

Matthew Marable
will
In the name of god Amen I Matthew Marable of the county of
Mecklenburg, and state of Virginia, being through the Abundant
mercy and goodness of god of Sound and perfect Memory and Understanding,
constitute and make this my last will and Testament, and desire
it may be received by all as such.

In presence - I most humbly bequeath my
soul to god my maker, Beseeching his most gracious Acceptance of it,
through the all sufficient merits and dedications of my most Compassi-
onate redeemer Jesus Christ, who gave himself to be an Atonement for
my sins, and is able to save to the Uttermost, all that come unto god by him,
seeing I ever liveth to make a just Intercession for them, I trust he
will not reject me, a returning penitent sinner when I come to him
for mercy -

In this hope and Confidence, I render my soul up with comfort,
beseeching the blessed and glorious Trinity, one god most holy, most

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mercifull and gracious, to prepare me for the time of my dissolution,
and then to take me to himself, with that peace and rest, and
Incomparable felicity, which he has prepared for all that love
and fear his Holy name Amen - Blessed be god.

I give my body to the
Earth from whence it came in full assurance of its resurrection from
thence at the last day; as for my burial. I desire it may be decent
and plain at the discretion of my beloved wife and my Executors
whom I doubt not will manage it with all requisite prudence
and discretion.

I give and bequeath to my son Matthew and to his heirs forever
all my money which he carried away with him which I believe
was to the amount of one Thousand pounds.

Item I give and bequeath to David Stokes my son in law and
his Heirs forever two hundred acres of land in Mecklenburg County
and as the same is divided into 100 shares

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his Heirs forever two hundred acres of land in Mecklenburg County
and is the same which I bought of Thomas Neal; and so much
of my land adjoining to the last mentioned tract which I
bought of my Brother John Marable, as is contained between
the said Neal's upper line and the first branch above running
into Finney wood creek, bounded by the said land as it runs
out to my back line of the said tract which I had of my said
Brother supposing the same to be two hundred acres; I also
give and bequeath to the said David Stokes seven Negroes (to wit),
Gidd Caesar, Brittain, Jane, and Barbary, and Hannah,
Caesar's wife and Child called Alfred son of Jane: the first
five has been delivered to him before my death; the slave
last mentioned to be delivered the first news day after my
decease, to hold to him and his Heirs forever. I also give
and bequeath to the said Stokes my stud horse bay colt

Widow of my Brother John Marable, as is contained between
the said Neale's upper line and the first branch above running
into Finney wood creek, bounded by the said land as it runs
out to my back line of the said tract which I had of my said
Brother supposing the same to be two hundred acres; I also
give and bequeath to the said David Stokes seven Negroes (to wit),
Gedd Lazar, Brittain, Jane, and Barbara, and Hannah;
Gedd's wife and Child called Alfred son of Jane: the first
five has been delivered to him before my death; the slave
last mentioned to be delivered the first news day after my
decease, to hold to him and his heirs forever. I also give
and bequeath to the said Stokes my stud horse bay trotter
and a black mare named Robertson, which have been also
delivered - all of which I value to one thousand pounds the
portion I ever intended for my Daughter when she married
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W Item. I give and bequeath to my Daughter Elizabeth and her Heirs forever seven hundred acres of Land (to wit) three hundred acres the residue of the land which I bought of my Brother John as aforesaid which I value at forty shillings an acre. and four hundred acres which I bought of Branch Tanner adjoining upon the north side of the last mentioned three hundred acres, and lying on both sides the Carpenters branch; both tracts in the County of Mecklenburg. I also give and bequeath to my Daughter Elizabeth and her Heirs forever one thousand acres of land in the said County of Mecklenburg which I also bought of Branch Tanner of the value of four pounds an acre distinct and separate from any of the above mentioned tracts but joining the land I bought of Kinnon I also give and bequeath to my said Daughter Elizabeth a new single chair which is now at Petersburg unfinished but which I desire may be finished at the charge of my Estate before it is delivered to her.

