

Firstly I give and bequeath to my Son Joel Allen Stokes all the Land and Plantation whereon I now live together with a Negro Man named Peter and one Negro girl named Betia with Sundry other Articles and Household furniture which he has received to him and his heirs forever. It is my Will desire that Joel Stokes return from Kentucky and settle this Land in any part that will not disturb his Mother and take care of her during her life, and after her death to take the full enjoyment of the whole to himself. Secondly I give to my Daughter Sarah May Fifty pounds Cash to be paid to her or her heirs by my Executors on the day my Estate is divided. Thirdly I give to my Daughter Elizabeth Allen Neal Fifty pounds Cash to be paid to her or her heirs on the day my Estate is divided by my Executors. Fourthly I give to my Daughter Sally Walker Dupuy Fifty pounds Cash to be paid to her or her heirs by my Executors on the day my Estate is divided. Fifthly I give to my Wife Sarah Stokes the use of my Land and Plantation whereon I now live, together with Stocks and Household furniture of every kind with all my working tools of every kind during her natural life or Widowhood together with the following Negroes, Gato, Bob, Tom, Jack, Ariam, Martin, Lucy, Nancy, Glee, Lucy, Tanney, Amasa, Dinah, Jans, Hannah, Diley. Now it is my desire that all my Estate not heretofore given to my three above named Daughters be and remain in the possession of them and their heirs for ever. Now it is my Will and desire that all my Estate that remains after my Wife's death be collected together and an equal division of the same be made between my Sons and Daughters named in the first Clauses of this my last Will and Testament after paying my three daughters fifty pounds a piece as before mentioned in my Will. And Whereas I have made it my endeavor to make the division of my Estate as Equitable as I possibly could it is my desire that the same be received without Contention, dispute or Law Suits, and I do hereby constitute and appoint my two Sons Allen Stokes and Silvanus Stokes whole and sole Executors of this my last Will and Testament, and revoking every other Will or Wills heretofore by me made do acknowledge confess and declare this my last Will & Testament, as Witness my hand and Seal this Twentyfirst day of April one thousand seven hundred and ninety eight.

Signed, sealed & delivered
in the presence of us

Silvanus Stokes (Seal)

Christopher Robertson

Joseph Rogers

James Sayers

Jeduthan Easter

At a Court held for Pittsylvania County the 18th day of June 1798

This last Will and Testament of Silvanus Stokes deceased was presented in Court by Allen Stokes and Silvanus Stokes the Executors herein named, and being proved by the Oaths of three of the Witnesses ~~here~~ Ordered that the same be recorded. And the said Executors having first taken the Oath of an Executor by Law prescribed and together with William Beavers, James Sayers and William Astin their securities entered into bond in the penalty of two thousand pounds Current Money Conditioned as the Law directs, ^{and acknowledged the same} on their Motion Certificate is granted them for obtaining a probate of the said Will in due form.

Teste

Wm. Tinsall C. J. C.

Examined

In the Name of God Amen I Thomas Edwards of Pittsylvania County Virginia State,
 being sick and weak in body, but of sound memory, Thanks be to God for the same
 and calling to mind and knowing, It is now appointed for all men to die, when it
 shall please God, to call them, and first I give my Soul to God, and my body to the
 dust, from whence it came, to be decently buried, at the discretion of my wife and
 Executors, — and now do make, Confirm and Ordain, this my last will and
 Testament, hereby revoking all other wills formerly made by me, and for settling and
 disposing of my Temporal estate, I first Will and Ordain that all my Lawful
 debts be paid, and for such goods and chattels, which it hath pleased God to
 bestow on me, I do give and bequeath the same in following manner to wit,
 I now I give and bequeath unto my son Edmund Edwards five Shillings current
 money of Virginia — I now I give and bequeath unto James Edwards, the Trail of
 Land, whereon he now lives, Containing One hundred and forty acres more or less
 to him and his heirs forever, — I now I give and bequeath unto John Edwards five
 Shillings current money of Virginia, — I now I give and bequeath unto Thomas
 Edwards fifty pounds in property, — I now I give and bequeath unto Nathaniel
 Edwards fifty pounds in property, — I now I give and bequeath unto William Edwards
 fifty pounds in property, also one bay mare named Early, now in his possession,
 I now I give and bequeath unto my Daughters Martha Lewis, one Negro Girl named
 Sam, now in her possession, to her and her heirs forever, I now I give and bequeath
 unto my Daughter Elizabeth Sanford, five Shillings current money of Virginia
 I now I give and bequeath unto Hannah Scoggins my Daughter, one Negro Girl named
 Early, now in her possession, to her and her heirs forever, I now I give and bequeath unto
 my Daughter Mary Phillips one Negro Girl named Hannah, now in her Possession
 to her and her heirs forever, — Lastly I leave all the Residue of my estate, unto my beloved
 Wife Lucy Edwards during her natural life or widowhood, and at her death, or Marriage
 for all my Negroes, together with a debt due to me from John Allard, (being all the
 Ballance due for the Land I sold him lying on Smiths River, whereon the said Allard
 now lives) to be equally divided between my six Sons above named, and Elizabeth
 Sanford, my Daughter, and all the Ballance of my estate then to be equally divided
 between my other three Daughters above named, to them and their heirs forever,
 and now after all, I choose my beloved Wife Lucy Edwards, and my son James Edwards
 and Henry Sanford, to be my whole and sole Executors to this my last will and
 Testament. Given under my hands this 17th day of November in the year of our Lord
 1791 one thousand seven hundred and ninety,

Signed, sealed and acknowledged in
 presence of — Column Name
 his Name Ann X Durham
 Mark Mark

— Tho^s Edwards (Test)

Isaac Sanford Thomas Harris

At a Court held for Pittsylvania County the 18th day of April 1791.
 The within written last will and Testament of Thomas Edwards deceased was exhibited into
 Court, by James Edwards and Henry Sanford, the Executors therein named who made
 oath thereunto according to Law, and the same was proved by the Oaths of two of the competent
 Jurors.

Dennis

Hearts, and Obedience to be Rendred, and on the Motion of the said Executors, who having first together with Solomon Stokes and Dr. Blake, their Summons entered into hands and acknowledged the same, testifies is granted them for obtaining a probate of the said Will in due form, and have given their Executors their names to be in the probate when she thinks fit

Teste Wm. Tinsdale Esq.

