

to, and was received in consideration of a sum of money, and
County the 15th day of October 18th The same was fully proved by the oath of Geo. W.
Hookey, the other subscribing witness thereto and ordered to be recorded: and on
the motion of Anne Ker, the only Executrix named in the said will, who made
oath as the law directs, and entered into a bond in the penalty of One thou-
sand Dollars, conditioned according to Law (but without security, the will de-
recting that none should be required of her, and which said bond being ac-
knowledgeed by the obligor therein, is ordered to be recorded.) Certificate is grant-
ed the said Anne Ker, for obtaining a probate of said will in due form.

Testes.

Peter B. Pentis. Clerk.

Exam'd

Mills Riddick's Will. I Mills Riddick of the Town of Suffolk County, of Nansemond and State
of Virginia, considering the uncertainty of life and the duty of being prepared
for death, do make and ordain this my last will and Testament hereby revoking
all former wills by me, at any time made.

1st. I give and bequeath unto my dearly beloved wife Mary Riddick, the sum of
Six thousand Dollars, to be raised in cash, out my estate, to her and her heirs for-
ever.

2^d. I give and devise unto my said wife my two lots of land in the said Town of
Suffolk, whereon I reside, together with all the buildings and improvements
thereon and lands attached thereto: also the following slaves, namely, Charles,
Humfrey, Charlott and her children, Lucy and her children, and any free other of
my slaves, whom she may choose, and select: My carriage and horses; all my plate
household and kitchen furniture of every sort kind and description, I say to her and

and her heirs forever. And I do hereby declare my intention to be that this provision together with the provision contained in the first clause and subsequent provisions herein made for my said wife, shall be in lieu of her dower and distributive share in my Estate.

3^d I give and devise unto my son Miles Edward Reddick, the land and plantation, situated on the White Marsh, in this County, commonly called the "Old Place" on which I formerly resided and which I derived from my Father, I say, to my said son Miles Edward Reddick, for and during his natural life only: at his death I give and devise the said land and plantation to the lawfully begotten child or children, whom my said son may leave living at his death: and should my said son leave no such child or children, then and in that case, I give and devise the said land and plantation to my surviving sons.

4th I give and devise unto my son Josiah Reddick all my right title and interest, both in law and equity which I have of in and to the land and plantation with the Mill thereto attached whereon he resides, commonly called "Soldier's Hope" late the residence and property of my deceased brother Col^l: Josiah Reddick.

5th As my son Washington La Fayette Reddick, is now from home, engaged in the study of the Law and it being my wish and intention that he shall continue his studies, I hereby charge my Estate with the payment of One thousand Dollars, for that object. which sum of money is to be raised out of my Estate without breaking in upon any of the other legacies herein before mentioned.

6th It is my will and desire and I do hereby order and direct, that my old and faithful negro-man Edmond, shall be allowed to remain on the plantation where he now stays, and my Executors hereinafter named are directed to pay him annually the sum of Twenty Five dollars; should he live so long as to become aged and infirm, I charge and require my Executors to take care of and support him comfortably out of my estate.

7th: All the rest and residue of my estate of every kind, sort and description, in full possession, expec-

lancy or action, I will, order and direct shall be sold and conveyed by my Executors hereinafter to be named, when in their opinion it can be most advantageously done, and on such terms as they shall think most expedient in the proceeds of sales (except the "Albemarle Company's Stock" which I shall hereafter dispose of) I give and bequeath to my sons, - Richard & Reddick Sen^r. Joseph Riddick, M^r. Edward Riddick, Nathaniel Riddick and Washington La Fayette Riddick: my daughters Mary A. Webb, Juliana Wood and Cornelia Ballou, and the living children of my daughters Diana Desorway, - and Maria J. McGuire, and to be divided into ten shares or portions. But before this distribution and division of sales takes place, all advancements made by me to any of my children must be fairly valued and deducted from their portions, and from the shares or portions given to the living children of my daughters Diana Desorway and Maria J. McGuire all advancements made by me to their fathers must be subjected to the same valuation and deduction with my sons and daughters as aforesaid. My object and intention is, to produce equality in all the shares mentioned in this clause of my will.

8th: As my share or stock in the Albemarle Company situate in the State of North-Carolina, is, as I design it shall be, liable to sale, under the immediate preceding clause of this my will, I assign upon my Executors hereinafter named to keep a vigilant eye upon the movements and progress of that Company, and to be governed in the sale of it, by the force of circumstances. Until a sale shall be made I give and devise to my said wife. One third part of the dividends or profits, arising and accruing therefrom: After a sale shall be effected, I give to my said wife, one third part of the proceeds thereof; the remaining two thirds of the dividends or profits and of the sales, I give to my said sons and daughters, and the living children of my daughters Diana Desorway and Maria J. McGuire, as mentioned in the seventh clause of this will.

9th: I do hereby constitute and appoint my beloved wife Mary Riddick, Executor, and

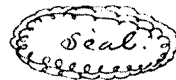
My sons, Richard H. Riddick Sen. and Nathaniel Riddick Executors of this, my last will and testament I request the Court, to whom this paper writing shall be offered for probate, to permit my said Executors and Executors to qualify without requiring security of them for the performance of the trust reposed in them. and in the event of only one or more of them, should qualify, I repeat the request that no security, be required of her, him or them. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal, this 28th day of February 1844.

