

In presence of _____

Wm. Galbreath

Anne ^{his} Denby
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Edw. Postlock —

Francis Richard & Seal

December court 1771 proved and lodged for exor Jan'y
1772 granted adm. as by order Book

In the Name of God Amen. I, Doro Holthead of Norfolk County being of
sound mind and perfect memory thanks be to god Do make and ordain this
my last will and Testament in the manner and form following that is I
say first I commend my soul unto the hands of Almighty god my
Heavenly father by whom of his ~~most~~ great grace I trust to be saved
and thence into Eternal Rest through the Death of my saviour and

Redeemer Jesus Christ in whose precious blood I set
the whole and only hope of my salvation and my body
in hopes of a joyful Resurrection I commit to the
earth to be decently buried at the discretion of my
executors hereafter named and touching the dis-
position of all my temporal estate I give and dispose
thereof in the manner and form following I desire
that all my debts and funeral charges shall be paid
and discharged I give devise and bequeath to my
son Edward Halsead one pair of water mill stones
and two hundred and odd acres of land in the
fork of Pasquotank to him his heirs and assigns for-
ever which he has had in possession some time
before this my will was made I give devise and
bequeath to my son Arer Halsead a track of land
containing two hundred and odd acres and one
cow and lamb to him his heirs and assigns for-
ever I give devise and bequeath to my son Simon
Halsead one hundred and sixty four acres of

land adjoining to James Wilson Junr to him his
heirs and assigns forever. I give devise and be-
queath to my son Samuel Halstead the land that
now lie on from a Chickpin tree standing on the
side of a branch or run and from thence running a
straight course to a parimmon tree standing near a
few grape trees that stands on the back side of my
corn field and from thence running a straight course
out at the head of my land but if it please God that
my aforementioned son Samuel should die not
leaving any lawful issue it is my desire that
my son John Halstead should inherit the part as-
signed to him forever but if a lawful issue should
appear it is to remain to the said same Samuel
and his heirs forever. I give devise and bequeath to
my son Samuel Halstead two islands adjoining
to my land the Bee tree Island and the Wolf Island
during his natural life and afterwards it is
my desire that my son Thomas should inherit

and I desire that my name be forever given
device and bequeath to my son Thomas Halstead
all the remaining part of my land that I now
live on from the aforementioned Chickpea tree
running a straight course to a marked pear
tree and from thence to a new line that I in-
tended to make and if not made the aforemen-
tioned line runs a straight course out at the head
of my land to him his heirs and assigns forever
I give device and bequeath to my son Samuel Hal-
stead his heirs and assigns forever one Negro fellow
named Joe and one Negro boy named Charles two
oval tables one looking glass one dozen leather
one chest of drawers and one bed, and furniture
likewise it is my desire that my son Samuel and
my daughters now living unmarried should
have the use and benefit of my Negro until my
son Samuel arrives to the age of twenty one years
but if any of my daughters should marry it is my
desire that they should have only the part that

desire that they should have my inheritance
shall be assigned to them in this my last will
and testament but if my aforementioned son
Jammie should die not leaving any lawful issue
then that the negro maned Charles should be
equally divided among three of my daughters
that is Mary Love and Elizabeth to them forever
and in case of no lawful issue I desire that
my daughter Elizabeth should have the above
mentioned Chest of drawers she and her heirs
forever and that my daughter Jean should have
the small oval table she and her heirs forever
and that my daughter Love should have the
large table she and her heirs and that my
daughter Mary should have the dozen of leather
chairs aforementioned she and her heirs forever
likewise it is my desire that Jammie should
have one pair of hand mill stones and one
notch pot and one small Soup pot to him his heirs

my daughter Ann Reed her heirs and assign forever
one negro fellow named Ned. I give devise and be-
queath to my daughter Elizabeth Halestead her heirs
and assign forever one negro wench named Vegas
and her offspring and one bed and furniture and one
black peacing near. I give devise and bequeath to my
daughter Jan Halestead her heirs and assign forever
one negro wench named Abby and her child named
Easter and their offspring and one bed and furniture
and one peacing near. I give devise and bequeath to
my daughter Love Halestead one negro wench named
Flora and her offspring and one bed and furniture
to her heirs and assign forever. I give devise and
bequeath to my daughter Mary Halestead her heirs
and assign forever one negro named Fydda and
one bed and furniture and the negro's offspring and
one horse colt named Dolphin. I give devise and be-
queath to my son John Halestead his heirs and as-
sign forever one negro boy named Levy and one

signed for ever and ever my right and
bed and furniture now in this house and like
one Island of Land adjoining to the said Ballance
swamp and if my son John should decease not
leaving any lawful issue then that the negro
boy named Foy should be my son James Hal-
stead's and his heirs forever. I give devise and
bequeath to my son Sattinor Halstead his heirs and
assigns forever one negro boy named Roger but if
my said son Sattinor should die not leaving any
lawful issue then said negro Roger is to be sold
or valued and my daughter Mary to have twenty
Pounds Virginia Currency of his value and the
remainder of the said fellows price is to be equally
divided among my other three daughters now un-
married. I give devise and bequeath that my daughters
now unmarried should have the use of both my
rooms with their brother James and likewise
that my daughters should have the use of my

My dear Swamp as long as they live unmar-
ried and afterwards it is my desire that
my son Thomas and Samuel should inherit
the said swamp they and their heirs forever.
And that all my horses cattle sheep and hogs should
be for the use of my daughters and my son Samuel
and their heirs but if any of my aforementioned
daughters should leave their sisters and not
be married that they should have their pro-
portionable part of the ~~benefit~~ of the ~~regro~~ ~~and~~
as long as they live unmarried and if an-
or either of them should marry they are to have
the part which has been assigned to them and
not to expect any more benefit of the said estate.
And all the rest of my personal estate goods and
chattels I give to my son Samuel forever. I do witness
I appoint my loving sons Simon & Thomas to be
to be my whole and sole executors of this my
last testament and do hereby revoke disannul
and annul all former wills and testaments by me made.

last testament and do hereby revoke disannul
and void all former wills and testaments by me
heretofore made either by word of mouth or in
writing in witness whereof the said Drew Halstead to
this my last will and testament have set my
seal this twentyfifth day of February in the
year of our God one thousand seven hundred and
one.

Drew Halstead & seal.

signed sealed and delivered
in the presence of us whose
names are subscribed as witnesses
in the presence of the testator.

Hugh Mills

Margret ^{her} Beeley
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