Marricks
Write

In The Name of God Amen, I John Marricks of the State of Virginia and County of Pittsylvania, being very sick and weak of body but of perfect mind and memory, Thanks be unto God, calling unto mind the Volatility of my body, and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die, do make and Ordain this my last will and Testament that is to say, Principally and first of all I give and Recommend my soul into the hands of Almighty God, that gave it, and my body I Recommend to the Earth to be buried in decent Christian Burial at the discretion of my Executors, and as touching such Worldly estate, Wherewith It has pleased God to bless me with in this life, I give devise and dispose of the same, in the following Manner and form, - First I give and bequeath to William Marricks my well beloved son, the choice of my three Tracts of Land, one out of the three lying in the said State and County aforesaid, also I give to my well beloved son Henry the second choice of the said Tracts of Land - Also the third part of Land with all my personal property to be sold, and the money arising to be equally divided between my five Daughters, Elizabeth, Ellenore, Imogene, Rachael and Susannah, Excepting my wearing clothes and one Bay Mare, about fourteen hands high, eight years old, branded on the near Shoulder and thigh thus C, whom I give to my son William, and I do hereby utterly disavow revoke and disannul all and every other former Testaments and Wills by me in any way before named, written and bequeathed, Ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last will and Testament. In Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this Tenth Day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty Nine, Also Have my two Sons Henry and William Marricks, Joint Executors of this my last will and Testament

the
Signed Sealed and Delivered in presence of
Thos. Jenkins, William W. Watson.
make

John Vanjiew

John Marricks (Test)

July 6th 1790.

At a Court Begun and held by Adjournment for Chester County, South Carolina
The within Last will and Testament of John Marricks Esq. was proved by the Evidence
within named, and Ordered to be Rendred.

A True copy from the originals Peter Corbelle Clerk

Chester County

The County Seat, Test. Rich^d Taliaferro Esq. of Chester County.

November 11th 1790.

At the particular request of the above named Mr. Henry Marricks I do hereby certify, that the seal of Chester County as above, will not seem Deficiency makes a plain Supposition of the matter as stated on the same, which is, Chester County.

Rich^d Taliaferro

Darius

A Quarterly Court held for Allegheny County the 21st Day of March 1791. The within Copy of the last will and Testament of John Mearns Deceased, was presented in Court, and Ordered to be Read. On the Motion of Henry Mearns and William Mearns who were Attorneys at Law, and together with George Davis and Ezekiel Smith their Co-counsel, entered into and acknowledged their bonds conditioned as the Law directs, for obtaining Letters of Administration of the estate of the said John Mearns with his heirs heirs Administrators is granted them in due form.

Taken

Wm. Tamm, Clerk.

Coleman's
Will

In the Name of God Amen I Stephen Coleman of the County of Allegheny in the State of Pennsylvania - Being sick and weak in body but of sound Mind and disposing Memory (for which I thank God) and calling to mind the uncertainty of Human Life, and being desirous to dispose of all such Worldly Estate as it hath pleased God to bless me with I give and bequeath the same in the manner following First (after the payment of all my Debts and funeral Expenses) I give and bequeath to my Son Daniel Coleman the Land whereon he is now settled, beginning at my new Corner made by Atkinson ⁱⁿ Sham Farmers line, thence along Sham Farmers line to Stephen Neale's Corner, then a new line to the Path leading to the old Town where the said Daniel Coleman's Spring branch crosses the said Path, thence a strait course thirty poles and then running a straight parallel line with Sham Farmers line to my new line made by Atkinson, thence along the said line to the beginning to him and his heirs and assigns for ever. Secondly I give to my well beloved Wife Sarah Coleman during the Term of her Natural Life my Land and Plantation and Mansion House where I now live together with Fifteen Negroes Namely Hercules, Branstler, Sam, Dick, Sal, Winney, Cloe, Clara, Lucy, Mary, Jemmy, Sidney, Nat and Leiney, together with all my Household and Kitchen furniture and Plantation Utensils and my Still, together with my Stock of Horses, Cattle, Hogs and Sheep. Except what I shall hereafter Name away and after her decease my Will is that the same be divided in manner and form following I give to my son Stephen Coleman my Land and Plantation whereon I now live, to him and his heirs and assigns for ever. My Will is that the remaining part of my Estate that I have given to my Wife should at her decease be equally divided among my Eight Children and the Heirs of my Daughter Annay Townes dec^d Allowing to my Daughter Elizabeth M^d Daniel one Ninth part of my Estate so given away, to her and her heirs and assigns for ever, to my son Stephen Coleman one other Ninth part of my Estate so given away to him and his heirs and assigns for ever, to my Daughter Patsy Turner one other Ninth part of my Estate so given away, to her and her heirs and assigns for ever, to my son Daniel Coleman one other Ninth part of my Estate so given away, to him and his heirs and assigns for ever, to my Daughter Lucy Price one other Ninth part of my Estate so given away to her and her heirs and assigns forever, to my Daughter Judith Turner one other Ninth part of my Estate so given away to her and her heirs and assigns for ever, to my Daughter Polly Coleman one other Ninth part of my Estate so given away, to her and her heirs and assigns for ever, to my son Stephen Coleman one other Ninth part of my Estate so given away to him and his heirs and assigns for ever And to the Heirs of my Daughter Annay Townes dec^d one other Ninth part of my Estate so given away to be equally divided among them, to them and their heirs and assigns for ever I give and bequeath to my son Thompson Coleman all my Interest in the State of Kentucky to him and his heirs and assigns for ever - I give and bequeath

to my son Stephen Coleman two Negroes Namely Tom and Ambrose and my bay Coll - Partner and one feather Bed and furniture to him and his heirs and assigns for ever - My Will is that my Estate be not Appraised, and I do hereby constitute and appoint my living Wife Sarah Coleman and my son Daniel Coleman my Executors of this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all other or former Wills or Testaments by me heretofore made In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seal this Twenty second day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety seven.

Signed, sealed, Published and declared
as and for the last Will & Testament of
The above named Stephen Coleman
in presence of us

Stephen Coleman (Seal)

Isiah Farmer

James Welch

Henry Stephens

Ala Court held for Pittsylvania County September the 17th 1798
This last Will and Testament of Stephen Coleman deceased was presented
in Court by Sarah Coleman and Daniel Coleman Executors & Executor

therein named and the same being proved by the Oaths of James Welch & Isiah Farmer two of the witnesses thereto was Ordered to be recorded. And the said Executor and Executor having first taken the Oath by Law prescribed and together with Studley Turner, William Rice, William Clawcock, Isiah Farmer, Hilcoll Townes and Joseph Terry their Securities entered into Bond in the penalty of four thousand pounds Conditions as the Law directs, on their Motion Certificate is granted them for obtaining a Probate of the said Will in due form.

Teste

Will Tunstall C. P. C.

