

In the name of God Amen I John Collins of the County of Orange & the Parish of
Thomas being sick & weak but of perfect Sense & Memory thanks be given to almighty
God for the same and calling to mind the uncertainty of this Transitory life do
make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament first of all I give and bequeath
my Soul into the hands of God that gave it me and my body to the Earth to be
buried in a Christian like Decent Manner according to the Directions of my
Executor nothing but at the General resurrection at the last day to Receive the
same by the mighty Power of God Secondly I desire that all my Debts may
be satisfied and Paid by my Executors Thirdly I give and bequeath unto my Son John
Olsonson forty shillings for schooling forthly I send unto my Dear beloved Wife
Constance Collins all the Remainder part of my Estate During her widowhood and
Charity in this present life fifthly I give and Bequeath after my Wifes decease
or widowhood to my Son Benjamin Collins the upper Tract of Land Excepting
Twenty foot square for a burying place & Excepting fifty Acres which is to be
taken off of the Lower Side belonging to the Lower Tract whereon I now live for my
Son Nicholas also one acre & thirty I give and bequeath to my Son Michael
Collins the Plantation whereon I now live & have and fifty Acres to be taken
the upper Tract belonging to it for him and after my Wifes death for another of
my young Children to be named & to be on the same limited my own surviving Sons

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all my Working Tools and all the Remainder part of my flock of both Hogs
Sheep and all other Household Goods Pots, pans, Dishes plates &c excepting one
ewe and Lamb to Elizabeth Alverson Lastly I constitute and appoint
Nicholas Collins Executor of this my last Will and Testament Vouching all
Other Wills heretofore made by me In Witness whereof I have hereunto
set my Seal this 6th day of December 1869 John Collins (Sr)
Signed Sealed and Delivered

In the Presence of
Joseph Chandler, Robt Bickers
James ^{his} Alverson Joseph ^{his} Pratt

At a Court held for Orange County on Thursday the 26th April 1870
This last Will and Testament of John Collins Deceased was presented into Court
by Nicholas Collins Executor thereon named and proved by the Oaths of Joseph
Chandler, Robt Bickers & James Alverson three of the Witnesses thereto Vouched
to be true and on the Motion of the said Executor who made Oath according
to said Certificate is granted him for Obtaining of Probate thereof in due
form he giving security whereupon he with Joseph Chandler Robt Bickers & James
Alverson Entered into bond in the sum of £100 Test Geo Taylor CL