

In the Name of God amen I Thomas Ethredge of the County
of Norfolk being now Well Stricken in Age but of a sound and perfect
mind and Memory thank's be to the Almighty God for the same But knowing
that it is Appointed for all men to Die Do therefore make and
Ordain this to be my Last Will and Testament in Manner and
Form following (Viz^t) First I recommend my Soul to the hands
of Almighty God who has to me the promise of Mercy at the great
and last day And as for my Body I Give to the Earth from whence
it was taken to be decently buried at the Discretion of my Executors
hereafter to be named And as for my Temporal Estate that is both Present
Almighty God be bestow upon me I dispose of the same as followeth
First my Will and Meaning is that fifty Acres of Land in the County
of Norfolk in the Parish of St. Andrew's where the Bodies of my
Deceased Ancestors were buried be reserved for a Burial place
and not at any time by any One sold or Transferred

Item I Give and bequeath unto my Loving Wife Ann Ethredge my
best bed and furniture Also my Negro boy, Jimmy, my young Negro Girl
Jenny also my Hand Mill to her and her heirs forever
Item I Give and bequeath unto my Son Samuel Ethredge after the
Death of my Wife Ann that he should have the same

of Almighty God who gave to me the power of my Soul to the hands
and last day And as for my Body I Give to the Earth from whence
it was taken to be decently buried at the Discretion of my Executors
hereafter to be named And as for my Temporal Estate, that is both Real
First my Will and Meaning is that fifty feet in length & Twenty
feet in Breadth on my Manor Plantation where the Body of my
Deceased Ancestors were buried be reserved for a Burial place
and not at any time by any one sold or Transferred

Item I give and bequeath unto my Loving Wife Ann Etheridge my
bedstead and furniture Also my Negro boy, Jimmy, Young Negro Girl
Jenny also my Hand Mill to her and her heirs forever

Item I Give and bequeath unto my Son Samuel after the
 Death of my Wife All that Tract of Land with both the Plantations
 with the Appurtenances being that whereon I now Live and that
 whereon he now Lives to him my Said Son Samuel His Heirs
 forever I also Give unto my Said Son Samuel after the Death of
 my Wife all my Working Tools of any Sort that then shall be —

Item I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Sarah Mark One
Furthur Bed and Furniture being that Bed that is called her
Sleeper Bed unto my said Daughter Sarah Mark my Negro
Woman Anne only reserving the Use of the said ^{her} Bed to my
Wife during her Natural Life with the Increase she shall have
after she my said Daughter shall have her in Possession to her &
her Heirs forever

Item I give and bequeath unto my Granddaughter Courtney Portlock
the sole Use and profits of my Negro Woman Bess After the
Decease of my Wife with all her Increase after she is possessed of
her the said Bess during her Natural life and after her decease
to be she the said Bess and her Increase Equally Divided amongst
her the said Courtney's Children & their Heirs forever

Item I give and bequeath unto my Grandson Enock Etheridge my
Gun and Sword and Catamuck Box

Item I give and bequeath unto my Grandson Thomas William
Etheridge after the Decease of my Wife all that Land of Land
called Presents with the Appurtenances which I Escheated from Mat:
then Nickle's only Reserving that my Wife Ann Etheridge to have

granted to make Use of the said Land or any thing thereon during
her Natural Life and after her Decease to my said Grandson
Thomas Williams and his Heirs forever

Item I Give and bequeath unto my Granddaughter Mary Ann Nash
my Negro boy Paul only Reserving the Use of the said Negro boy
Wife during her Natural Life and after her Decease to my said Gran-
daughter Mary Ann Nash and her Heirs forever but if in Case the
said Mary Ann should die without Issue then the said Negro boy Paul
to fall to my Grandson Robertson Nash and his Heirs forever Also
I Give unto my Granddaughter Mary Anna Nash and Silver Cup to her
and her Heirs forever

Item I Give and bequeath unto my Granddaughter Dinah Nash Mary
Deceased of my Wife and Negro Girl Tabb with all her Increase
only Reserving the Use of said Negro Tabb unto my Daughter Dinah
Nash during her Natural Life but after her Decease then the said
Negro Tabb and her Increase to my said Granddaughter Dinah
Nash and her Heirs forever but if she should die without Issue
then the said Negro Tabb and her Increase to fall to my Grandson
John Nash and his Heirs forever

Item I Give and bequeath unto

Item I Give and bequeath unto my Grand daughter Mary Ann Nash
my Negro boy Paul only Reserving the Use of the said Negro boy
Wife during her Natural Life and After her Decease to my said Grand
daughter Mary Ann Nash and her heirs forever but if in Case the
said Mary Ann should die without Issue then the said Negro boy Paul
to fall to my Grandson Robertson Nash and his Heirs forever Also
I Give unto my Grand daughter Mary Ann Nash and her heirs forever
and her Heirs forever

Item I Give and bequeath unto my Grand daughter Dinah Nash
Decease of my Wife and Negro Girl Tabb with all her Increase
only Reserving the Use of said Negro Tabb unto my Daughter Dinah
Nash during her Natural Life but after her Decease then the said
Negro Tabb and her Increase to my said Grand Daughter Dinah
Nash and her Heirs forever but if she should die without Issue
then the said Negro Tabb and her Increase to fall to my Grandson
John Nash and his Heirs forever

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Grand daughter Lydia Nash the

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Negro Girl named Jenny with all her increase only Reserving the use of,
the said Jenny unto my Daughter Dinah Nash during her Natural life but
after her decease then to my Granddaughter Lydia Nash and her heirs forever but
if she the said Lydia should die without issue then the said Jenny and
her increase to fall unto my Grandson William Nash and his heirs forever
Item I Give and bequeath unto my Granddaughter Anna Nash and Negro Girl
named Hannah only my Daughter Dinah Nash to have the use of the
said Hannah during her Natural life but after her decease the said Hannah
with her increase to my said Granddaughter Anna Nash and her heirs
forever But if she the said Anna should die without issue then the said
Hannah and her increase to fall to Robertson Nash and his heirs forever
Item I Give and bequeath unto Thomas Fortlock Son of Matthew Fortlock
one Negro Girl called Jenny which came of my Negro Woman an Gift only
Reserving that my Granddaughter Courtney Fortlock have the sole use &
benefit of the said Negro Girl Jenny and her increase during her
Natural life and after her decease that then the said Thomas Fortlock
Immediately to have the said Negro Jenny in his possession and have her and
all her future increase after he is report of her to him & his heirs for-
ever: But that such of her increase as shall happen in the lifetime
of the said Courtney should be with the Negro Gift and her increase
as before Now in all equally be divided among all the Children of the
said Courtney Fortlock and their heirs forever

Said Courtney Fortlack and their heirs forever
Hem my Will and desired is that my Loving Wife Ann Etheridge have the
Use of all my Estate not before given away of What Quality I owned during
her Natural Life and after her Decease the same to be Equally Divided
into three Lots and my Daughter Dinah Nash to have the first choice of
One Lot and my Granddaughter Courtney Fortlack to have the second
Lot and my Daughter Dinah Nash to have the third Part
Lot And for the true performance of this my Last Will & Testament
I do constitute and Ordain my Loving Wife Ann Etheridge Person, friend
Thomas Nash to be Executor & Administrator of this my Last Will & Testament
In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal this 31st day
of December 1750

Thomas Etheridge Seal

Signed Sealed & Delivered

In presence of us

William Fortlack

Richard Murray

Simon Fortlack

Seth Fortlack

This above Will was proved to the 16th day of April

1752

Test Saml Bond L. C. & C.