

In the name of God amen this twenty eighth day of January in the year of our Lord One
Thousand Seven hundred and ninety four I William Parham of the parish of Raleigh in the
county of Halloway being of a sound disposing mind and memory yet considering the uncertainty
of this mortal life do think it necessary to make and ordain this my last will and Testament
which is as followeth, to wit. In the first place my will and desire is that all my just
debts be paid. Item I Give and bequeath to my son Daniel Parham two Negroes to wit
Tom and Liddy and all Liddy's Children that she now has or may hereafter have (which
Negroes are now in his possession) also one feather bed bedstead & furniture which he has
likewise in his possession to him and his heirs forever. Item I Give and bequeath to my
son John Parham one Negro named Sam and one feather Bed bedstead and furniture to
him & his heirs forever. Item I Give and bequeath to my son William Parham one
Negro named Stephen and ^{one} feather bed bedstead and furniture to him and his heirs forever.
Item I Give and bequeath to my son James Parham three Negroes, to wit Peter, Minny
and Phoebe, and one feather bed to him and his heirs forever. Item I Give and
bequeath to my daughter Sarah Parham one Negro named Dick and one feather bed to
her & her heirs forever. Item I Give and bequeath ^{to my daughter} Martha Stoddant two Negroes, to wit
Upsala & her child and ^{all} their future increase and the feather bed and furniture that she
has in her possession to her and her heirs forever. Item I Give and bequeath to my
daughter Mary Parham one Negro named Essex and one feather bed to her and her
heirs forever. Item I Give and bequeath to my daughter Cady Parham one Negro
named Lewis and one feather bed to her and her heirs forever. Item I Give and
bequeath to my daughters Sarah, Mary and Cady one Negro named Jimmy to be
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& James, & to my daughters Sarah, Martha, Mary and Cady four Negroes, to wit,
Betty and her three Children Edmund, Cato & Ned and all their future increase.

297 I said Betty to be divided amongst them when my son James arrives to the age of twenty one years to them and their heirs forever. Item I Give and bequeath to my sons John & William all my land to be equally divided between them, to them and their heirs forever. Item I Give and bequeath to all my children except Daniel, and Martha, all the rest and residue of my estate not herein disposed of to be equally divided amongst them, to them and their heirs forever. Item It is my will and desire that if the debts due me at my death and the crop that should be on hand at the time of my death should not be sufficient to pay my debts then in that case the four last mentioned Negroes must be sold by my executors for that purpose or so many of them as will be sufficient to discharge my debts. It is my desire that my estate be not inventoried nor appraised. Lastly I constitute and appoint my sons Daniel Parham & John Parham executors of this my last Will and Testament. In Witness whereof I have set my hand and affixed my Seal the day and year above written.

Signed Sealed published and declared by the said William Parham for his last Will and Testament.

In the presence of us

Abner Osborne

Isiah Clay

Frederick Leonard

William Parham Seal

The Court held for Hottoway County at the courthouse on Thursday the 7th of December 1797

This Last Will and Testament of William Parham dec^d was offered for proof by John Parham an executor therein named and was proved by the Oaths of Abner Osborne Isiah Clay and Frederick Leonard the witnesses thereto and is ordered to be recorded. and on the motion of the said executor a certificate is granted him for obtaining a probat thereof. He having taken the oath of an executor and with Daniel Sturdivant, Luke Pryor.

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Teste Peter Randolph C^{lerk}

Truly recorded

Teste Thomas Waring Todd, C^{lerk}

Inventory and appraisement of the estate of Thomas Cries dec^d. (to wit)