

Joseph Saunders I. Joseph Saunders of Nancemond County State of Virginia do hereby make my
Will last will and testament, in the manner and form following that is to say 1st.
I desire that a sufficiency of my perishable estate be immediately sold after my
decease, for the purpose of paying all my just debts and funeral expences. 2nd.
after all my just debts and funeral expences shall have been paid, I give unto
my wife Edith Saunders, during her natural or widowhood, all the balance
of my estate, both real and personal; with this proviso nevertheless that my
said wife, is to pay to my daughter Nancy Saunders, the sum of twenty dollars
in money: but my wife is hereby allowed two years from my death to pay the
said twenty dollars. 3th: after the death of my wife, I give to my son Thomas
Saunders, my Upper Plantation joining the lands of Hugh H. Williams and
Isaac U. Luke, and cornering on Charles Oliver's land. 4th: after the death of
my wife, I give to my son George Saunders, my ^{lower} Plantation or old farm,
joining Charles Oliver at a corner pine, and runs to a haw bush on the
main road, where it corners. 6th: it is my desire that if my son George Saun-
ders shall die before he arrives to the age of twenty one, that my son Thomas
Saunders, shall bear George Saunders portion or portions. 7th: after the death of
my wife, it is my desire that the balance of my estate, be equally divided
between my other children not hereof or named in this will, except my dau-
ghter Nancy, who I desire shall share equally with the others. 8th: and lastly
I do hereby constitute and appoint Thomas Saunders my son, my executor
of this my last will and testament. In witness whereof, I have hereunto
set my hand and affixed my seal, this 28th day of July in the year of our Lord
1843.

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Signed, sealed, published and declared,
by Joseph Saunders as and for his last Will
and testament in the presence and hearing of
us, who at his request and in his presence
have subscribed our names as witnesses.

Wm R. Jordan.
Stephen G. Darden.
R. H. Webb.

At a Monthly Circuit Court held for Nancemann County, the 10th day of December, 1866.

This writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Joseph Saunders late of this county deceased, was this day produced in Court by Thomas G. Saunders in order to be proved, whereupon Stephen G. Darden, one of the subscribing witnesses thereto being sworn having testified in Court that he said Joseph Saunders acknowledged and published the same in his presence as and for his last will and testament, that he subscribed his name as a witness thereto in the presence of the said testator and in the presence of Wm R. Jordan and R. H. Webb, the other subscribing witnesses thereto (all four being present together) and that he saw the said Wm R. Jordan and R. H. Webb

who are now dead, subscribe their names thereto, also in his presence and at his request, and having also testified that the said Testator, was of sound mind and memory, as far as he knew or believed; and the said Stephen G. Darden Richard C. Reddick Jr and C. H. Causey being sworn severally deposed in Court, that they were well acquainted with the hand writing of the said R. H. Webb, having often seen him write, and verily believe that his signature as a subscribing witness to said will, to be genuine and in his own proper hand writing; Whereupon, the said writing, is ordered to be recorded as the true last will and testament of the said Joseph Saunders, deceased.

Teste:

Peter B. Prentiss, Clerk

Signed

Risher Ruby's
Will. In the name of God, amen. I Risher Ruby of the upper parish of Nandahood County, State of Virginia being in an infirm state of health but of sound mind and disposing memory, recollecting the uncertainty of this life, do make and ordain this to be my last will and testament revoking all other wills by me heretofore made. And as to my worldly estate, which it hath pleased God to bless me with, I give and dispose of as follows. I give to my daughter Barshetta Ruby two feather beds and clothing and one white Counterpan and other clothing, one table, one chest, one spinning wheel and cards, - two cooking pots and one spider and one frying pan, one loom, one set of crockery ware consisting of cups, saucers, dishes, bowls &c. three stool-bottom chairs with other household and kitchen furniture. Whereas my hand and seal, this 8th day of February 1862.

Risher Ruby 
