

virginia Black water In Princes anne County In the Name of God amen I John
Simmons being in perfect Health and mind Thanks be to God for the Same I Doe make
this my last will and Testament in manner and form as follows that is to Say I inprimus
I give and bequeath my Soul to God that gave it and my Body to the Earth to be decently
buried Item I Leave to my grandson William Hodges two Negroes which I made over
to his mother in forte one Negro man Name Called Shippie and one Negro woman Called Peggy
with his pulcos and five Pounds Sterling at the age of twenty one years for term of
Life and then to the Heirs of his Body for Ever Item I give and bequeath unto amey White
Daughter to Patrick White one old Negro wench Called Rose and one Negro fellow Called
Joney and one young Horse and five Sheep and Ten Pounds Credit at the store but in case
said amey White should Decease with out issue after her Decease the said Rose and
Joney if then Living shall Return to my Daughter Lydia or her heirs for Ever
Item I give and bequeath unto my well beloved Daughter Lydia Simmons all my
unmentioned Estate both Real and Personal that is to Say Lands money Negro goods
Cattle and whatsoever is mine or Belonging to me I Say to her and her Heirs for Ever that
is to Say Heirs born of his own Body but in case she should die without issue then
my Lands shall Return to the before mentioned Persons as follows my meaning and

my lands shall be given to the below mentioned persons as follows my meaning and

Intent is that after the Decease of my Daughter Lydia Simmons in Case She hath noe
Issue of her Body I give unto my Brother Henry Simmons my Lands and Plantation
where on I now live at blackwater to him and his heirs for Ever and my Plantation where
on I formerly lived on in Norfolk County I give unto William Simmons Son to vrick
Simmons to him and his heirs for Ever and my Plantation I bought of Willis Lane I
give unto John Simmons Son to my Brother William Simmons Deceased to him and his
heirs for Ever and my plantation in North Carolina at cromesket and Cattle I give Equally
to be divided between my Brother Southwood Simmons and William Simmons Son to
them and there ~~for~~ for Ever and the Rest of my unmentioned Estate shall be as follows
I give unto my God-Son John Simmons Son to Samuel Simmons one Good Negro man
to him and his heirs for Ever and the Rest of my Estate to be Equally divided Between
Henry Simmons my Brother and vrick Simmons and John Simmons the Son of my brother
William Simmons Deceased to them and there heirs for Ever Likewise I do hereby
nominate and appoint my well beloved Daughter Lydia Simmons my True and Lawfull
Exectrix of this my Last will and Testament hereby Repeaking and Disannulling all
other wills heretofore made by me in witness where of I have here unto Set my hand and
Seal this 12 Day of January in the year of our Lord 1759 assigned Seal published and
Declared by the said John Simmons to be his last will and Testament in the presence of us witnesses

John White
Thomas Brown

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