Examined

In the Name of God Amen I Obediah Echols of the County of Pittsylvania being

Echols Obdia
Will

of sound mind and Memory, and knowing that at Men must die do make and Ordain this my last Will and Testament, that is to say, first I direct my Executor and Executives hereafter appointed to purchase a valuable Negro Man with part of the Money due me per Bond from Thos^d B^d Robert payable the twenty fifth day of December next and that they lay out one hundred and twenty five pound due me by Bond from the said W^d Robert payable the twenty fifth day of December one thousand seven hundred and ninety nine in the purchase of a tract of Land in any place that my Wife Lucy & Echols may choose. Secondly I lend to my said Wife the Negro Man and Land above mentioned also three feather Beds and furniture, three head of Horses that is, my bay Mare, my black Mare and my Sorrel Coll, one half of my Stock of Cattle, all my Stock of Hogs, all my House and Kitchen furniture, all my Plantation Utensils, my Ox Cart and twenty six pounds due me from my son James Echols during her natural life and no longer, and at the death of my said Wife it is my Will that whatever I have lent her be equally divided between my three children to wit Phillip Echols, Samuel B Echols and Polley C Echols or the survivors of them to whom and their heirs and assigns I give the same for ever. it is also my Will that if W^d Eliza Jackson the Mother of my W^d Wife should at this time be departed this life, or if that event should not happen at any time before my death that the Negroes which I should in that case be entitled to under the Will of W^d Clayborn Lawren be disposed of as follows, to wit, I give to Henry A Jones and Edward D Jones Son of my said Wife my two Negroes Sophia and Brandon with their future

Item I lend to my said Wife during her life all the rest of the said Negroes, and at her death it is my Will that they with their future increase be equally divided between my three children Philip Echols, Samuel Echols & Polly Echols to whom and their heirs I give the same for ever. Item I give to my son Obadiah Echols one Chestnut Sowl Mare - I give to my Daughter Betsey Echols one feather Bed and furniture and one fourth part of my Stock of Cattle - I give to my Daughter Nancy Echols one feather Bed and furniture and one Horse, Saddle and Bridle of Eighty dollars value to be purchased out of the Money arising from the hire of my Negroes which are in Georgia - I give to my son Elijah Echols one smooth boared Gun and one fourth part of my Stock of Cattle - I give to my Benjamin Echols five Shillings and no more he having already had his full part of my Estate - It is my Will that the following Negroes, to wit, Archer, Phillis, Mary Loker, Tabby, Selvia, Britcy and Miner which I gave to my five Children James Echols, Obadiah Echols, Nancy Echols, Elijah Echols and Betsey Echols by Deed of Gift to be hired out until my said son Elijah Echols arrives at lawful age and at that time the said Negroes with their future increase be equally divided between my five Children, and that the Money arising from such hire be equally divided amongst them equally Annually - It is also my Will that all the residue of my Estate be sold and the Money arising from such Sale to be applied towards the payment of my just Debts - Lastly I do hereby appoint my Wife Executrix together with my Brother Joseph Echols, Matthew Bates and Edmund Fitzgerald Executors of my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all other Wills by me heretofore made In Witnes I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this fifth day of May 1798 -

Obadiah Echols

In presence of
Thos H Wooding
Thos B. M. Robert

A Court held for Pittsylvania County January the 21st 1799
This last Will and Testament of Obadiah Echols deceased being heretofore proved by the Oath of one Witness was again presented in Court and proved by the Oath of Theodorick B. M. Robert another witness thereto Ordered that the same be Recorded, and Matthew Bates and Edmund Fitzgerald two of the Executors named in the said Will refusing to take upon themselves the burden of the execution thereof, On the Motion of William Raney who is intermarried with Lucy Echols ^{of the said deceased} Widow of the said deceased and Executrix in the said Will also named (who made Oath according to Law) and together with Martin Farmer and Peyton Thomas his Securities entered into and acknowledged their bond in the penalty of One thousand pounds Conditioned as the Law directs, Certificate is granted him for obtaining Letters of Administration on the said Decedents Estate with his Will annexed, in due form

Exam

Teste

Will Turnball C. J. C.

Hurt Moses

Will

In the Name of God Amen I Moses Hurt being sick in body tho in perfect
 Memory, but calling to mind that it is allotted once for Man to die after recommending
 my soul unto God that gave it and my Body to the earth to be buried I come now to speak
 of the things of this World that it has been please God to bless me with which I desire to
 be distributed in the manner and form prescribed, to wit I give unto my Beloved Wife
 Eliza^h Hurt all that I possess in this World during her life or Widowhood. I give
 and bequeath to my Son West Dandridge Hurt one Negro Man named Daniel
 and one shilling Sterling also to my well beloved Son Guardarid Hurt one Negro
 boy named Aaron. I also give and bequeath to my beloved Son Moses Hurt one
 Negro boy named Isaac Alias Peet. I also give unto my well beloved Son
 Absolom one Negro Girl named Agness her and her Inerues, and after my decess
 I desire my Land fore feather beds and furniture and one Negro Woman named
 Amey Tables Chairs, Chests, Wheels, Pewter, Pots, Dutch Ovens, Working Tools and
 reading Books, Horse, Cattle, Sheep & Hogs to be sold and equally divided betwixt
 my four Daughters, to wit, Ann Shelton, Jane Hendrick, Sally L Hurt and Rodey S
 Hurt. I have no more to say but desire that Guardarid Hurt, Moses Hurt and
 Benjamin Shelton be my Executors -

Moses Hurt

Teste

Edm^d TaylorW^m Boulding

Jane Alexander

At a Court held for Pittsylvania County January the 21st 1799 -

This Will of Moses Hurt deceased was presented in Court and being proved by the Oaths of
 Edmund Taylor and William Boulding two of the subscribing witnesses thereto was
 Ordered to be Recorded

Amb. Nelson
Will

In the name of God Amen I Ambrose Nelson of Pittsylvania County and Parish of Camden being of sound mind and memory do ordain and Publish this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following VIZ I give and bequeath to my son Bazel Nelson two shillings and six pence current Money of Virginia. I then I give and bequeath to my Daughter Sarahaba Ricketts two shillings and six pence Current money of Virginia I then I give and bequeath to my son James Nelson the Land and Plantation whereon I now dwell with all my Stock of all kinds whatsoever with all my Housewell furniture to him and his heirs for ever after paying my Son William Nelson fifteen pounds current money of Virginia. And last of all I do hereby constitute and appoint Bazel Nelson and William Ricketts whole and sole Executors to this my last Will and Testament revoking all other Will or Wills heretofore by me made. so Publish this my last Will and Testament as Witnesses my hand and Seal this 6th day of May one thousand seven hundred and eighty six

Signed, Sealed and delivered
in presence of -
Silas Stokes
Ware Stokes
Allen Stokes

Ambrose Nelson (Sd)

At a Court held for Pittsylvania County February the 18th 1799 -
This last Will and Testament of Ambrose Nelson deceased was presented in Court and proved by the Oath of Allen Stokes one of the witnesses thereto and Adin Gray made Oath that the Name of Silvanus Stokes, since deceased, who is also a Subscribing Witness thereto, is the hand writing of the said Silvanus Stokes Ordered that the said Will be recorded. And at another Court held for the said County April the 15th in the year aforesaid came Bazel Nelson and William Ricketts the Executors herein named, who having first made Oath according to Law and together with Allen Stokes and Joseph Richards their Securities entered into Bond in the penalty of five hundred Dollars Conditioned as the Law directs Certificate is granted them for obtaining a probate of the said Will in due form -

Teste Will Tinsall C. J. C.

