

Wishes to be his last will and Testament in
presence of us who sub. wrote our names
in presence of the said Testator

James Boushell

John Bayns

In the name of God amen. I James Holt son of Tho.
Holt born at Hogg Island in the County of Surry in Virginia, at present
of the County of Norfolk Attorney at law, being of sound mind and Memory
do make this my last will and Testament in manner and form following
And do hereby revoke all former wills by me heretofore made

First. I desire my Executors may not demand any thing of my Clients for my
Fees in such suits as shall remain undetermined at my death which will be
known by comparing my Accounts with my docket

and bequeath to the Mayor, recorder, aldermen, and common council men
of the borough of Norfolk and their successors, in Trust for the benefit of the Inha-
bitants thereof, my Share of the Stocks of the Town point Company being
Fifty pounds. I also give to the said Corporation for the use and benefit
aforesaid, so much of The parcel of land situate on the west side of Fen Church
street in the S. borough, w^{ch} I purchased of Mr. Anthony Wake; as is Con-
tained within the following bounds. To wit, between the short street
which leads from church street to fen church street, thence along Fen
Church street, south Westwardly the course thereof to the corner of the Taling,
which bounded the land lately rented to John Marshope thence along that
Taling and the course thereof to the church street aforesaid which land so given
is always to left open for a street, or Market place, and not be inclosed or built on
Moreover my law books will be of little use to my wife, or my relations, and as they will
sell for a very small part of their value; therefore I give them to aforesaid
Mayor, recorder and Alderman and common council and their Successors

Sell for a very small part of their value; therefore I give them to aforesaid
Mayor, recorder and Alderman and common council and their Successors
in trust for the use of the Court of the county of Norfolk, & the Gentlemen
Lawyers practising in the S^d Court; and desire a case to hold them may be
provided at the Expence of my Estate; and that they be lodged in the
Deputys office of the said County and not lent out to any person
Item. I give and bequeath to my loving wife Ann Mott all the slaves which I hold
in right of her dower in her former Husbonds Estate. I also give to her Son
Ben all the slaves which came by her to wit, Jupiter Hannock & Sarah
& the following children born of Sarah, to wit. Ben. Tegg. Sarah. Sue
Charles. Pratchell. Hannah. Yarmouth. and Jupiter together with
The future Increase of the s^d female slaves.

Item. I desire my slave dick, which came to me from my Ancestors. and my
Slave Charles who I purchased, may each of them be sold by my Executor,
to any person they shall respectively chuse, Provided the P^rchasers will

give the appraised value, or three fourth parts thereof. and the Money arising
Such sale, together with a Debt, due to me from the Estate of Christopher H.
Decceased also a Debt. due to me from M^r. Lewis Sanford by Bond, and also
The Money due to me from Solomon Hodges of Mills Creek for a parcel
of Land sold / which Land I desire my Executors may convey to him on payment
of the purchase Money per Agreement / all which sums of Money or so much thereof
as shall be received by my Executors may be disposed of in the following man-
ner, that is to say, One half thereof I give to the Child my Brother Henry
had by his last Wife whose name I don't know. and the other half
I desire my Executors, may pay to my S^r. brother's Daughter Clerimond
on her day of Marriage, provided she does not marry a Scotchman,
but in Case she should marry a Scotchman then I give the whole of the Money
Afores. to my S^r. Brother's child by his last wife above mentioned

Item. I give to my said wife Ann all my right to the Estate of her son Samuel O'Neal.

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also all my Books (except Law Books) which belonged to her former Husband's
Estate which may be known by referring to the Appraisement of the S. Estate.

Item I also give and bequeath my S. Wife all my House hold & Kitchen ^{La Holt} Furniture (except
what is herein after mentioned) my riding Chair & black Horse, and also all the
Provision of Meat, Corn, Rum, Brandy, sugar and all other Kinds of Pro-
visions of Victuals & Drink which shall be laid in for family use at my Death.
I desire she may not give any Account thereof. I also give her all my silver plate.

Item I give to my Nephew James Holt son of my Brother Henry all the remain-
ing part of my books, together with all my Wearing Apparels of every Kind,
Two family Plain gold rings, one Pair of Brass barrel Pistols, and the following
Articles of House hold Furniture, to wit, one Dozen of Walnut Chairs, one Bed &
Furniture which I used to keep at Crooked run, One Corner Cupboard, one
Walnut oval Table and one blue Painted Chest with the Kitchen Furniture which
I used to keep at that plantation.

I desire that what money I have in the Continental Loan Office; also what is
Due to me from Wth Solomon Shepherd for the sale of my Negro Jack, also
What due to me in right of my wife from her Father's Estate; also what is due to me
From Edmund Almond and the Money arising by the sale of three Feather
Beddison at Wth Solomon Shepherds which I desire may be sold may be
Divided as follows one half to my wife. and the other half equally between my
S^{on} Stephen James Holt and his Brother Henry Holt.