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also my old grey mare and harness. I also give and bequeath to my
said Daughter and her Heirs one neg^re Girl named Sarah and two
hundred pounds Cash. It is my will and desire that my Executors
choose a place for her residence during her minority and particularly
at M^r Murrays in Mecklenburg if it can be conveniently effected -
I am, I give and bequeath to my son Richard and his heirs forever
four hundred and twenty five acres of Land which I had of my father
and known by the name of Fowler's including my two plantations
called the Indian field and Fowler's - Also I give and bequeath to
my said son Richard and his heirs forever another tract of land
containing four hundred acres which I had also of my father
and called the pine Woods - I also give and bequeath to the
said Richard my son and his heirs forever a new survey in my own
name of three hundred and forty five and a half acres adjoining
the north line of my aforesaid tract called Pine woods. The three

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at Mr Murray in Mecklenburg if it can be conveniently effected -
Item, I give and bequeath to my son Richard and his heirs forever
four hundred and twenty five acres of Land which I had of my father
and known by the name of Fowlers including my two plantations
called the Indian field and Fowlers - Also I give and bequeath to
my said son Richard and his heirs forever another tract of land
containing four hundred acres which I had also of my father
and called the pine Woods - I also give and bequeath to the
said Richard my son and his heirs forever a new survey in my own
name of three hundred and forty five and a half acres adjoining
the north line of my aforesaid tract called Pine woods - The three
aforesaid tracts lying in the County of Mecklenburg. Item I
give and bequeath to my son Champain and his heirs forever
all

(172) all the lands which I have in the County of Charlotte &c. &c.
The tract which I bought of William Read containing
Eight hundred acres more or less - I also bequeath to the
said Champain my son another tract of land in the
said County of Charlotte containing one hundred acres
which I bought of William Willis to him and his
heirs forever. - I also give and bequeath to my son Champain
and his heirs forever another tract of land in the County
of Charlotte containing two hundred acres and which
I bought of William Willis. - Item I give and bequeath
to my son John and his heirs forever the land I
bought of Richard Kemmer containing one thousand
acres more or less lying in the County of Mecklenburg -
And as an Ejectment is now depending in the general
Court concerning the title to the said land, and a doubt

Court concerning the title to the said land, and a doubt
has arisen whether Kennon was capable of making me a
good title to the aforesaid tract, therefore my further desire
and orders are, that in case the said Kennon should
be found incapable of making a right to the said land,
that then a suit or suits shall be brought for a recovery
of the money back which I have paid him and for
such damages as my Estate may have sustained by
means of the nonperformance of his Covenant; all which
monies so recovered back and damages upon the Breach
of Contract, I give and bequeath to my said son John
and his Heirs forever. - It is my will and desire that
my sons John, Richard and Champain shall not take
possession or be entitled to the proffits of their lands
above devised to them untill they respectively arrive
to the age of twenty years.

and orders are, that in case the said Kennan should be found incapable of making a right to the said land, that then a suit or suits shall be brought for a recovery of the money back which I have paid him and for such damages as my Estate may have sustained by means of the nonperformance of his Covenant; all which monies so recovered back and damages upon the Breach of Contract, I give and bequeath to my said son John and his Heirs forever. - It is my will and desire that my sons John, Richard and Champain shall not take possession or be entitled to the proffits of their lands above devised to them untill they respectively arrive to the age of twenty one years and as they severally arrive to the age of twenty one years I desire that my Executors should give them possession of the lands

But

But not to render the profits of the said lands to them which shall be raised from my death to those respective periods.

It is also my will and desire that my Daughter Elizabeth shall not be intitled to the lands above desired her untill she arrives to the age of Eighteen years or marriage.

I Her. It is my will and desire that my wife Mary should reside on the plantation whereon I now live during her natural life. In witness whereof I here unto set my hand & seal this twelfth day of the March 1786.

