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In the name of God Amen I, Thomas Eckles of the parish Holly of Nottoway County being in health of body & sound in mind & memory do make this my last will & Testament hereby revoking all former wills by me heretofore made in manner & form following Vizt First of all I bequeath to my loving wife Elizabeth Eckles during her life or widowhood all my personal estate namely my negroes Monsu and Isaac, Winna, Toss, Milly, and Abraham with all chattels and also my land and plantation wherein I now live, & that she have quiet & peaceable possession of the same during her life or widowhood. My will and desire is first of all that my son Thomas Eckles shall have a bed of upholster cow & calf two ewes & lambs, three pewter plates. My will and desire is also that my daughter Martha Eckles have a bed of upholster cow & calf & three pewter plates. My desire is that my son Isaac Eckles may be privileged with the cultivation with of part of Morgans old tract of land with part of my own tract from the drain with the ditch in it downward as the drain goes to the creek & upward as the said drain goes to James Eckles line all on that side the drain wherein his house now stands to enjoy as long as my wife lives. Item I give and bequeath to my son Isaac Eckles part of my old tract of land wherein I now live beginning at the mouth of my spring and James Eckles spring branch where it empties into the Harrison Creek thence up the said spring branch to the first fork thence up the right hand slash and meanders to the head of the said slash thence upward course to James Eckles line, all that side the said branch next to his house where he now lives with Morgans old tract also joins thence to him and his heirs forever on his right

now lives with ~~Morgan~~ ~~to him~~ and his heirs forever on his paying
 my ten pounds to my son Joel Eckles, my will is that my son Abraham Eckles shall not sell
 the said land as long as my wife lives I then give and bequeath unto my son Thomas Eckles the
 rest of my said tract of land whereon I now live, from the before named lines that I have
 bounded to him Eckles by all this side next to my house and to Tucker line unto the place
 Thomas Eckles and to his heirs forever at his mother's death on his paying ten pounds unto
 my son Joel Eckles and also with an exception of my young apple and peach orchard before
 my garden which I then to my son Edward Eckles for the space of ten years, at the expiration
 of that time my will is that the said young orchard belong to my son Thomas Eckles and
 his heirs forever but if my son Thomas should die without a lawful wife or heir of his body, then my will is
 that the said land and plantation belong to my son Isiah Eckles and his heirs forever on his complying
 as is above directed. Then I give and bequeath unto my son Edward Eckles that part of my farm that
 lies on the head of the little Narracan this side of Jackson's riding road whereon he now
 lives to him and his heirs forever on his paying seven pounds ten shillings unto my son Joel
 Eckles, I also give my son Edward Eckles one horse cart that came out of a mare that is called
 nanci, I also give my son Edward Eckles at the death of his mother my flax hackles to him
 and his heirs forever I do hereby give my wife the privilege to give any thing that she thinks
 she ought to give to any of my children that she thinks is the most needy, and for that child or child.

bounded John Eckles by all this side next to my house and to Tucker line unto the said
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my son Joel Eckles and also with an exception of my young apple and peach orchard behind
my garden which I give to my son Edward Eckles for the space of ten years, at the expiration
of that time my will is that the said young orchard belong to my son Thomas Eckles and
his heirs forever but if my son Thomas should die without issue put together half of his body, then my will is
that the said orchard and plantation belong to my son John Eckles and his heirs forever on his complying
and as above directed. Then I give bequeath unto my son Edward Eckles that part of my land that
lies on the head of the little River in this side of Jackson's riding road whenon he now
lives John and his heirs forever, on his paying seven pounds ten shillings unto my son Joel
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and his heirs forever. I do hereby give my wife the privilege to give as much of her share
she or her children my children that she thinks is the most needy, and for that child or child-
~~ren~~ to be accountable unto my estate out of their parts at the auction my will is that at
the death of my wife that my executor hereafter mentioned do it shall hereby have

full power and authority to appoint three discreet and wise persons to divide the sum
of my estate then remaining equally amongst my children that is then living without
distinction my will & desire is that there be none appraisement in my estate. I do by these
present appoint and nominate my sons Johann Eckles & Edward Eckles my sole
executors of this my last will & Testament. In Witness whereof I have to these presents
set my hand & seal this second day of May one thousand seven hundred and ninety five
Signed Sealed & acknowledged to be the last will
and testament of Thomas Eckles and witnessed at
his request

Thomas Eckles Seal

For
Sanders Crossman
James Eckles
Freeman Eckles

In Atto-way County Court February 11th 1862
This last will and testament of Thomas Eckles was offered for proof & proved by the Oaths
of Sanders Crossman & James Eckles two of the witnesses thereto and is ordered to be recorded.

Attest Peter Roussoyph. C. M.

Truly recorded
attest