

The 4. day of January 1742.  
This Inventory and Appraisement of the Estate of William Briston  
decd was returned and Ordered to be Recorded.

Test Tho. Price Clerk  
Truly Recorded Test. Tho. Price

Backholder  
Will.

In the name of God Amen Samuel Backholder of the  
Parish of Christ Church, in the County of Middlesex and Colony of  
Virginia being sick and Weak in Body, but of Perfect Sense and Memory  
do make this my Last Will & Testament, in manner & form following viz.  
Imprimis I Give to my beloved Wife Katharine, my Negro woman  
named Merday and my negro woman named Jenny, during her  
Natural life and after her decease, my Will is that the said Negroes may  
be valued and their valuations Equally Divided among my sons Joseph  
Jacob & Benjamin as they shall attain to the Age of Twenty one  
Years. Respectfully I Give & bequeath to my beloved and lawful  
Backholder a Negro Boy named Robin, to him & his heirs I Give & be-  
queath to my beloved wife Katharine all my Land that I purchased of Henry & Rich.

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Lying on the North side the Road to him and his heirs lawfully  
Bequeathed. Item I Give & bequeath to my beloved son Henry  
all the Land aforesaid lying on the South side the Road to him  
of his heirs lawfully bequeathed when he shall Attain to the Age  
of Twenty one Years. Item I Give to my son Joseph a negro  
Girl named Harriet of her Increase to him & his heirs, when he  
shall Attain to the age of twenty one Years. Item I Give to my  
beloved son Jacob a Negro woman named Frank to him & his  
heirs when he shall <sup>attain to the age of twenty one Years</sup>  
Item I Give to my beloved son Benjamin when he shall  
Attain to the age of twenty one Years a negro Boy named  
Anthony to him and his heirs. My Will is that if the S<sup>d</sup> Frank  
should bring another Child, I Give it to my son Benjamin, &  
all other her Increase if any I Give to my son Jacob. Item  
I Give to my son Samuel after seeing my Brother William  
Bachelders heirs Satisfied a Will. Item I Give to my son  
James my Horse, Pistols & Goldens & sword. Item I Give to  
my son Henry my Buchanan. Item I Give to my son Joseph

James my Heirbone, Pistols Knolters & sword, I Item I Give to  
my son Henry my Buchanan, I Item I Give to my son Joseph  
my small Fowling Piece. My desire is that my sons Jacob and  
Benjamin may have Twenty Shillings each paid to them by,  
my sons Samuel, James, & Henry when they shall attain to the  
Age of Twenty one Years. I Item I Give to my sons James Henry  
Joseph Jacob & Benjamin, all my Stocks Household Goods &c  
that is on the plantation I now live on to be Equally divided among  
them after my beloved Wifes decease. I Item I Give to my son Samuel

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Red Two Cows, Two Calves, Two Swine, Two Ducks, Two geese, & flying  
fowl, four Cyder Casks being at my Lower plantation and my  
Long Gun, My desire is that my son Samuel may take my sons  
Joseph, Jacob and Benjamin (if their Estates after my beloved  
Wifes decease) till they shall attain to the Age of twenty one Years  
Respectively, and teach them his Trade. My desire is that my  
Estate may not be brought to an Appraisalment I do make,  
Constitute, ordain and Appoint my beloved and chosen child of James  
Buchanan to be Executor of this my Last Will & Testament.  
I bind & bequeath this to

my sons Samuel, James, & Henry when they shall attain to the  
Age of Twenty one Years. Item I give to my sons James Henry  
Joseph Jacob & Benjamin, all my Stocks House hold Goods &c  
\* that is on the plantation I now live on to be Equally divided among  
them after my beloved Wifes decease. Item I give to my son Samuel  
Red Iron Corns, Two Calves Two Sows Two Cows Two Potatoes  
Pans, four Cyder Casks being at my Lower plantation and my  
Long Gun, My desire is that my son Samuel may take my sons  
Joseph, Jacob and Benjamin (or their Estates after my beloved  
Wifes decease) till they shall attain to the Age of twenty one Years  
Respectively, and teach them his Trade. My desire is that my  
Estate may not be brought to an Appraisalment I do make,  
Constitute, ordain and Appoint my beloved sons Samuel & James  
Batchelder to be Executors of this my Last Will & Testament.

signed & sealed, Published &  
declared in presence of us  
Henry & John N. N.  
Witness & Clerk

his  
Samuel J. Batchelder

August 10<sup>th</sup> 1742  
at the 20<sup>th</sup> of April next

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At a Court held for Middlesex County on Tuesday  
the 4<sup>th</sup> day of January 1742.

This Will was proved by the Oaths of the Witnesses thereto and Ordered  
to be Recorded And the within named Samuel Batchelder & James  
Batchelder having taken the Oath of Exors Certificate is Granted them  
for Obtaining a probate in due form.

Test Tho. Price to M<sup>rs</sup>  
Truly Recorded Test. Tho. Price

Bond for...  
Probate of  
Batchelder's Est  
Know all men by these presents that We Samuel Batchelder &  
James Batchelder and Thomas Price Gent are held & firmly bound  
unto Christopher Robinson, James Reid, John Walker, John  
Robinson and Christopher Curtis Gent Justices in the Commission  
of the Peace for Middlesex County for and in behalf, and to the sole  
use and behoof of the Justices of the S<sup>d</sup> County, and their Successors, in  
the sum of five hundred Pounds Current money to be paid to the S<sup>d</sup>  
Justices their Executors, Administrators, and Assigns: To the which  
Payment well and truly to be made, We bind our selves, & every of us