

Virginia Li: In the Name of God Amen. I ^{John} am of the
Borough of Norfolk in the Colony of Virginia Merch being at present
in a very weak & low State of Health, but of sound [&] Memory, and
considering the Uncertainty of Life, and Certainty of ^{Death} I do make ordain
publish & declare this my last Will and Testament as followeth. First &
Principally I commit my Soul into the Hands of God my Creator, and
my Body to the Earth to be buried in a decent manner ^{hoping} through the
Merits of Christ my Redeemer to be made Partaker of Etern. Happiness,
and as for such worldly Estate as it hath pleased God to bless me with after
my just Debts & funeral Expenses are fully paid & satisfied I give devise
Bequeath and Dispose thereof in Manner & Form as followeth, And
first it is my Will & Desire that the Sloop Molly when

John Ingram is at present, and whereof I am two third Parts Owner, as
soon as possible after her arrival here may again be fitted out for the
West Indies on Freight if possible if not, my Part to be loaded out in such
Commodities as my Executors hereafter named ~~shall~~ ^{may} think proper, my said
Ex^{rs} making Insurance for the full Value of my two thirds of said Vessel
Freight, or Cargo, and at her Arrival at the Port where bound to be sold for
the best Advantage for ready Money and the Proceeds of said Vessel, freight
or Cargo to be invested in such Commodities as shall be thought proper
by my Executors wth said Proceeds are to be shipped to them in Virginia and full
Insurance to be made thereon. Item, It is my Will & Desire that
the Sloop Harry whereof John Lyall is at present Master, and whereof
I am five twelfths Parts Owner as soon as possible after her arrival
here may be also fitted out for the West Indies in the same Manner, as
the aforesaid Sloop Molly, and at her Arrival at the Port where bound
to be sold in the same Manner as before directed in regard to Sloop Molly
and the Proceeds to be shipped to my Ex^{rs} in Virg^a they ordering full Insurance
to be made thereon as before Directed. Item, It is my Will that the Brig

as before Directed. I Wm, It is my Will that the Brig-
gantine With lately Launched of which I am to hold three Eight Parts
my Brother N m Hall & Cap James Dickinson to hold the remainin
five Eight P and to account with my Ex^{ts} for their s^d Parts, may be
immediately ~~sent~~ and fitted in Order to receive on Board such freight
as is abrea ged, or may hereafter be engaged for her on a Voyage to
Madaira, on in Voyage I desire full Insurance may be made in my
Part 'sai' of all Freight, or Cargoe, and that said Vessel return hwr with
her & hat Insurance be made Thereon.

I Wm. I give & bequeath to my dearly beloved Wife Jane Hall, all my household
Furn. re of what Nature or Kind soever to her sole Use & Disposal, I also
give to id beloved Wife Six Negroes named I with her Child Manuel,
Lettie Wick, and Norfolk and their Increase during her Life for the
better ng her to bring up my Children, William, Henry, Durham and
Dan & after her Decease, such of the a^{fo} rementioned Negroes,
and their Increase as are then alive to be Equally divided between my Said

Children, or the Survivors of them, as they come of Age, but in case
 my said beloved Wife should be ^{now} with Child, then the above mentioned
 Negroes & their Increase to be Equally divided between such Child and the
 above mentioned Children or the Survivor or Survivors of them. —

Item. I bequeath the best Residue & Remainder of my Estate not hereby
 already Disposed of unto my s^d beloved Wife & Children to be Equally
 divided between them, and I do hereby ~~constitute~~ ^{constitute} nominate & appoint my
 said beloved Wife Jane H. all, my Dearly beloved Brother William Hall
 my Friends Colonel Robert Tucker, & Christopher Perkins Executors of
 this my last Will & Testament. hereby revoking and making Null &
 Void all other Will or Wills ^{any time & by any} by me made, and declaring this & no other to
 be my last Will & Testament. IN WITNESS whereof I have hereunto
 set my hand & Seal this fourth Day of November in the Year Lord one
 thousand seven hundred & fifty.

Signed Sealed Published and
 Declared in the Presence of us

James Dickinson

Durham: W. H. Seal

Signed Sealed Published and
Decreed in the Presence of us.

James Dickinson
Archibald Campbell
Elizabeth Campbell

Memorandum to be added to my Will & Testament form made viz!
It is my ~~Will~~ & Desire that a Tract of Land w^{ch} I hold in Brunswick County
may be sold by my Ex^{rs} likewise a Lott or half a Lott of
by Can. Mainly may be sold in the like manner Witness me Hand this 16th of Jan^y
1754

Witness

Archibald Campbell
Thomas Dickinson
Mary Hickman

Durham & all g^{al}.

Norfolk County At Court held the 18th day of January
The Will of Durham & all g^{al}.

John Sam. Bass