Burnetts
Will

In the Name of God Amen the Twenty seventh day of February in the year of our Lord 1798 I Benjamin Burnett of Pittsylvania County being in perfect health praised God do make this my last Will and Testament as followeth I give to my Wife Frances Burnett during her life or on Widowhood all my Estate real and personal, and after her decease I give to my three sons Edward, Jeremiah and Thomas one certain Tract of Land lying in the same County and joining off this I now live on to be equally divided amongst them I then I give to my Son John this piece of Land on which I now live all off this side of Rights branch, and the other piece of Land on Sakers Creek to be sold and all my Debts to be paid out of that, and the remainder of that to be equally divided between my two Daughters Sally and Polly I then I give to my Son Thomas his share of that which I now possess. I then I give to my two Sons and my two Daughters Sally

Polly and Jeremiah and Thomas my Stock of all kind to be equally divided between them
 four Item I give to my Daughter Ely one Bed Item I give to my Daughter Sally one Bed
 Item I give to my Daughter Polly one Bed and these judgments which I have got against
 Dunn to be equally divided among all my Children only Benj^r John and Jeremiah them
 I give five pounds a piece more than the rest if it is recovered and if not recovered Item
 I give to my Son Godfrey one shilling Sterling Item I give to my son Burnet Burnett one
 shilling Sterling Item I give to my son Benj^r one shilling Sterling And my Wife Frances
 Burnett and my son John Burnett whom I make sole Executors of his my last Will and
 Testament —

Benjamin Burnett

Signed Seal and delivered
 in presence of — }

Abraham ^{his} Martin

John ^{his} Martin
 mark

At a Court held for Pittsylvania County April the 15th 1799

This last Will and Testament of Benjamin Burnett deceased was presented in Court and
 proved by the Oaths of two of the witnesses thereto Ordered that the same be recorded —

Giles John
 his Will

In the Name of God Amen the fourteenth day Feb^y in the year of our Lord one
 thousand seven hundred and ninety nine I John Giles of the County of Pittsylvania
 being sick in body but of sound mind thanks be to God and calling to mind that all Flesh
 must yield to Death when it shall please God to call do make this my last Will and Testament
 revoking all others made by me either in writing or otherwise and this is to be taken for
 my last I first I commit my body to the Earth from whence it came and my Soul to God —
 with a lively hope of its being raised again to Eternal life. Next for my Worldly Affairs
 I wish all my just Debts to be paid in good Faith, to my beloved wife Jane I give all my
 Estate both personal and real during her life, after her death all my tract of Land whereon
 I now live except one hundred Acres which I sold to my son John and received payment for
 to my son William Giles, the lines of my son John's land being mark'd off to him in presence
 of John Hutchinson and William Giles and him to the Land whereon I now live and
 as fully described to Walter Lamb Also to my said Son William one Bay Mare one
 feather bed and furniture and one Negro Girl named Amey with her increase
 To my son Ephraim Giles I give one Negro Girl named Nancy and her Increase one feather
 Bed and furniture and sixty pounds Virginia currency to be paid to him out of the Crops
 as soon as made I give to my son George Giles one Negro Girl named Tell with her
 increase on his paying to my son John Giles and my son James Giles twenty pounds Virginia
 Money

each. To my four Daughters Namely Elizabeth Riddle, Patsy Short, Susannah Riddle and Rebecca Gordon ^{the} Negro Woman named Lucy with her increase to be an equal benefit to each as they may agree amongst themselves but it is not my desire or wish for her to be sold out of the family. And after my Wifes death what may remain of my Estate or be added to it to be equally divided amongst my four Daughters My Grand Son Philo Giles son of my Daughter Patsy Short I wish for him out of my Estate to be given a good Education Board and kept in decent cloths until Manhood. I constitute and Apoint my Executors my Son John Giles and William Giles as witnesses my hand this day and year before mentioned -

Test

Walter Lamb

Cathy Lamb

Edward Carter

John ^{his} Giles
mark

A Court held for Pittsylvania County April the 15th 1799
This last Will and Testament of John Giles deceased was presented in Court and proved by the Oaths of two of the witnesses thereto Ordered that the same be recorded. And at another Court held for the said County June the 17th in the year aforesaid the same was again presented in Court and John Giles and William Giles the Executors herein named having first taken the Oath by Law prescribed and together with Walter Lamb and Abraham Parrish their securities entered into Bond in the penalty of two thousand dollars conditioned as the Law directs. Certificate is granted them for obtaining a Probate of the said Will in due form -

Teste

Will Donnell C. J. C

George's
Will

In the name of God Amen I James George of the County of Pittsylvania being very sick and weak in body but of perfect mind and Memory, thanks be given unto God, calling to mind the Mortality of my Body, and knowing that it is appointed for all Men once to die do make and Ordain this my last Will and Testament, that is to say principally and first of all I give and recommend my Soul into the hands of Almighty God that gave it and my Body I recommend to the Earth to be buried with a decent Christian Burial at the discretion of my Executors nothing doubting but at the general resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God, and as touching such Worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this life I give Devise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form First I give to my beloved Daughter Mary Henderson Three hundred and fifty Acres of Land ^{lying} on Barbours, Parkers and Thurmans lines Beginning on the Cedar branch on Thurmans line running straight to my lower Corner for complement, and at the decease of my Wife I do give the said Mary Henderson one Negro Girl named Rose to her and her Heirs for ever. Secondly I give to my beloved son James Jordan George three hundred Acres of Land beginning on Bileys line near the Wolf branch to run South West about the middle of Hendersons line thence a North course and Corner for complement down to Daltons line, which Land I give

the said James I George his Heirs and Assigns for ever Thirdly I give to my beloved Daughter Frances Hoskins Three hundred Acres of Land lying in James Jordan Georges and Hendersons lines, thence running to the Mountain, thence round to the beginning for complement, which Land I give to the said Frances Hoskins and her heirs for ever Fourthly I give to my beloved son Hugh George the Plantation laying on the Camp branch to begin at the old Mill path a straight line down between the two fields to his new Survey. I also give my said son Hugh George one Negro Man named Holiday to be his at my Wifes decease to him and his heirs for ever Fifthly I give to my beloved Wife Elizabeth George during her life the place where we now live with all the ballance of Land joining thereunto and after her decease I give the said Land and Premises to my son Hugh George his Heirs and assigns for ever. I also lend my beloved wife Elizabeth George all my Stock of Horses, Cattle Sheep and Hogs, also five Slaves namely Goliath, Holiday, Luce, Rose and Annkey during her life, and at her decease my Will and desire is that my three Negroes Goliath, Luce & Annkey be divided between my Daughter Frances Hoskins and James I George Also my Will and desire is after my wifes decease all the Stocks of every kind shall be equally divided between my four children Given under my hand this 19th day of December 1798 I do constitute and appoint my beloved Wife and my son Hugh George Executors to this my last Will and Testament - In presence of

