

In the name of God amen I Richard Burks son of the County of Prince Edward County being sick and weak but of sound mind and memory thanks be to god for the same I do hereby make my last will and Testament revoking all other wills or wills by me before made first I give my soul to god that gave it, we hope at the general resurrection, to receive it again with joy and for my worldly Estate I dispose of in manner and form following (viz). I do promise do lend unto my wife Mildred Burks as much of the Income of my old Store place as shall be thought sufficient for her support for and during term of her natural life or widowhood, I also lend unto my said wife, all my household furniture also all my stock of all kinds - also all kinds of working Tools, for and during her life and widowhood, Item I give and bequeath, the old Store place together with one hundred and sixty eight and $\frac{1}{4}$ acres of land adjoining thereto lying in Prince Edward and Nottingham

Give unto my son Richard Lloyd Burke, and to his heirs forever, also, after his mother's decease, I give
 unto my son Richard Lloyd Burke all my household furniture all my stock of all kinds whatsoever and
 all my working tools - now not with standing the above things lent to my said wife if my said son
 Richard Lloyd Burke shall support his mother with such things as shall be thought sufficient for
 her support and finding her a Horse and saddle to ride when she wants my desire is that my said
 son upon his satisfying his mother, that he is to have the whole in his possession and to do as he thinks
 proper with it as his own. I also give and bequeath unto my said son Richard Lloyd Burke two hundred
 acres of Land and Plantation which I give Christopher Degarnett and Jesse Owen a Debt for to indemnify
 them as security for me in a suit Hatcher v Burke now if my said son shall pay the said Judgment
 I give him the said land to him and his heirs forever. Item my will and desire is that after my sons
 receiving the the before mentioned land and Premises that he pay to my two daughters, Melchora Pains
 and Elizabeth Burke fifty pounds each or give them a Negro Girl a piece to their liking instead of
 the money. Item my will and desire is that a negro Girl that I some years ago delivered to my
 daughter Edith Langdon may continue to her and her heirs forever; also all the said Girl by the name
 of Nani increase to her and to her heirs forever. Item my will and desire is that my daughter

of Mary increase to her and to π her heirs forever. Item my will and desire is that my daughter Elizabeth Burkes is to continue with her mother in the same room as long as she lives single and chuses so to do and that she may have a place for her horse, and her cattle if she chuses to keep them.

Item my will and desire is that they negroes that I give and delivered to my sons Charles, John and Thompson ^{Burke's} that they may continue to them and their heirs forever except one that I limit to my son

Charles Burkes, where he went to ~~Theriduck~~ by the name of Peter - my will and desire is that the said negro Peter may be sold for the best price that can be got for him and the sum of money that

Benjamin Rice paid to Johnston Executors for a negro woman I give to my daughter Mary Rice, wife to the said Benjamin Rice by the name of Fann and recovered of Rice by the executors that out of the

Money arising from the sale of the said negro Peter, that said Rice is to receive the sum he paid to the said executors of Peter Johnston for the negro Fann that they recovered of him. Item the balance

of the money arising from the said negro Peter I desire may be laid out in buying a negro to wait on my wife so long as she shall live a widow and after her decease to be divided to my sons

Richard Lloyd Burkes and my daughter Elizabeth Burkes, ^{equal} provided they are to take care of their mother.

Item the Judgment I am to be discharge by my heirs after mentioned executors by selling land on

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Burke's
Thompson that they may continue to them and their heirs forever except one that I lent to my son
Charles Burke, when he went to ~~Thimblebury~~ by the name of Peter - my will and desire is that he the
said negro Peter may be sold for the best price that can be got for him and the sum of money that
Benjamin Rice paid to Johnston Executors for a negro woman I gave to my daughter Mary Rice wife to
the said Benjamin Rice by the name of Fann and recovered of Rice by the executors that out of the
money arising from the sale of the said negro Peter, that said Rice is to receive the sum he paid
to the said executors of Peter Johnston for the negro Fann that they recovered of him. Item the balance
of the money arising from the said negro Peter I desire may be laid out in buying a negro to wait
on my wife so long as she shall live a widow and after her decease to be divided to my son
Richard Lloyd Burke and my daughter Elizabeth Burke, provided they are to take care of their mother
Item the Judgment for $\$6^0$ is to be discharge by my heirs after mentioned executors, by selling land or
other ways as my will and desire is that my security is not to suffer on that account. Item my will
and desire is that all damages that can or is recovered by means of the will Treatment I received
from Johnston Executors and other Just recovery that can be got may be equally divided between

all my children after my executor deducting all his expenses and Costs that he should be at
not recoverable. Item my will and desire is that so soon as my Executor can get the business
settled that he buy a negroe Girl and give it to Martha Burkes daughter of my son Philemon
Burkes deceased also if necessary made, sufficient. my will and desire is that my Executor buy
a Horse, and saddle at the Price of Fifteen or Twenty pounds when the said Martha or Patsy
Burkes daughter of Philemon Burkes comes to the age of twelve years To give her the said Horse and saddle
Item the negroe I mentioned to be given to my Grand daughter Patsy or Martha is to be between Fifteen
and Twenty years old and likely. Item my will and desire is that if the negroe Girl for which there is
a suit depending in Prince Edward Court against George Burkes Junr is recovered that my Executor
may sell him for the best price that can be got for him if he should think fit to sell him
and at my wife decease the money arising from the sale of the said negroe Girl to be equally
divided as before among all my children but that my executor is and may lay out the said
money as he shall think fit till my wife decease and only be liable for the Principle sum at
the division as the other will be for the support of my wife for her life, Item my will and desire
is that all Just debts that can be made appear against me to be paid let them be long or

is that all Just debts that can be made appear against me to be paid let them be long or short standing and all that appears for me to be paid in the same manner &c. Lastly I do constitute and appoint my beloved Wife and my son Richard Doye Burkes executors of this my last will and Testament; and that my executrix and my executor is not to give or heretofore to security for there performance of this will signed with my own hand and sealed with my seal and dated this third day of June one thousand seven hundred and ninety three

Rich^d Burkes 

The word being in Prince Edward and Newbury County in the ninth line and the word they in the thirty third line and they words in the forty first line and recovered of Rice by the executors the word all in fifty seventh line all underlined before signed)

John Foster
Benjamin Hawkins
William X Armes

At a Court held for Newbury County 5th day of June 1794

This last will and Testament of Richard Burkes Deceased was proved by the oath of John Foster and Benjamin Hawkins witnesses thereto and is ordered to be recorded

Teste Benjamin Pollard D.C.