In presence of

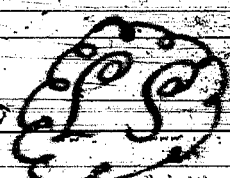
Paul Carington

James Wayne

William Burr

Edward ^{Moore} Magaids

Matthew Marable



I Matthew Marable being of sound and perfect mind and memory do continue to make and publish this my last will

Edward Hogans's

I Mathew Marable being of sound and perfect mind and
memory do Continue to make and publish this my last will
and testament in manner following (to wit) It is my will
and desire that instead of in line of Descent my Dear wife
shall use occupy and possess the Plantation whereon I now live
during her Natural life with all the advantages and mo-
nies by her as she would be entitled to were she to hold it by
Tenancy in Descent - Item, It is my will and desire that
my wife should have and possess during her natural life one
third of my negroes not before bequeathed - Also one third
of my stocks of horses, hogs, Neat Cattle to her own Proper
use and behoof - It is also my will and desire that my wife
should retain to her own proper use all my household
furniture of every kind and nature whatsoever - It is further
my will and desire that all the rest and residues of my Negroes

and desire that instead or in lieu of Dowry My Dear wife shall use, occupy and possess the Plantation whereas I now live during her Natural life with all the advantages and ^{more} ~~much~~ by ~~as~~ she would be entitled to were she to hold it by Tenancy in Dowry - ~~I~~ ^{It} is my will and desire that my wife should have and possess during her natural life one third of my negroes not before bequeathed - Also one third of my stocks of horses, hogs, Neat Cattle to her own Proper use and behoof - It is also my will and desire that my wife should retain to her own proper use all my household furniture of every kind and nature whatsoever - It is further my will and desire that all the rest and residue of my Negroes and Personal Estate shall be sold by my Executors upon twelve months Credit; and the money arising therefrom to be applied to the purpose hereafter mentioned (to wit) First all my Just

debts I desire may be discharged as soon as convenience will
 permit, and after they are discharged I desire that my
 money which arise from the sale of all my personal Estate
 of every nature and kind whatsoever shall be put out on
 loans upon interest with such tenacity as my Executors
 may direct. It is also my desire that my Executors
 commence suits for the recovery of all debts due to me
 and the money recovered to put to interest on loans
 at the discretion of my Executors. It is will and
 desire that my Children may be maintained and
 Educated at the discretion of my Executors. But cannot
 forbear expressing my particular desire that my son
 Richard should be Educated to be an attorney, and my
 son Champlain as soon as his strength will permit
 to be bound to a Carpenter till he arrives to the age

to be bound to a Carpenter until he arrives to the age
of twenty one years. — It is also my will and desire
that the money which shall remain after all charges
and incumbrances are discharged in the hands of my
Executors, shall be divided equally amongst all my
Children except my Daughter Mary Meriwether Stokes
and Georg Harable. — I nominate and appoint
Paul Carrington of the County of Charlotte and Paul
Carrington junr. Thompson Foyles, Edward Almond,
Thomas Shore and Christopher McConnee Executors
of this my last will and Testament.

In presence of
James Wayne
Wm Burn
Edward Hogan

Matthew Harable

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At a Court held for Mecklenburg County the 12th day of June 1786.

This will and the codicil annexed were proved by the Oaths of James
Hagan and Edward Hagan Witnesses thereto and Ordered to be recorded
And on the motion of Thompson Fowkes and Christopher McConi-
co two of the executors therein named who made Oath thereto and
together with Henry Spear, David Bates, William Hurley, William
Robertson, and William Glanville Baptist their securities entered
into and acknowledged their bond in the penalty of twenty five thou-
sand pounds conditioned as the law directs Certificate was granted them
for obtaining a probat thereof in due form. Liberty being reserved for
the other executors therein named to join in the probat when they
shall think fit.

Teste John Brown Cl. Cur.