Nathan Thurman Sr

Nathan Thurman Junyer

Joseph ^{his} Bybee
mark

James George

Witness

The Court held for Pittsylvania County June the 19th 1799

The foregoing last Will and Testament of James George deceased was presented in Court by Elizabeth George Executrix and Hugh George Executor therein named and proved by the Oaths of Nathan Thurman and Nathan Thurman jun^r two of the witnesses thereto Ordered that the same be recorded, and the said Executrix and Executor having first taken the Oath by Law prescribed and together with the said Nathan Thurman and Nathan Thurman jun^r their securities entered into bond in the penalty of ten thousand dollars conditioned as the Law directs and acknowledged the same on this Motion Certificate is granted them for obtaining a Probate of the said Will in due form

Teste

Will Funnell Co. J. C.

In the Name of God Amen I William Toler of Pittsylvania County being in perfect health Mind and Memory for settling my Temporal Affairs, but knowing the uncertainty of this life, and that it is appointed for all Men once to die do make and Ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following I give and Devise to my son Joseph Toler my Negroe Man called Daniel, my Negroe Boy called Stephen, my Negroe Woman Hannah, my Negroe Woman Ann and her Son Dick and my Negroe Woman Sarah and one feather Bed. I also give to my son Joseph the whole of my Stock, to wit, Horses, Cattle, Hogs and Sheep, to him and his heirs for ever. I desire that my son Joseph Toler pay to my Daughter Frances Dixon

Twenty five pounds, and to my Daughter Lucy Bonds the sum of Twenty five pounds in the following manner, to wit, five pounds a year for five years - I also desire that my Son Joseph pay to my Son Josua Toler Widow and his five Children as follows, to wit, to the Widow Nine pounds, to his Daughter Nancy Nine pounds when she arrives to the age of eighteen years, to his Daughter Molly Nine pounds when she shall to the age of eighteen years, also Nine pounds to each of his Sons, Barnabas, John and Cornelius when they shall arrive to the age of Twenty one years - I do hereby Nominate, constitute and appoint God - James Callaway and my Son Joseph Toler Executors to this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all other Will or Wills by me heretofore made In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this Eighth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety one Signed Seal and delivered in presence of us -

Thos Lefevich
Joseph Robinson
William Fowler just

William Toler ^{his} Seal
mark

At a Court held for Pittsylvania County June the 17th 1799 -
This last Will and Testament of William Toler deceased was presented in Court and proved by the Oaths of Thomas Lefevich and William Toler jun^r two of the witnesses thereto Ordered that the same be Recorded, on the Motion of Joseph Toler ^{the Executor therein named} who took the Oath required by Law and together with the said Thomas Lefevich his security entered into and acknowledged their bond in the penalty of two thousand pounds Conditioned as the Law directs Certificate for obtaining a Probate thereof in due form is granted him -

Teste Will. Ferrell C. J. 6

Examiner

Wm Toller
Will

In the Name of God Amen - Tanner of Pittsylvania County being this day in reasonable health and sound memory and perfectly in my senses for which I am thankful to Almighty God for his Mercies, but knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die and after death to Judgment do think it necessary under these serious considerations (as I know not when it may please the Almighty God to take me from this time World to Divinity) do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament. And first I give my Soul into the hands of Almighty God who gave it to rest in his Arms until the day of the resurrection, and my body after death to be buried in a Christian like and decent manner at the place and description of my Executor and Executors by me to be named and as for what worldly Estate the Almighty God has been pleased to bless me with in this life I give and bestow in the following manner Viz I Will and order that in case my dear and well beloved Wife Sally Tanner should at any time within the space of Nine Months after my death bring forth a Child be the same a Son or Daughter that all my Estate be equally divided between my said Wife Sally and her Child to them their heirs and assigns forever I Will if in case my dear and well beloved Wife Sally Tanner should not bring forth a Child within the space of Nine Months after my death then I give and bequeath to my said Wife Sally Tanner her heirs and assigns for ever ten Negro Slaves

and the Increase of the females, which ten Negro Slaves is Named Will, Bowin, Jacob, Jese, Burwell, Peter, Sallee, Zippah, Lydia also one thousand dollars in Cash which is due to me from Stephen Neal just on or before the twenty fifth day of December next also all my Stock of Horses, Cattle, Sheep, Hogs, Plantation Utensils and all my Household and Kitchen furniture to her my said Wife Sally Tanner her heirs and Assigns for ever I Will Give and bequeath to my Nephew Floyd Tanner Son of my Brother Thomas Tanner to him his heirs and Assigns for ever all my Tract of Land which I purchased of Martin Tanner containing fifty five Acres more or less, lying in Potterylandia County, also four Negro Slaves named Charity, Millia, Cyrus and Agnes with their Increase, and also one thousand Dollars in Cash which is due to me from Stephen Neal just on or before the twenty fifth day of February next to him my said Nephew Floyd Tanner his heirs and Assigns for ever. I Will and order that all my Crop of Tobacco which I have or whatever part thereof I may have on hand be got to some inspection and the same be sold, and the Money which the same may fetch shall be applyed to discharge such Debts which may be Justly due to my Estate, and if there should not be Money enough arising from the Sale of the Tobacco before mentioned then I Order that my Copper Still be sold and the Money of the Sale of said Still be applyed to discharge debts which may be justly due from my Estate and if all the Monies arising from both the Sales above mentioned be not enough to discharge all the just Debts which may come against my Estate then I Will and Order that the ballance which may be lacking to discharge the just Debts which may come against my Estate be made as most convenient out of the Crop which may be made on the Plantation where I now live on Banister River this present year. But if the second Sale above mentioned be found necessary to be made and there should be found an overplus remaining after discharging the just debts which may come against my Estate that the said overplus be applyed toward schooling my said Nephew Floyd Tanner Son of my Brother Thomas Tanner I Nominate and appoint my worthy Brother Thomas Tanner Executor and my dear and well beloved Wife Sally Tanner Executrix to this my last Will and Testament, disannulling all others ^{by me} heretofore made and ordaining this to be my last Will and Testament. In Witnes whereof I have hereunto sett my hand and fixed my Seal this Eight day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety nine - the words the between interlined before assigned and also the Name: Sally Tanner -
Signed, Sealed and acknowledged }
in presents of us - Floyd Tanner

