

In the name of God Amen. I do call upon  
Middlesex County in Virginia where I do now live  
and perfect force and power of law to strengthen my cause  
and give me success in all my actions and to command  
and require the magistrates and officers of the same to do all  
in their power to see that justice and equity be done  
to me. Merciful Creator, in hope of a joyful resurrection and remission  
of my blessed sins, I beseech you to the last to graciously  
succor and comfort me in my necessities and afflictions. I am  
Christian buried in a mortal shroud of sin (which you have  
permitted) that I might plough through life according to your blessed will  
the will of your goodness and request the grace of your salvation that is  
to say that by your blessing I desirous still to have a  
plantation and tract of land with the opportunity to earn a  
modest livelihood and the means of living of my wife and son  
for want of which you to my joy you give me hereafter.

Very successively in like manner, I bid you adieu that my good son  
Arthur be capitulated to my young said plantation where he shall  
attain the full age of eighteen. But my well beloved wife and  
wife Mary Maple may quietly enjoy the third of my said land  
during my life Natural life. And I leave unto my said son and wife  
my Negro woman called Sarah, the first child of my Negro man  
called Harry which next after the nativity of this world to live  
of to have and enjoy the said Harry during his Natural life and  
two of her said children the second being quiet orderly and son  
and the other said Negro woman having and using his said Negro children  
to enjoy the said land to him and his heirs forever. And give  
the third child of my said Negro Harry of the said Harry which may  
have such to my said son Arthur Maple, and his heirs forever.  
And give the first child of my said Negro Sarah Harry  
daughter Anne Maple and her heirs forever. And give to  
my said son Henry Maple the fourth child of my said Negro  
Harry to him and his heirs forever. And give to them of them  
before it that my said son Arthur Maple when he shall be  
of age to enjoy my said land as above. And take up my two sons  
John and Henry to live and labour with him till they

attain the full age of majority. But my will shall my dear  
wife Mary Maple may quietly enjoy the third of my said land  
during her Natural life. And I do entomoy said Deed to give  
my Negro woman called Sisie, and the first child my Negro woman  
Called Nancy Sisie next after the death of this will be entomoy  
of to Sisie and Nancy their said land during their Natural life for  
one of the third of my Negro woman called Sisie and son  
and their wife Negro woman Nancy and my Negro woman  
to enjoy the said to them and their children forever.  
the third child of my Negro Nancy if still living upon the day  
she die to my said Sisie and son Maple, and his/her children forever.  
Hence give the first child of my said Negro woman Nancy  
daughter Anne Maple and her children forever. Then I give to  
my said son Henry Maple the fourth child of my said Negro  
Nancy to him and his/her children forever. And by these and  
before it that my said son Arthur Maple when he die at  
the age to enjoy my land as above. And take my two sons  
John and Henry to live and labour will him like they  
will attain their respective ages of one and twenty. And after  
ward that he allow each of them a competency of living  
money and proportion with him. Then give unto my godson  
John Clegg & Red Clegg not washed with the last the funeral  
therefore to be marked with a rope of plaited and unbleached osier  
then give my draft to the East to my said son Arthur Maple  
Then give my Sisie unto my said Negro woman  
Each of the said Sisie to have enough of rent, so to  
live for all Bred or for all the benefit of time. And if any  
said child dies. Then give all my apparel and beddens  
A chaise draft to Sisie by me and sequall in all the said goods  
of my said Negro woman and her children to Sisie and her  
children to have and to hold for ever.

and my will fully performed & myself requesting them to do so and a  
said Specie is promised their right and we do hereby desire that all  
said Bank notes shall be taken up at the time of sale and delivered to us  
or above he likewise may take unto himself & Carefull part & Stake  
in & take care of the same. Right appearance to take the same thereby revoked  
make known to me and others will by word or stamp in writing, And Re-  
questing the like may also well understand & know whereof  
I do execute full my last Will this 19 day of Sept 1712.

Signed Sealed Published and  
Subscribed in the presence of John Nafle  
Police Officer the 19th day of Sept 1712

Arthur Nafle, son of the wife of John  
Nafle produced the same in Court & having made  
the same according to law it was proved in Court by  
one of the witnesses to it & admitted to record

for Willmard Esq.

In Additional Inventory of the Estate of Wm.  
1654 of Tobacco 3 Tob Hds & Corner Barrell 14.  
Wheat 1 Bushell of Beans 2 pds Old broken Tyllins do.  
Soy 3 lbs Cash 1 old iron mallet. Eliz E. Allor  
by a Court held for the like County the first day of  
Sept 1712.

An additional inventory of the Wm. Wm. estate was also  
taken and recorded.

True and perfect Inventory of the Estate of Wm. Wm. etc.