

James Goodman's will

In the name of God Amen I, James Goodman of the County  
 Parish of Nancymede County Seeing of sound mind and memory  
 calling to mind the weakness and infirmity of my Body do make &  
 constitute and ordain this to be my last will and testament that is  
 to say principally and first. I give and recommend my soul to gods  
 who gave it to mee and my Body to the earth from which it came,  
 as touching such temporal Estate wherein with it has pleased gods to bestow  
 mee with in this life I give and dispose of in the following manner and  
 form to wit; and first I bequeath to my Beloved wife Priscilla Goodman  
 my plantation wherein I now live during her life or widowhood and  
 after her death or widowhood that may happen first I give it to my  
 Brother James Goodman wherein I now live and to his heirs for  
 ever wherein I bequeath to my Beloved wife Priscilla Goodman during  
 life or widowhood the following negroes namely Cader Bontons & wife,  
 Nancy near Senier Willis Nancy and Sam and Jeremy after her  
 death or widowhood which ever may happen first I give to my Brother  
 James Goodman Sam James Goodman Cader Bontons Sam &  
 Nancy & old Jeremy & Nancy to him and his heirs and assigns forever  
wherein I bequeath to my Beloved wife all of my household and kitchen  
 furniture two carriage houses Billy & Charley & carriage and harness  
 also two Pair Cart and wheels and gear three cows and calves and three  
 sows and pigs two plows and gear to have during her life or widowhood  
 after her death or widowhood to go wherein I shall hereafter give it  
wherein I bequeath to my sister Chancy Daughtery the plantation that I  
 purchased of Mile Daughtery wherein she now lives

Now I lend to my beloved wife all of my household and kitchening  
furniture two carriage horses Billy & Charley & carriage and harness  
also two Pair Cart and wheels and gear three cows and calves and three  
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after her death or widowhood to go where I shall hereafter give it  
Now I lend to my sister Cheary Daughtrey the plantation that I  
purchased of Mile Daughtrey where she now lives during her life  
after her death I give it to her son Barnes Daughtrey and to his heirs  
forever also I lend all of the property I have a deed in trust for against  
Barn Daughtrey to my sister Daughtrey during her life after her  
death I give it to her living children Now I lend to my sister  
Cheary Daughtrey one negro girl Betty during her life after her  
death I give her to three single daughters the youngest to shear  
Eagel Now I lend to John Langston wife Nancy Langston one  
negro man Sam which is in their possession and the bonds which  
I hold against John Langston to have during her life and  
after her death to her living children and their heirs and  
assigns forever Now I give unto Susan Daughtrey my niece  
three negroes namely Cader a boy Maithy a girl and Scaly a  
girl to have and have heirs forever Now I lend to James B. Gordon  
the plantation where he moved from joining Joseph Duke and  
others and negro man Sam during his life after his death to his  
living children and to their heirs forever Now I give unto my  
sister Betsy Brit two hundred dollars in Bonds which will  
Be paid out of my estate - Now I give to my Brother Benjamin

Goodman two sons Hutchings & Geo Goodman one hundred  
 dollars each to Thomas and these heirs forever Item I give and  
 bequeath to my nease Meany E. Harrell Samuey Harrells wife  
 one hundred dollars and to her heirs forever. Item I lend to  
 Sumpsey Goodman the John Goodman and Bartacks of land  
 during his life after his death to his living children and these  
 heirs forever. Item I give and bequeath unto my sister Sally  
 Langston two hundred dollars in Bonds out of my Estate to her  
 and her heirs forever. Item I give and bequeath to my sister Eduey  
 Milters two hundred dollars and to her heirs forever Item I give  
 and bequeath unto Smith Riddick Edward Riddick wife one  
 hundred dollars to her and her heirs forever Item I give and  
 bequeath to my Brother James Goodman son John Goodman  
 my Sijups track of land to him and to his heirs forever Item I give  
 and bequeath to my Brother Barre Goodman son James, the track  
 bought of Miles Griffin to him and to his heirs forever Item I give  
 and bequeath to Brother James Goodman my water mill in  
 gatz County and to his heirs forever. Item I give and bequeath  
 unto James Goodman my lot in the town of Suffolk and to his  
 heirs forever Item I give and bequeath unto Benjamin  
 Riddick now son Willis son provided he pays the amounts due  
 my Estate and if he do not comply I give the said negroes to John Goodman  
 my Brother Barre Goodman son Item I give and bequeath unto my  
 my Sister Cheary daughter son James Daughtrey one negro boy  
 now to him and his heirs forever Item I give and bequeath to James