At a Court held for Potterylandia County June the 17th 1799

The foregoing last Will and Testament of Floyd Tanner deceased was presented in Court and there being no subscribing witnesses thereto, the same was proved to be the hand writing of the ^{said} Testator by the Oaths of indifferent persons sworn and examined. Ordered that the same be recorded And at another Court held for the said County the 15th day of July in the year aforesaid the same was again presented in Court, and on the

Notion

of Thomas Tanner Executor and Sally Tanner the Executrix therein named who made Oath according to Law and together with Daniel Motley, Silvanus Stokes Samuel Motley and John Adams Jun^r their Securies entered into and Acknowledges their bond in the penalty of Ten thousand dollars Conditioned as the Law directs Certificate is granted them for obtaining a probate thereof in due form. —

Teste

Will Tunstall 6/16

Bleakley's
Will

In the Name of God Amen. I James Bleakley Sen of the County of Pittsylvania being in a low state of health but of sound mind and disposing memory and calling to mind the uncertainty of life I do hereby make this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following, that is to say, I give and recommend my Soul to God that first give it, my just Debts to be honestly paid. — Here I give and bequeath to my beloved Wife Rebecca Bleakley one third part of all my Estate that I am possessed of for and during her life. — I give to my Son John Bleakley Twenty shillings over and above what I have hitherto given him. — I give to my Daughter Lucy Norton Twenty shillings. — I give to my Daughter Mary Logan Twenty shillings. — I give to my Son James Bleakley Twenty shillings. — I give to my Son Charles Bleakley Twenty one pounds being the price of a Horse I give him, but when sold I made use of the Money, I further give the said Charles Twenty shillings. — I give to my Daughter Rebecca Ward twenty pounds, I give to my Grand Son George Ward ten pounds for the purpose of schooling him. — I give to my Son Thomas Bleakley one hundred Acres of Land to be taken of the tract I now live on and on both sides of Biggs ^{but not to pass the paid lands} Strawberry Creek less than thirty poles above the fork. — I give to my Son Benjamin Bleakley one bed and furniture also two third parts of all my Lands not before given and after the death of my Wife her part of the Land is also to be included in the Gift to Benjamin, to him and his heirs for ever, And if any balance left after complying with the above Gifts my Will is that it may be equally divided between all my Children. — And lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my beloved Son James Bleakley and my friend Robert Devin Executors of this my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all other or former Wills or Testaments by me heretofore made In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affix'd my Seal this thirtieth day of April in the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety nine

Signed & Sealed in
Presence of — 3

Robert Finlay

Ph Thomas

William Devin Jun^rWilliam Devin Sen^r

James O Bleakley

mark

A Court held for Pittsylvania County June the 17th 1799

This last Will and Testament of James Bleakley deceased was presented in Court and proved by the Oaths of Robert Finlay and Philip Thomas two of the witnesses thereto Ordered that the same be Recorded. And at another Court held for the said County September the 16th in the year aforesaid the same was again presented in Court, and on the Motion

Examined

James Bleakley and Robert Devin Executors therein named who took the Oath required by Law and together with John Smith and Joseph Devin their securities entered into and acknowledged their Bond in the penalty of five hundred dollars Conditioned as the Law directs Certificate is granted them for obtaining a Probate of the said Will in due form -

Teste Will Tunstall C. J. C.

Ferguson's
Will

In the Name of God Amen I Robert Ferguson of Pittsylvania County in the State of Virginia being in a very low state of health of Body but of sound mind and Memory, thanks to Almighty God for the same do make, constitute and ordain this my last Will and Testament, to wit, Inprimis I give and bequeath to my well beloved Wife Melicent Ferguson the Land and Plantation whereon I now live with all its Appurtenances to be possessed and enjoyed by her for and during her natural life and after her decease the said Land to be sold and the Money arising from the Sale thereof to be divided equally between my Grandsons, William Gregory, Tunstall Gregory, John Gregory and Isaac Gregory (sons of Isaac Gregory) & Donald M. Nicol - Ferguson, son of my Daughter Elizabeth Gregory - I give and bequeath to my well beloved Wife Melicent Ferguson all the rest of my Estate be it of what kind or nature soever to be by her fully possessed and enjoyed or disposed of in any manner which she may judge necessary Lastly I appoint Walter Lamb and John Gregory Executors of this my last Will and Testament, and I do hereby revoke and disannull all and every former Will and Testament declaring this and this only to be my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this Twenty Eighth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety eight -

Signed, Sealed and acknowledged
in the presence of " " " " }

John Jenkins
Jesse Bolton
Nath^l Tunstall

Robert ^{his} Ferguson 
mark

At a Court held for Pittsylvania County, Sept^r the 17th 1798

This last Will and Testament of Robert Ferguson deceased was presented in Court and proved by the Oath of Nathaniel Tunstall one of the witnesses thereto And at another Court held for the said County June the 17th 1799 the same was again presented in Court and further proved by the Oath of John Jenkins another witness thereto Ordered that the same be Recorded And at another Court held for the said County the 15th day of July in the year last aforesaid the same was again presented in Court and Walter Lamb & John Gregory the Executors therein named made Oath thereto according to Law and together with William Smith and Edmund Tunstall their securities entered into & acknowledged their Bond in the penalty of one thousand dollars Conditioned as the Law directs - Certificate is granted them for obtaining a Probate of the said Will in due form -

Teste

Will Tunstall C. J. C.

Examined

Martins
Will

In the Name of God Amen this 19th day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety eight I Thomas Martin being six and week of body but of perfect mind and memory thanks be given unto God for it and calling unto mind the mortality of my and noising that it is appointed ^{and} out for all Men to die and this I take to be my last Will and Testament And first of all I recommend my Body into the hands of Almighty God that gave it me and my Body ^{to be buried} in a Decent Christian bur^{ial} at the Devotion of my Executor Also I bequeath unto my well beloved Wife Lucy Martin five pounds of good and Lawfull Money of Virginia to be paid out of my Estate and my will is that my Children should be bound unto Leonard Dove the is Melly Martin, Syth Martin, Winney Martin, Leanner Martin, and John Martin and my Will is that Melly Martin, Winney Martin and Leanner Martin should be bound unto the said Dove till they are Eighteen years old, and my Will is that Syth Martin and John Martin should be bound unto the said Dove till they are twenty years of age, and I also order that Leonard Dove have my Estate and raise my Children till they come of age and then the Children is to have the Estate, and the said Dove is to collect all my Debts that is due to me and to discharge my Debts as witness my hand and Seal this day and year above written -

