

Virginia June 7th 1740

In the name of God amen I Alexander
Graves of the Parish of Christ Church in the County of Middlesex
being sick and weak of Body but of perfect memory and under
standing thanks be to Almighty God for the same do constitute and
appoint this to be my last Will and Testament making Void and,
Disannulling all other Wills and Testaments heretofore made
I mp^{ty} Commit my Body to the Ground from whence it proceeded
to be decently buried at the discretion of my Executors hereafter nomi-
-nated

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2^{ly} I Commend my spirit to God that gave it to me hoping that through
the Merits of God in Christ Jesus that I shall be partaker of Eternal
happiness and for my temporal Estate ^{with} which it hath pleased God to
Endow me withall I will and bequeath in manner and form following
3^{ly} I lend to my loving Wife Mary Graves one Negro woman
named Sarah during her Life and I give to her Eight head of cattle
to her liking and all my sheep and Hogs and the best bed and
Furniture and one doz of the best Linen Plate and

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3^{ly} I lend to my loving Wife Mary Graves one Negro woman
named Sarah during her Life and I give to her Eight head of cattle
to her liking and all my sheep and Hogs and the best bed and
Furniture and one doz. of the best Dinner Plates and such old pewter
as she shall chosse chairs and one small oval Table and all my Table
Linen and 2 pair of Sheets

4^{ly} I give to my youngest Daughter Amy Tyler and to her Heirs
one Negro woman Named Bess one other negro woman named
Frank one negro Boy named Johnny and one negro Girl named
Judy the Increase of the said Negro Frank I give to my Grand child
Mary Phillips and the Increase of the said Negro Judy to my

5th I give to my Grand Daughter Mary Phillips one Negro Girl ne
Hannah

6th I give to my Eldest Daughter Hannah Phillips and to the Heir
her body one Negro woman named Sarah and one Negro Boy name
Dick and one Negro Boy named Mingo

7th I give to my said Daughter Hannah Phillips after the Death of
Wife my House and Land and all Appurtenances thereto belonging

8th I give to my Grand Daughter Mary Phillips
one Young Horse Colt

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9th All the rest of my Personal Estate unsequeathed I give to the Rev^d
Mr. William Phillips

10th I give to my Son Henry Graves the sum of Twenty shillings
sterling to be paid him by my Executors

Lastly I do constitute and appoint the Rev^d Mr. William Phillips
and Cap^t. Thomas Brice to whom for his trouble I give three p^{ts}
Executors of this my last Will and Testament In Witness where
I have herunto set my Hand and fixed my seal this fourtes

I have hereto set my hand and fixed my seal this fourte
day of June in the Year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred
and forty

Alexr. Graves &

Witnesses

Ja^s. Campbell

Alexr. Roane

Wm. Thurston

Acta Court held for Middlesex County.

Tuesday the 27th day of August 1740.

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This Will was proved by the Oaths of Alexander Roane & Wm.
Thurston two of the Witnesses thereto and Ordered to be Recorded.
The within named Thomas Price renouncing the Exorship and
William Phillips having taken the Oath of an Exor Court
granted him for obtaining a Probate in due form.

Test. Tho. Price
Truly recorded Test. Tho. Price