Item. I give to my son in law Wth David Oghai & his heirs so much of a parcel of
Land which I purchased of Doct^r Webbwood as lies between his Land & the ^{Street} Bank

Item. I give to my Wife so much of the Sth parcel of Land as lies between her Land &
The back street to her & her Heirs

Item. I give to Wth Solomon Shepherd & Elizabeth his Wife my Daughter in Law
each one Mourning gold ring in remembrance of me

Item. I give to Samuel Shepherd son of the Above named Solomon & Elizabeth one
Lot of land which I purchased of Charles S. Boush situate at a place

Item. I give to Samuel Shepherd son of the Above named Solomon & Elizabeth one
Lot of land which I purchased of, Charles, S. Boush situate at a place
called landing point near the S. Borough bounded as in the S. Boush's
Deed is mentioned to him the said Samuel Shepherd & his Heirs for Ever—

Item. I give to Ann Bush Shepherds Daughter of the Above named Solomon & Elizabeth
to her Heirs, one other lot of land purchased of the S^r. Boush situate at the
Intersection of Wide street & Princeps Ann street, bounded as in the Boush's
Deed to me is mentioned

Item. I give / according to my Promise / my Gun to Anthony Lowson of Princeps Ann ^(Cygine)

Item I give my nephew James Holt aforesaid and to his Heirs for ever, all my
Lands lying in Saint Brides Parish on the lower Indian Creek of the
North West River w^{ch} I purchased of Samuel Warden, John Warden and
Samuel Wallis. Only reserving to my Wife the Privilege of living on & Occupying
the same during the Time she Choose to live thereon, or by the fate of War
The Provision made for her in Norfolk was destroyed, And it is

my will, ^{that} whenever she shall cease to live thereon then my S. Nephew is to
take possession thereof, and I advise him not to sell the same hastily, as
the same is & may be made very Valuable.

Item I give to my nephew Henry Holt afore named the residue of my land on
the West side of, Ten Church Street in the Borough aforesaid to him and
his Heirs for ever.

Item I give to my Wife during her Natural Life the use of my Plantation
called Holtwell, and the land & Lots whereon I lately lived in Norfolk
Borough, also the remaining Eight Lots, I purchased of S^r Charles S. B.
And after her death I give the same Plantation & Lots of land to the Person who
shall then ~~shall~~ be my proper Heir at Law to hold the same in Fee simple
as I desire all them Lands may pass to my then Heir at Law.

Item I give all the rest of my personal Estate (after my Debt, Legacies aforesaid,
& Funeral & other charges are paid) to be divided, one half to my wife
and the other half Equally between my S. Nephews James Holt & Henry
Holt, and desire my Wife may retain at the appraised Value my part

and the other half Equally between my S^r Nephews James Holt & Henry
Holt. and desire my Wife may retain at the Appraised Value any part
of such surplus not Exceeding her share thereof And I do declare that
The Legacys hereby given to my wife are in Lieu of her ^(my Estate) Dower in
And Lastly I hereby appoint my loving wife sole Executrix of this my will

In Witness whereof I have wrote this Will with my own hand & there-
unto set my Hand and Affixed my seal at this fifth Day of January 1779.

Signed sealed & published
in presence of

J. A. Holt & Seal

James Holt of Norfolk County Attorney at law being of sound mind
Memory do make this Codicil to my last will and Testament in ^{the} manner
Following that is to say.

First. I give & bequeath to W^r John Turner of Brunswick County son of Simon
Turner late of Southampton & to his Heirs forever the Reversion in Fee

simple of that beautiful land on Chucabuck in Nansemond County
which was devised to me intail after the death of Mary Durley
And which the Act, of Assembly for docking all intails The Rev.
-ension in fee simple ~~shall~~ ^{shall} in me; and I am desirous that the
same should descend & pass agreeable to the Will of Capt. John
Durnin who devised it to me.

Item. As I have received the Money due to me from Mr Solomon
Shepherd for sale of my Negro black to amount of Two hundred
Ninety five Pounds which is now in the house. I desire
it may be disposed of as is mentioned in my Will.

Item. I give my wife my large Quarto Bible which I omitted to
do before that I imported it for her use.

Item. Since Writing my will I am informed that my Brother
Henry Holt Deed left three Children living which were Born of
his Last wife, Louisa. Leander, Sarah, and Thomas; and in my
Will I supposed he left but one whose name I did not then
know Therefore do hereby alter and revoke the whole of
that Clause of my will in which I have given some Estate
to my Brother's Daughter Clemens; and the his other Child
Mentioned in the said Clause and do hereby declare that it is

That Clause of my will in which I have given some Estate
To my Brother's Daughter Cleremon^d and the his other Child
Mentioned in the ~~Said~~ Clause, and do hereby declare that it is
My Will and desire that the whole Estate, mentioned & given
in & by that Clause may be Divided and disposed of as fol-
lows, To wit, one fourth Part thereof I desire my Executors -
May pay to my S^r Miss Cleremon^d Holth on her day of Marriage
if she does not Marry a scotchman but in Case she should
Marry a scotchman then I desire the same fourth Part may
be Equally divided between the other three Children To wit.
Leander. Sarah. And Thomas or such of them as shall be
then living, And in Case the S^r Clerimon^d should die before
Marriage then I also give the S^d fourth Part to be divided as
above mentioned and the other three fourth Parts of the Estate afo-
said I give to be Equally divided between the S^d Leander, Sarah &
Thomas, or such of them as shall be Living at my Death. -
And I hereby appoint my loving wife Ann. Executrix of this Corbett
In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal at this 24th
Day of March in the year One thousand seven Hundred & Se-
venty Nine

signed sealed & Published
by the Testator as a Codicil
To his last Will & Testament
in Presence of

John Holt

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In the name of God amen I Samuel Presice of the
County of Norfolk being sick and weak but of sound mind. do make and
Appoint this my last will & Testament in the form and Manner following
First. I resign my soul into the hands of Almighty god my Maker hoping for
The remission of my sins through the merits of my blessed Redeemer
Jesus Christ - and as my worldly goods as God has blessed me with, I di-
-pose of them in the following manner Viz.