Test
his
Elisha & Canduff
much
John Thrasher

Thomas Martin
Lucy & Martin
much

At a Court held for Pittsylvania County June the 17th 1799 -

This last Will and Testament of Thomas Martin deceased was presented in Court and proved by the Oaths of the witnesses thereto Ordered that the same be recorded. And at another Court held for the said County July the 15th in the year aforesaid the same was again presented in Court and Leonard Dove the Executor therein named made Oath thereto according to Law and together with Thomas Simpson and William Saunders his Securies entered into their bond in the penalty of three hundred Dollars conditioned as the Law directs Certificate is granted him for obtaining a Probate of the said Will in due form -

Teste Will Turnball C. P. C

Davis's
Will

In the Name of God Amen I William Davis of Pittsylvania County being far advanced in life though of perfect mind and memory, and knowing that it is appointed for all Men to die do make this my last Will and Testament, that is to say, I give to my son John Davis three head of young Cattle of two years old at least I give to my son Benjamin Davis his heirs and Assigns for ever One hundred and fifty Acres of land including my Mansion House, out Houses and Plantation, to begin at my upper line on the South side of Great Cherry Stone Creek, thence down the said Creek as it meanders to about halfway between my Plantation and Mill - thence off southwardly a proper distance to take in the said Plantation, thence by a line to be run Westwardly to my upper old line to include the aforesaid hundred and fifty Acres, and also my Negro Man named James I give to my son Joseph Davis his

Heirs and assigns for ever One hundred and fifty Acres of Land joining his Brother
 Benjamin's ^{line} when run, and my upper old line to include Brother Lubbin and joining
 Perry's line. Item I give to my son Thomas Davis his heirs and assigns for ever
 all the remaining part of my Tract of Land, except one Acre on the South side of the
 aforesaid Creek contiguous to my Mill and all that piece or parcel of my land on the
 North side of the said Creek contiguous to my said Mill and joining the lines of
 Robert Wooding and John Parks Gentlemen. Item I lend to my Daughter Nancy
 Dicket and her Heirs of her body Lawfully begotten one Negro Girl named Daffney
 and the increase of the said Girl, though for want of such Heirs and Increase it is my
 Will that the said Negro Girl Daffney shall descend to William Dicket Her Son and to my
 said Daughter Nancy Dicket and his heirs for ever. It is also my Will that if the said
 increase after my Daughter Nancy's death that that increase shall descend to the said
 William Dicket and his Heirs. Item I give to my Daughter Peggy Davis her Heirs
 and assigns for ever one Negro Girl named Queen one Negro boy named Abraham
 and all my Stock of Beece. Item I give to my son in Law William Corbin one Negro
 boy named Harry and one feather Bed in consideration of a debt due him from me
 on my Brother's acc^t, the Bed he has in possession. Item I give to my son in Law
 Thomas Maide the Money he owes me by bond and desire the bond may be cancelled
 Item I give to my sons Joseph and Thomas Davis jointly and severally their Heirs and
 assigns for ever my Grist Mill together with one Acre of Land contiguous thereto on
 the South side of the Creek also all that piece or parcel of Land contiguous thereto on the
 North side of the said Creek joining the lines of Robert Wooding and John Parks
 Gentlemen as before. Item it is also my Will and I do hereby give all the rest and
 remainder of my Estate both Real and Personal to my three youngest Children, to
 wit, Joseph Davis, Thomas Davis and Lucy Davis to be as equally divided amongst
 them as may be or the survivors of them their Heirs and assigns for ever. Item it is
 also my Will and I do order accordingly that my son Benjamin shall immediately
 rebuild my aforesaid Mill the hole to be done in a Workmanlike manner with
 a good boulding Bloath and bearing at least Eight feet Water at the piee head
 in consideration of which it is my Will that my said son Benjamin shall keep
 possession of my said Mill and all my working Slaves the term of three year for his own
 use and behoof and after the expiration of the said term it is my Will that the said Mill
 in good repair and the said Slaves well clothed be delivered up to and for the use of my
 other Children as is by this Will directed. Item it is also my Will that my Daughters
 have the use of my little room as long as they shall respectively live single
 and be supplied with provision from the profits of my Mill. Item it is also my Will
 that if my son Benjamin shall refuse to rebuild my Mill on the terms aforesaid that
 my Executors forthwith let the rebuilding ^{be} to any person who will rebuild her on the
 aforesaid terms. It is also my Will that the Timbers be for rebuilding my aforesaid Mill
 be got from off any part of the tract of Land whereon I now live. It is also my Will that if
 either of my sons Joseph or Thomas die before they arrive to Lawfull age or unmarried
 that then the sole right of my Mill shall descend to the survivor of them also the Slaves and
 other personal Estate belonging to the Deceased. Item I give to my son in Law George
 Mires nothing more of my Estate than which I have already given him which he has
 now in possession. Item I give my son in Law Daniel Bradley nothing more of my Estate
 than what I have already given him, to wit, the Land whereon he now lives.

It is also my Will that my Executors dispose of as much of my Crops now on hand as shall be sufficient to pay the Debt due to Daniel Bradley from me on Acc^t of my Brother's Estate deducting therefrom seven pound lawfull Money for a feather Bed belonging to me now in possession of the said Bradley. And lastly I do hereby appoint my friend John Sparks together with my son Benjamin Executors of this my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have here set my hand and Seal this fourth day of June one thousand seven hundred and ninety

Signed Seal and published
in presence of —

Thos H Wooding
William Miers
Jacob Miers
George Miers jun^r

William ^{his} Davis ^{mark}

Examined

A Court held for Pittsylvania County the 20th day of June 1791
The above written last Will and Testament of William Davis deceased was exhibited into Court and proved by the Oaths of two of the witnesses thereto to be the act and deed of the said William Davis and the same was Ordered to be recorded By the Court
Teste Will Turnball Jr C^l

Herrings
Will

I William Herring of the County of Pittsylvania being in perfect Health Senses and memory, thanks be to God for it I do now make and publish this as my last Will and Testament in manner and form as following First I desire all my just Debts to be paid and satisfied Item I give and bequeath unto my well beloved Wife Mary three Negroes named Phill. Hanner and Sarah together with the future increase of the said female Slaves Also one feather Bed and furniture to her and her heirs and assigns for ever. Item I give and bequeath unto Lodovick Farmer one Negro boy now in his possession named Moses to him and his heirs and assigns for ever. Item I give and bequeath unto my Son Langford Herring besides what I have already given him five shillings and no more Item I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Irmin Farmer the Negro man Slave named Adden now in her possession to her and her heirs and assigns for ever Item I give and bequeath unto my Son Armistead Herring Negroes named Neyer and Peg Neyer being now in his possession together with the future increase of the said Peg to him and his heirs and assigns for ever I also give and Bequeath to my said Son Armistead two hundred Acres of Land whereon he now lives to him and his heirs and assigns for ever Item I give and bequeath unto my Son John Herring two hundred and twenty nine Acres of Land adjoining his Brother Armistead tract and besides forty pounds cash I have already given him one Negro Girl Named Alice together with her future increase to him and his heirs and assigns for ever Item I give and bequeath unto my son William Herring two hundred and twenty five Acres of Land to be laid off at the lower end of the tract I now live on to him and his heirs and assigns for ever also two Negroes named Piller and Joe together with the future increase of the said Piller Item I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Polly West Herring two Negroes namely Winney and Orange together with the future increase of the said Winney to her and her heirs and assigns for ever Item I give and bequeath unto my son Washington Herring two hundred and twenty five Acres

