever I item the land which I have given to the children of my deceased daughter Martha Wells I ordain and direct to be sold by my executors hereafter named as the money arising from the sale thereof to be equally divided between the children of my said deceased daughter Martha Wells to them and their heirs forever, I item I give to my son Francis Taylor

One hundred and twenty pounds for his services while he acts as deputy clerk
for me as he has received several sums of money at different times, I am in hopes
that he will be satisfied; I desire that there be no appointment of any other
only an inventory taken by my executor I do appoint my beloved wife Martha
Taylor executrix and my sons Benjamin Taylor Thomas Taylor Walter Taylor Richard
Taylor John Taylor William Henry Taylor Edward Francis Taylor and Sam Lillings
Taylor executors of this my last will and testament, Given under my hand &
seal this 1st day of May 1830

It is my will and desire that this last
will and testament be admitted to record

William Taylor (seal)

without any other proof that ^{that it was offered to the court}
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which is well known by most persons in the County

William Taylor

A codicil to the last will and testament of William Taylor made this 28th day of
December 1826 Item I leave unto my son Daniel Taylor and Elizabeth his wife after the
decease of my beloved wife Martha Taylor one hundred and twenty acres of land to
include the house and plantation on which he at present resides and after the decease
of my said son Daniel Taylor and his wife Elizabeth his wife my wife and desire is
that the said land so left should be equally divided between their children I Item
I give to my grand daughter Fanny H. Taylor daughter of my said son Daniel Taylor
and to her heirs forever one negro girl named Sally and now being the same that
I purchased of my said son Daniel Taylor Item after the decease of my beloved
wife Martha Taylor my will and desire is that my negro woman Betty wife

My wife Martha Taylor my will and desire is that my negro woman Betty wife
of hers should be allotted to my son John Taylor in the general division
of my estate as part of his proportion of the residue thereof Item after the
death of my said beloved wife my will and desire is that my negro man
Joan and the possession of my son Edmund J Taylor should be in like manner

allotted to him in the general division of my estate - Item my will and desire
is that instead of the negro woman Fanny and her youngest child Lucy heretofore
given to my son William H Taylor I give to my said son and his heirs forever my negro
woman called little Betty and her child Robin and her future increase from the
time my said son had her in his possession to him and his heirs forever Item

I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Martha Taylor all my silver plate of
every description to her to enjoy so long as she may think proper -

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Item after the death of my beloved wife Martha Taylor I give unto my son
Daniel Taylor and his wife Elizabeth during their natural lives one child part
of my stock and household furniture, also two small negroes to be allotted to
them by my executor heretofore named, one to be a boy twelve or thirteen
years of age and the other a girl seven or eight years of age which said
stock furniture and negroes so lent to my said son Daniel and his wife
Elizabeth are not to be in any manner liable for the payment of any debts
heretofore contracted or which may be contracted by my said son Daniel and
his wife Elizabeth and after their death I give the said negroes and the increase
of the funds to the children of my said son Daniel and his wife Elizabeth
to them and their heirs forever Item I give and bequeath unto my son
Thomas Taylor my silver watch to him and his heirs forever Item I give

allotted to him in the general division of my estate - I give my will and devise
in that instead of the negro woman Fanny and her youngest child Lucy heretofore
given to my son William Taylor I give to my said son and his forever my negro
woman called little Betty and her child Robin and her future increase from the
time my said son had her in his possession to have and his heirs forever I give
I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Martha Taylor all my silver plate of
every description to her to dispose of in any manner she may think proper -
I give after the death of my beloved wife Martha Taylor I give unto my son
Daniel Taylor and his wife Elizabeth during their natural lives one child part
of my stock and household furniture, also two small negroes to be allotted to
them by my Executor heretofore named, one to be a boy twelve or thirteen
years of age and the other a girl seven or eight years of age to which said
stock furniture and negroes I give to my said son Daniel and his wife
Elizabeth and not to be in any manner liable for the payment of any debts
heretofore contracted or which may be contracted by my said son Daniel and
his wife Elizabeth and after their death I give the said negroes and the increase
of the females to the children of my said son Daniel and his wife Elizabeth
to them and their heirs forever I give and bequeath unto my son
Thomas Taylor my silver watch to him and his heirs forever I give
and bequeath to my son William Taylor my mahogany desk which
stands in the hall to him and his heirs forever I give and bequeath
unto my son Benjamin Taylor the office which at present contains the
books and papers of the late John Taylor to him and his heirs forever