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Goodman the names of the following negroes and increase Annistand  
Munden to take care of Prutise & Willis Bought of James Parker Dec<sup>d</sup>  
Mandey and two children bob and hear negis child which I don't now  
his name a boy Sally and two children Harry and a girl and all of them  
increase Lucy Mandey oldest daughter to my Brother James Goodman  
and to his heirs forever. Now I give and bequeath to my sister Nancy Riddick  
five hundred dollars in bonds out of my Estate to hear and hear heirs  
forever. Now I give and bequeath to my sister Catharine Dukes  
five hundred dollars to be paid in Bonds to be paid out of my Estate  
Now I give and bequeath unto James Daughtrey one negro boy Gilbert  
and to his heirs forever. Now I give to my loving wife Priscilla Goodman  
one year provisions of cow meat or pork and fodder for her family which  
she may have and one hundred dollars in bonds. Now I give and bequeath  
unto my Brother James Goodman and sister Nancy Riddick & Catharine  
Dukes, all of my wifes Dower right after her death of the property I have  
sent her to share a like also I give to my niece Susan Daughtrey fifty  
dollars out of my Estate to hear and hear heirs forever. Now give to B.  
James Goodman & sister Nancy Riddick & Catharine Dukes all of my  
property of every kind that is not heretofore named in this will to share and  
share alike after the death of my wife and after paying out all of the  
legases I have heretofore given away. I now leave my request to Brother  
James Goodman to pay funeral and Burial Expence and my Body to be  
interred at my feathered odd place where my feathered and mother  
is Buried. And it is my will and desire for my Executor to have the  
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and fixt my seal, to this my last will and Testament in the  
year June 4th: 1845. I do an nominate and appoint my Brother  
James Goodman my sole and sole Executor to this my last will  
and Testament.

Said sealed and acknowledgd.

James Goodman 

At a Monthly Court held for Nauseumund County the 9th day  
of September 1861.

This writing, purporting to be the last will and Testament  
of James Goodman, late of this County deceased, was this day  
presented to the Court by James Goodman, the Executor herein  
named. And there being no subscribing witnesses to the said will,  
John D. Phipps, being duly sworn deposed and said, that he  
was at the house of the deceased shortly after his death and in  
looking over the papers of the deceased with other individuals, he  
found the paper, offered as the will, of the deceased, in a book with  
valuable deeds, in an envelope and in a safe drawer, and the paper  
presented to the Court, is the same paper found. Hamilton S. Copes,  
James B. Maykut and Wilson Maykut, were also sworn, and severally  
deposed that they were well acquainted with the hand writing, of  
the said James Goodman deceased, and verily believe that the  
said will and the signature hereto subscribed are wholly in the  
hand writing, of the said James Goodman deceased, whereupon  
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The same is ordered to be recorded as the true last will and Testament  
of the said James Goodman deceased. And on the motion of  
James Goodman, the only executor named in the said will,  
who ~~was~~ made oath as the law directs, and entered into a bond,  
in the penalty of one hundred and twenty thousand dollars,  
conditioned according to law with Jethro Kiddick, Edward  
C. Kiddick, James K. Saunders, Humphrey Jones (Cly) and Wiley  
Duckes, (Cly) his sureties, therein (who justified on oath as to  
their sufficiency and which said Bond, being acknowledged by  
the obligors therein is ordered to be recorded), Certificate is  
granted the said James Goodman, for obtaining a probat of the  
said will, in due form.

Teste,

Peter B. Proutis, Clerk

A Copy:

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Nansemond County Court  
Clerk's Office September  
the 14th: 1861.

In the Clerk's Office of Nansemond County Court, the 10th: day of  
March 1866.

This duly authenticated copy of the last will and  
Testament of James Goodman deceased, with the certificate  
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of said Court; and on the application of said Kiddick,  
is recorded anew: the book in which the same was  
originally recorded, having been destroyed by the burning of



The Clerk's Office and records on the 7th day of February 1866.

Teste,

Peter B. Prentiss, Clerk.

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Exam Jenkins' I, Exam Jenkins, of the County of Nausmond and State of Virginia  
will being of sound mind and memory, but considering the uncertainty of my  
earthly existence do make and declare this my last will and testa-  
ment, in manner and form following:

Item, I give and bequeath unto my beloved son Henry W. Jenkins, the sum of  
six thousand dollars, to be raised out of my estate, the said six thousand  
dollars, to be paid to my said son Henry W. Jenkins, by my executor hereinafter  
named, in three annual instalments, of two thousand dollars each, to him and  
his heirs forever.

Item, I lend unto my beloved wife, Elizabeth Jenkins, seven negroes, named Sam,  
Nat, Saky, Dina, Lewis, Harry and Meridy during her natural life.

Item, I give and bequeath unto my beloved daughter Scora B. Jenkins, nine  
negroes, named Gary, Dr. Rufus, Jack, Tom, Netty, Billy, Sallie, Dinny and  
Olive, and after the death of my wife Elizabeth Jenkins, I give and bequeath  
unto my daughter Scora B. Jenkins, Sam, Nat, Saky, Dina, Lewis, Harry and  
Meridy, unto my said daughter Scora B. Jenkins and her heirs forever.

Item, I give and bequeath unto my beloved daughter Lucretia J. Langston, wife  
of Isaac Langston, thirteen negroes, named Chloe, Nelson, Joseph, Dallas,  
Taylor, Oseo, Charlotte, Harry, Maria Franklin, Mourning, Antony and Ben,