

45 Virginia In the Name of God Amen I Wright Westcott of
Norfolk County Mariner being sound in Memory do make and
ordain this my last Will and Testament in the following manner
and form

After my Just Debts being paid and discharged, I give, devise &
bequeath unto my well beloved Wife Susanna Westcott the use of my
houses and Land which I now live on, together with the use of what
Negroes I have not here otherwise will'd away, together with my
Household furniture, Hogs, cattle, Sheep and all other things of
that kind being on the Plantation, she to receive whatever Inter-
est may arise from Money being let out, or otherwise arriving
from it, not touching or reducing the Principal, intending it
for no other use but to support her and bringing up her
Children, she first making Oath/as usual/ before the Court,
not to secret or imbezle any part of it in order to defraud
her Children, then to be possessed of that Benefit during the

Time of her Widowhood and no longer.
Item I do give, devise, and bequeath unto my Son Wright Westcott
to be possessed after the Marriage or Decease of my said Wife for
sooner if she pleases the House and Land I now live on, and the
Heirs of his Body lawfully begotten, and to continue the Property
of the Male Heir arising from my Posterity lawfully to be
begotten forever.

Item In case my wife should marry, I then give her a Child's
part of my whole Estate to her and her Heirs forever, my
house and land and what I have otherwise willd away only
excepted.

It is my Will and desire that my House and Lot in Norfolk
Borough which I lately purchased of Mr John Tucker before
belonging to Capt. John Cooke, in the Year 1768 be sold to the
highest Biddener the Purchaser to have twelve Months Credit
and no more.

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belonging to Capt. John Cooke, in the Year 1768 be sold to the
highest Bidder, the Purchaser to have twelve Months Credit
giving good Bond and security for the payment. At my decease,
or as soon after as my Executors shall think convenient, it is my
Desire, that what soever or what soever I may have at my Death

be sold, and whatever Money may arise from my Estate, I desire may be put
to Interest for the Use of my Wife and Children.

Now I give and bequeath unto my wife one Negro Boy called Adam during
the Term of her natural Life, and no longer then to return to my Son Saml.

I do give unto my Son Wright Westcott one Negro Boy called Bolladore.

I do give unto my Son John Westcott one Negro Boy called Toney.

I give unto my Son William Westcott one Negro Boy Robin.

I give unto my Son George Westcott one Negro Boy called Nero.

I give unto my Son Saml^r Westcott one Negro Boy called Sharper.

I give unto my Daughter Ann Westcott one Negro Girl called Sarah.

I give unto my Daughter Fanny one Negro Girl called Eve.

And if in Case any of the above said Negroes given to my Children
should die before my said Children shall come of Age to possess them
that then the said Child's Lot thereof shall be made up out of my Estate.

The true Intent and Meaning of this my Will is that what Legacies I
have given in my Will that they together with what Money I may have

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or may arise from my Estate, that as my Sons arrive to the Age of
twenty one Years, they are to receive their part of the Money and their
Negro, and my Daughters to receive their part of the Money and their
Negro at sixteen Years of Age, or day of Marriage, And as to the rest of
my Estate all my Children are to receive their equal part of that, either
at the Marriage or Death of my wife, or sooner if my wife shall think
proper, and what I have not given away in Legacies may be equally
divided among all my Children, Viz. I desire that all my Children
fare alike, my wife receiving a ~~portion~~ ^{share} ~~of~~ ^{of} ~~each~~ ^{of} ~~Child's~~ ^{Child's} Part
with them.

Item Some Years past I left with one Mrs. Natharine Norton in Bermuda
an Instrument of Writing wherein I gave my Son Wright Westcott
some part of my Estate, which Gift I do hereby declare to be void and of
none Effect, But provided it should prove otherwise, and my said Son
Wright Westcott should have demand and receive the same.

+ Negro at sixteen Years of Age, or day of Marriage. And as to the rest of my Estate all my Children are to receive their equal part of that either at the Marriage or Death of my wife, or sooner if my wife shall think proper, and what I have not given away in Legacies may be equally divided among all my Children. Viz. I desire that all my Children ~~fare alike~~ ~~my wife receiving a portion~~ ~~and a Child's Part~~ with them.

Item Some Years past I left with one Mrs. Katharine Morten in Bermudas an Instrument of Writing wherein I gave my Son Wright Westcott some part of my Estate, which Gift I do hereby declare to be void and of none Effect. But provided it should prove otherwise, and my said Son Wright Westcott should sue, demand, and recover what I there gave him and the Right thereof be established in him, that then my Will and desire is that he shall receive no other part of my Estate, and if he should have received his part of my Estate together with my house and Land which

46 I have hereby given him in this my Will, then he shall be obliged to return it into my Estate to be divided amongst the rest of his Brothers and Sisters, and he to forfeit and surrender up all other Rights, Claims or part in or of my Estate, and to abide by & depend upon that only.

Furthermore my Will and desire is, that in Case there should arise any Disputes, Contests, or Misunderstandings concerning this my Will among my Legatees, that then all such Matters or Causes, and Controversies whatsoever may be finally determined, awarded, and finished by my well beloved friends Col. Robert Tucker and the Rev. Charles Smith Minister of Norfolk hereafter mentioned.

Lastly, I do hereby nominate, constitute and appoint my well beloved friends aforesaid viz Col. Robt Tucker & the Rev. Charles Smith Ministers of Norfolk, my wife Susanna Westcott and my Son Wright Westcott

Executors of this my last Will and Testament. In Testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 19th day of February in the Year of our Lord 1760.

Sign'd, Seal'd and Declared

Wright Westcott and Seal

Seco. Charles Smith Minister of Norfolk hereafter mentioned

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Signed sealed and Declared
in presence of us the Sub-
scribers

Jm. Sater

Jam. Southernland

Wm Conner

Rich. Harris

Wright Westcott and Seal

May Court 1760

The above Will proved & c as off

Order Book

/Harris/

Just. Sam. Bunch &

In the Name of God Amen. In witness whereof I have