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I have in the general division of my estate after my beloveds' decease
I will that my executor to my son Richard Taylor as hereinafter mentioned to be
includes or part of the proportion of the residue of my estate & them after the
decease my beloved wife Martha Taylor I give and bequeath to my son
Edmund T. Taylor in lieu of the land heretofore bequeathed him two hundred
and eighty eight acres of land to include the dwelling house and other
out houses (the office excepted) whereas I now have the said land to be in-
layed off as to include forty acres of ^{wood} land as part thereof which said
land and appurtenances I give to my said son Edmund T. Taylor and his
heirs forever Item it is my will and desire that my executor heretofore
appointed shall keep the grating which incloses the grave yards in good
repair or that they have ^{been} repaired in white bricks at their joint expense
Item my will and desire is in order to put an end to every dispute or
controversy which may happen after my decease respecting any accounts
which my son Benjamin Taylor may bring forward against my estate
for the hire of negroes which I have given, I do hereby direct my executor to
pay him the sum of twenty five pounds in lieu thereof the sum I consider
as a sufficient compensation for the said hire, as I never agreed to pay for
them but for one year, since which period the said negroes have been a
source of expense to me, and my said son has had the privilege of
taking them to himself or hiring them at his discretion
Whereas my son Lewis Littlepage Taylor since writing my will to which
this is a Codicil having departed this life after duly making and
publishing his last will and testament in which he has bequeathed to

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to never any one else will page Taylor since writing my will to which
this is a Codicil having departed this life after duly making and
publishing his last will and testament which is of record in Lunenburg
County Court whereas he devises to his brothers John William M. & Edmund
H. Taylor five negroes therein mentioned I do now hereby forever confirm
the said bequests unto my said three sons last mentioned to them
and their heirs forever - In testimony whereof I have signed sealed
published and declared this writing as a Codicil to my last will and
testament this day and year within mentioned in presence of
Richard K. Bralle John Morrison William Taylor (Seal)

A further Codicil to the last will and testament of William Taylor
made this 28th day of ^{Lunenburg County Wills 1818-1826} ~~December~~ 1812 after the decease of my
beloved wife Martha Taylor I give and bequeath unto my son William
H. Taylor a negro man named Journey or a negro fellow of equal
value with the said Journey at the time of making this my last
will and testament which said negro I give to my said son and his
heirs forever I make this bequest to my said son William H. Taylor
because the negroes heretofore allotted to him were not as valuable as
those allotted to the rest of my children - In testimony whereof I have
signed sealed & published this writing as a further Codicil to my said
last will and testament the date above written
In presence of
Richard K. Bralle John Morrison William Taylor (Seal)

published and declared this writing as a Codicil to my last will and testament this day and year within mentioned in presence of
Richard K. Bralle John Morrison
William Taylor (Read)

A further Codicil to the last will and testament of William Taylor made this 28th day of December 1815 Years after the decease of my beloved wife Martha Taylor I give and bequeath unto my son William H Taylor as negro man named Journey or a negro fellow of equal value with the said Journey at the time of making this my last will and testament which said negro I give to my said son and his heirs forever I make this bequest to my said son William H Taylor because the negroes ~~which I bequeathed to him~~ were not as valuable as those allotted to the rest of my children. In testimony whereof I have signed sealed & published this writing as a further Codicil to my said last will and testament the date above written

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In presence of
Richard K. Bralle John Morrison
William Taylor (Read)

