

Elisha Duke, Sr. I, Elisha Duke, of the Upper Parish of Hanover County, State of Virginia being
Will sick, but of good mind and memory. Considering the Mortality of my body, do make,
and ordain this my only will and testament in manner and form following to wit:
1st, I bequeath to my son Elisha Duke, the Land and Plantation whereon I live, to him
and his Heirs, to his and their use and behoof forever. Also I further bequeath to
him one bed and the furniture thereunto belonging, a cart and wheels, one fine chest
blue, a Hand mill, two Steers, a white sow and 8 pigs, eight shoats, of the first chase
three storks of Beer, a Dutch oven, a large pot, one wooden wheel, one Loom
two axes, three weeding hoes, and one grubbing hoe, and all the Corn, Fodder, meat
and peas that I have at the present growing crops to him and his heirs forever,
2^d I bequeath to my son Francis Duke, the Tract or parcel of Land called the Cole-
man Land to him and his heirs forever also the piece or parcel of Land I bought
of my daughter Mariba Duke, see deed, provided however that if the said
Francis Duke should die without a lawful issue from his body, then said Land
or Lands, shall come back and belong to my son Elisha Duke, to him and his
Heirs forever. 3^d I bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth, one bed and the Furniture
thereunto belonging. To her and her heirs forever. 4th I bequeath to Matilda
Ballard, one Bed and the Furniture thereunto belonging, to her and her Heirs
forever. 5th My wish and desire is that all the rest and residue of my Estate
be sold at Public Sale, and the money arising from the Sales thereof be equally
divided among my children, provided however that Matilda Ballard
have an equal part with them. 6th I constitute and appoint my brother
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Witness
John C. Goodrich
John W. Arline,
Drury H. Hollans

At a Monthly Court, held for Nassau County the 13th day of April
1868
This Last Will and Testament of Elisha Duke Sr, late of this County dece-
ased, was this day fully proved by the oaths of John W. Arline and Drury
H. Hollans, two of the subscribing witnesses hereto, and was thereupon
ordered to be recorded.

Teste.

John B. Prentiss, Clerk

Exhibit

Dr. The Estate of Mrs Sarah J Elliott deceased.

or