Signed, sealed, published and declared
as and for the Last will and Testament
of the above named Miles Riddick.
in presence of us.

R. R. Prentiss. Jas. D. Prentiss.

Joseph Prentiss.

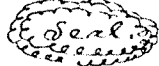
Miles Riddick.



I the within named Miles Riddick, do make this, present codicil to my, within will, which I hereby declare shall be taken as a part thereof. I do hereby revoke so much of the devise and bequest contained in the seventh clause thereof as would embrace the sale of all my slaves which I had not particularly bequeathed and disposed of; and in lieu thereof I give and devise all my slaves, with their future increase of the females (except those already disposed of in my said will) to my sons Richard H. Riddick Sen. Josiah Riddick, Miles Edward Riddick, Nathaniel Riddick & Washington La. Jay. Riddicks, my daughters Mary A. Webb Julia Anna Wood and Cornelia Cotton, and to the living children of my daughter Diana D. S. S. way and Maria J. McGuire. and to be divided into ten shares or portions, to be divided between them in the same manner and subject to the same terms and conditions as mentioned and expressed in the said 7th clause of my said will. No other part of the said 7th clause is to be affected by this codicil. My intent and meaning simply is, that my slaves shall be divided.

Tested, published and sealed, this 18th day of June 1844.

affected by this Codicil. My intent and meaning simply is, that my slaves shall be divided
and not sold. Witness my hand and seal, this 18th day of June 1844.
signed sealed, published and declared as and for the last will
and Testament, of the above named Mills Riddick in pres-
ence of us.
R. R. Prentiss, Jno B. Prentiss, Joseph Prentiss. . . .

Mills Riddick 

At a Monthly Court held for Nausamond County, the 11th day of October 1844.
This Last will and Testament, together with the Codicil annexed, of Mills Riddick deceased
was proved by the oaths of Robert R. Prentiss John B. Prentiss, and Joseph Prentiss, the
subscribing witnesses, thereto, and ordered to be recorded: and on the motion of Richard
H. Riddick son and Nathaniel Riddick the Executors therein named who made
oath thereto entered into and acknowledged their bond in the penalty of one thousand
thousand Dollars, conditioned as the law directs without security, the will requi-
ring none, Certificate is granted them for obtaining a probate of the said will in
due form. Liberty being reserved to Mary Riddick, the executrix named in the said will
to join in the probate when she shall think fit.
Teste.

Joseph Prentiss Clerk.

State of Virginia: Nausamond County to wit:

I Joseph Prentiss, Clerk of the County Court of
Nausamond County, in the State of Virginia, do hereby certify that the foregoing
is a true transcript from the records of the said Court.

In testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and
annex the seal of the said Court this 14th day
of February A.D. 1851.

Joseph Prentiss Clerk.



State of Virginia: Nansemond County To Wit:

J. Hardy Crabs, Presiding Justice of the Court of
Nansemond County, in the state aforesaid, do hereby certify that the attestation
hereto annexed, made by Joseph Prentiss Clerk of the said Court, is in due
form: Given under my hand at the County of Nansemond this 28th day of
February in the year 1851.

Hardy Crabs.

State of North Carolina
Washington County.

February Term: 1854.

An Exemplification of the will of Mills Riddick
late a resident of the State of Virginia, conveying property in the State of North
Carolina, said will having been duly proved and allowed in said State of
Virginia, is produced in Open Court, and said exemplification being certi-
fied and authenticated agreeably to law, on motion it is ordered by the Court
that it be and it hereby is filed allowed and ordered, recorded. Said will
is in words letters & figures, as before set forth. Given under the Seal
of our said Court. attest:

J. H. Fagan, Clerk



In the Clerk's office of Nansemond County Court. The 21st day of
October 1867.

This only, authenticated copy of the last will and Testament of Mills
Riddick deceased, with the certificates thereon was produced by Richard
H. Riddick sen. and Nathaniel Riddick. Executors of said deceased
and on their application, is recorded anew; the book in which the same
was originally recorded, having been destroyed by the burning of the Clerk's

Form given under
February in the year 1851.

Hardy, Cpls.

State of North Carolina }
Washington County. }

February Term: 1854:

An Exemplification of the will of Mills Riddick late a resident of the State of Virginia, conveying property in the State of North Carolina, said will having been duly proved and allowed in said State of Virginia, is produced in Open Court, and said exemplification being certified and authenticated agreeably to law, on motion it is ordered by the Court that it be and it hereby is filed allowed and ordered, recorded. Said will is in words letters & figures, as before set forth. Given under the Seal of our said Court. attest:

J. H. Fagan, Clk



In the Clerk's office of Nansemond County Court. The 21st day of October 1867.

This only, authenticated copy of the last will and Testament of Mills Riddick deceased, with the Certificates thereon was produced by Richard H Riddick Sen. and Nathaniel Riddick. Executors of said deceased and on their application, 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

Exam'd

James H Harris & Co whose names, are hereunto assigned do, certify that James H. Har