A further Codicil to the last will and testament of William Taylor made at my said son's request on the 1st day of January 1816 the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty one. I do hereby declare that the said will and negro bequeathed by me to my said son William H Taylor is which bequest I make to my said son and his heirs

not be subject in any manner whatsoever to the payment of any tax or
duty heretofore contracted or that he may hereafter contract but that the said
Emmund Taylor will have the use and benefit of the said property for and
during his natural life and the natural life of his present wife Petronella
and at their death it is my will & desire that the said estate both real
and personal should be equally divided between the children of my said son
Emmund Taylor which he has or may have by his before mentioned wife
Petronella to them and their heirs forever - Item whereas there is a law and
now depending in the Superior Court Law for Lunenburg County respecting the
land that I purchased of Caleb R. Upshur attorney for Giddens Upshur and
which deed is of record in the office of Lunenburg and whereas it may or
happen that the heirs of the said Upshur or some other person may recover
the land of one or my estate and as there are a part of my children (to wit
Benjamin Taylor Richard Taylor William H Taylor and the children of my
daughter Martha Will, to whom I have not ^{yet} given any land it is my
will and desire that in case the said land should be lost to me or my estate
that the amount of the purchase money which is mentioned in the face
of the before mentioned deed from Upshur to me with the legal interest
thereon from the date of the said deed should be raised out of my estate
and the amount thereof equally divided between the said Benjamin Richard
and William H Taylor and the children of my said daughter who are to have one
fourth part thereof to them and their heirs forever - And whereas doubts
may arise respecting the clause in my last will & testament devising a part

may arise respecting the clause in my last will & testament devising a part of my estate to the children of my daughter Martha Wills in order to explain the same it is my will and desire that the said children of my daughter Martha Wills should be entitled to such part of my estate as their mothers if living should be entitled under my will - in testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and do sign & seal published and declared the contents as a further Coroll to my last will and testament the day & year before mentioned by witness of William Taylor Read
David Garland Robert Garland

At a Court held for Lunenburg County the 9th day of October 1820 -
The last will and testament of William Taylor deceased was presented into Court and the laws directing of the Lunenburg County Wills 1818-1826
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by the Oaths of David Jordan and David Garland who were sworn for that purpose the same was ordered to be read and the first and second Coroll to the said last will & testament were proved by the Oaths of John Morrison & Richard Crallo the subscribing witnesses thereto and were ordered to be recorded & the third & last Coroll to the said will & testament was proved by the Oaths of David Garland a subscribing witness thereto and ordered to be copied and on the motion of Thomas Taylor one of the executors named in the said will who having made Oaths according to law (certificates) a grant was made for obtaining probate of the said will in due form who therefore were given bond and security for that purpose in the law directed reserving testimony to the Oaths of the said names in the said will to pass in probate when they shall think fit And at a Court held for the said County the 11th day of October

Shewd hereunto set my hand and as a sign therof published and declared the contents
as a further Corrobor to my last will and testament the day & year before
mentioned in presence of William Taylor Seal
David Garland Robert Garland

At a Court held for Lunenburg County the 9th day of October 1826
The last will and testament of William Taylor deceased was presented into Court
and the hand writing of the said William Taylor deceased having been proved
by the oaths of David Street Stiles Jordan and David Garland who were
sworn for that purpose the same was ordered to be recorded and the
first and second Corrobor to the said last will & testament were proved by the oaths
of John Morrison & Richard K. Crallo the subscribing witnesses thereto and were ordered
to be recorded & the Lunenburg County Wills 1818-1826 the said will & testament
was proved by the oaths of David Garland a subscribing witness thereto
and ordered to be certified and on the motion of Thomas Taylor one of the executors
named in the said will who having made oath according to law certificate
is granted him for obtaining probate of the said will in due form who thereupon
saw good bond and security for that purpose as the law directs reserving liberty
to them the executors or names in the said will to come in probate whenever they
shall think fit And it is Court Cou^{rt} that for the said County the 11th day of October
1826 the last will & testament of the said William Taylor as aforesaid
was proved by the oaths of David Garland the other subscribing witnesses thereto and the same was ordered
to be recorded.