of

Land being the upper part of the track I now live on also two Negroes named Dave & Pat together with the future increase of the said Pat to him his heirs and assigns forever and all my stock of every kind I now have may be equally divided between my four children namely John, William, Polly West and Washington, and my Will and desire is that the Negroes I have not hereby disposed of and their future increase, if any, should remain and be in my Estate for the support and schooling of my youngest children and when my youngest son Washington shall come to Lawful age then these Negroes to be equally divided between my Daughter Amin and my Daughter Polly West and my Sons Amestead, John and William & Washington which I give to them and their heirs and assigns forever, And I appoint my friends Beverley Barksdale & my son John Executors of this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all former Wills Gifts and bequests made by me in any manner heretofore made Testating and confirming this and no other to be my last Will and Testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed Seal this second day of May in the year of our Lord seventeen hundred ninety eight in the Name of God Amen -

Signed, sealed and delivered
in the presence of us - 3

Test Gideon Bagland
Henry Ford
Jared Ford
Mingah Beal

W^m Herring

At a Court held for Pittsylvania County the 16th day of September 1799. This last Will and Testament of William Herring deceased was presented in Court and proved by the Oaths of Gideon Bagland, Henry Ford and Jared Ford - three of the witnesses thereto and Ordered to be recorded, on the Motion of Beverley Barksdale one of the Executors therein named who took the Oath required by Law and together with Gideon Bagland, Henry Ford and Thomas Chelton his Sureties entered into and acknowledged their Bond in the penalty of five thousand dollars, Conditioned as the Law directs, Certificate is granted him for obtaining a Probate of the said Will in due form, and liberty is reserved to John Herring the other Executor to join in the said Probate when he shall think fit -

Teste

Will Turnball Esq, 16

In the Name of God Amen I Lazarus Dodson of the County of Pittsylvania and State of Virginia being weak and infirm of body but of perfect mind and memory do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say, I give and recommend my soul into the hand of Almighty God that gave it, and my body I recommend to the Earth to be buried in decency at the discretion of my Executors, and touching such Worldly Estate which it hath pleased God to bless me with I Will and bequeath in the following manner and form, and first after all my Lawful Debts are paid I Will and bequeath to my well beloved Wife Alice Dodson her Negro Women, one called young Lucy the other Marjory, together with the priviledge of my Home and Plantation, a Bed and as much of my other Household and Kitchen furniture as she shall desire to keep during her life. I Will and bequeath to my son George Dodson my Land and Plantation after the death of his Mother to be fully and freely enjoyed - by him his heirs or assigns forever I Will also give and bequeath to my daughter

Marquet Dodson

one feather bed and furniture, one flax Wheel and a Mare and Saddle and bridle which is already called ~~his~~ ^{her} ~~mine~~ ^{hers}. I now give and bequeath all the remainder of my Personal Estate to be equally divided between my seven Children viz. Rebecca ^{Rebecca} ~~Dodson~~, George ^{George} ~~Dodson~~, Elizabeth ^{Elizabeth} ~~Ingram~~, Rachel ^{Rachel} ~~Madding~~, Rhoda ^{Rhoda} ~~Dodson~~, Tabitha ^{Tabitha} ~~Dodson~~ and Margaret ^{Margaret} ~~Dodson~~. I do likewise constitute make and ordain my son George ^{George} ~~Dodson~~ the sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament — and I do hereby utterly disallow, revoke and disannul all and every other former Wills and Testaments by me in any wise before named, Willed and bequeathed — Ratifying and Confirming this and no other to be my last Will and Testament. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this second day of May Anno Dom one thousand seven hundred and ninety five — Here I also desire that my well beloved Wife may have a beast and Saddle and as much of my other Stock as she shall see cause to take to live upon during her life.

Signed, Sealed, published and pronounced by the said Lazarus ^{his} ~~Dodson~~ as his last Will and Testament in the presence of us, who in his presence and the presence of each other have hereunto subscribed our Names —

George ^{his} ~~Dodson~~
Robert ^{his} ~~Madding~~
Larkin ^{mark} ~~Ingram~~

Lazarus ^{his} ~~Dodson~~ ^{mark}

At a Court held for Pittsylvania County Septem^r the 16th 1799
 This last Will and Testament of Lazarus ^{his} ~~Dodson~~ deceased was presented in Court and proved by the Oaths of George ^{his} ~~Dodson~~ and Robert ^{his} ~~Madding~~ two of the witnesses thereto. Ordered that the same be recorded, on the Motion of George ^{his} ~~Dodson~~ Executor therein named who took the Oath required by Law and together with George ^{his} ~~Dodson~~, Robert ^{his} ~~Solomon~~ and Robert ^{his} ~~Madding~~ his securities entered into and acknowledged their Bonds in the penalty of five thousand dollars Conditioned as the Law directs. Certificate is granted him for obtaining a Probate of the said Will in due form —

Teste Will ^{his} ~~Tunstall~~ ^{CLK}

Examined

Kelley's
 Will

In the Name of God Amen. I Hugh ^{being} ~~Kelley~~ ^{very} ~~being~~ ^{sick} and weak of body but in perfect memory and sound judgment, thank be unto God for the same, but calling unto mind the mortality of this body and knowing that it is appointed for all flesh to die do constitute ordain and make this my last Will and Testament (viz) Principally and first I give and recommend my Soul into the hands of Almighty God who gave it and my body I recommend to the Earth to be buried in a Christian burial at the discretion of my Executors — nothing doubting but I shall receive the same by the Almighty power of God — and as touching such Worldly blessings as it has pleased God to bestow on me I give and Devise in the manner following, first I give and bequeath unto my Granddaughter Elizabeth ^{her} ~~Kelley~~ one bed and furniture one Iron Pot and two pare of books and one Dutch Oven and one Walnut Chest, and secondly I give unto my Granddaughter Neshe ^{her} ~~Kelley~~ one bed and furniture and one

Nine

Chart, and thirdly I give unto my Grandson Patrick Kelly twenty pounds to be raised out of my Estate and fourthly I give and bequeath unto my four Granddaughters Nishe Kelly, Elizabeth Kelly, