

Know all men by these presents, that I Charles H. Bennis Senr. of the County of New Kent
and State of Virginia, farmer, being in good health of sound mind and memory, do
make and publish this my last and Testament and as to my worldly estate
and all the personal property or mixed of which I shall die seized and possessed
or to which I shall be entitled at the time of my decease. I devise, bequeath and
dispose thereof in the manner following to wit: I give ^{devise} and bequeath to my
afflicted daughter Mary C. Bennis for her use and benefit or to dispose of as she
may think best for her benefit, all of my household and kitchen furniture
except that which she purchased with her own funds, also that part of the furniture
which was purchased by my daughter Martha C. Bennis with her own funds. I
also give to my daughter Mary C. Bennis all of my farming implements and
machinery of ever description, Horses, Cattle, Hogs, Sheep, Cows, &c, all the Crops that
may be growing on the farm, Hay, oats, Fodder Corn &c all the rest and residue
of my estate real personal and mixed of which I shall die seized and possessed
or to which I shall be entitled, at my decease. I give devise and bequeath
to be equally divided between and among all of my children. And lastly I do
nominate and appoint my daughter Mary C. Bennis to be the Executor of this my
will and Testament, and hereby ask and request that no security be required
of her to qualify as the Executor of this my will. My Debts and all of my
debts and debts to be the property of my daughter Mary C. Bennis. In testimony
whereof I the said Charles H. Bennis Senr. have to this my will and Testament Subscribed
my name and affixed my Seal this 16th day of August in the year of Our
Lord One thousand Eight hundred and Eighty Eight, (1888)

Examined

Examined of my estate real personal and mixed of which I shall die seized and possessed
to which I shall be entitled at my decease. I give devise and bequeath
to be equally divided between and among all of my children. And lastly I do
Nominate and appoint my daughter Mary C. Bennis to be the Executor of this my
will and Testament. and hereby ask and request that no security be required
of her to qualify as the Executor of this my will. My Debt and all of my
papers and books to be the property of my daughter Mary C. Bennis. In testimony
whereof I the said Charles H. Bennis Senr. have to this my will and Testament Subscribed
my name and affixed my Seal this 16th day of August in the year of Our
Lord One Thousand Eight hundred and Eighty Eight, (1888)

Chas. H. Bennis Senr. (Seal)

Signed sealed and delivered by the said Chas. H. Bennis Senr in the
presence of us at his request and in his presence and in the presence of
each other have subscribed our names as witnesses thereto.

July 31st 1889

Wm. M. Sherman

George W. Mantel

New Kent County Court March 13th 1890.

The last will and Testament of Charles H. Bennis deceased was presented the
Court proved by the oaths of Wm. M. Sherman and George W. Mantel
the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded.

Teste

Wm. M. Sherman

New Kent County, Virginia Will No. 2, 1880-1891
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