

William
Roffe
will

In the name of god Amen I William Roffe son of the Count
of Mecklenburg and the Commonwealth of Virginia being sick and
weak of Body but of sound sense mind and memory do make Con-
stitute and appoint this my last will and Testament in manner and
form following That is to say In presence I give unto my eldest son
William Roffe one Negroe man named Humphrey one other named
Will and one Negroe Wench named Ann and her increase to him and
his heirs forever which Slaves above mentioned my son William
Roffe has had possession of before my making this instrument of
Writing. Item I give my said son William Roffe one Book
call'd Burket on the new Testament also one Dish to be delivered him at
the death of me and my wife to him and his heirs forever. Item
I give unto my second son ~~William~~ Roffe a negroe woman named

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Iude a Boy named Sam one other Boy named Jacob a negroe
girl named Charlotte one other girl named Ruth and a
newborn Man child born of the said Iude and the future
increase of the said Iude and the other families above
mentioned to him and his heirs forever which I have above mentioned

my son Lewis Roff has had possession of before my making this
instrument of Writing. Item I give unto my third son Edward
Roff a negroe woman named Cook a negroe Boy named Allen a
negroe Boy by the name of Sam and one other boy by the name
of Dave one small horse Bridle and saddle bed and furniture
and all future increase that may descend from the said suck
to him and his heirs forever. Item I give unto my fourth son

John Roff one negroe Boy named Moses one other boy named
Alexander one negroe girl named Vinny and one other girl
named Phoebe and the increase of the above mentioned Vinny
and Phoebe to him and his heirs forever. Item I give unto

named Maria and the increase of the above mentioned Viney
and Theda to him and his heirs forever. Item I lend to my
loving wife Elizabeth my Land and Plantation
where I at present live containing by estimation three hundred
and twenty five acres all my Stocks of Cattle Hogs and Sheep
all my household Kitchen furniture and all the Slaves that
I am possessed of that I have not before bequeathed to my children
and a sufficiency of Corn and fodder to take care of her and
family also the Stocks left in her hands and as much I have
as may be sufficient to Cloath and Feed the hands left her
for her Support during her natural life and at her death
my Will and desire is that the Plantation above mentioned
be equally divided between my sons Edward Roffe and
John Roffe but if either of my said sons Edward or John
die without Issue the Survivor to take the whole of the
Land. Item I give unto my fourth Son John Roffe

and twenty five acres all my Stocks of cattle Hogs and Sheep
all my house hold kitchen furniture and all the Slaves that
I do possess of that I have not before bequeathed to my children
and a sufficiency of Corn and fodder to take care of her and
family also the Stocks left in her hands and as much Money
as may be sufficient to Cloath and Feed the hands left her
for her Support during her natural life and at her death
my will and desire is that the Plantation above mentioned
be equally divided between my sons Edward Roffe and
John Roffe but if either of my said sons Edward or John
die without Issue the Survivor to take the whole of the
Land. Item I give unto my fourth son John Roffe
one horse bridle and Saddle one bed & furniture to him
and his heirs forever. ~~Item~~ my Will and desire is

that after the death of my loving Wife Elizabeth that the
Negroes remaining at her death be equally Divided between
my four sons William Roffe Lewis Roffe Edward Roffe
and John Roffe and if either of them die with out heir
then the Negroes be divided among the surviving brothers.

Item I desire after the death of my loving Wife Elizabeth
Roffe my exors hereafter named may make sale of some part
of my household furniture or stocks of cattle Hogs or sheep
as may be sufficient to raise Money to purchase two Negroe
Children of a Year old each which Children I give and bequeath

Item I give one of my Grand son William Brame son of Jasper Brame whom this boye forever
as follows. Item I give the other Negroe child to my Grand
Daughter Lucie Brame daughter of Thomas Brame to her and
her heirs forever. Item I desire the Ballance of the stock &
household furniture that may remain after the purchasing
the Slaves above divided may be equally divided between my

The Slaves above docted may be equally divided between my
two Daughters Sarah Brame Wife of James Brame and my
other Daughter Elizabeth Brame Brame Wife of Thomas
Brame which I give to them and their heirs forever. Lastly
I do nominate and appoint my friend William Johnson and
my eldest son William Roffe Executors of this my last Will and
Testament. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand
and affixed my seal this 30th day of December 1784.

Signed Sealed Published and

declared by the said William
Roffe to be his last Will & Testament

in presence of us

Elizabeth ^{her} Pool

Mary ^{her} Pool

Mary Johnson

Will^{his} Roffe 
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At a Court held for Mecklenburg County the 15th day of March 1706
 This Will was proved by the Oaths of Elizabeth Pool & Mary Pool
 Witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded and on the motion
 of William Johnson & William Roffe, Executors therein named
 who made oath thereto together with Reuben Vaughan
 Edward Goode & Thomas Burnett their securities, into &
 acknowledged their bond in the penalty of two Thousand
 pounds conditioned as the Law directs certificate was
 granted them, obtaining a probat thereof in due form.

Ex^{co} ^{pro}

Teste

John Brown & Co

11th March 1706

Inventory of the Estate of William Vaughan deceased
 of William & 1 Negro man Charles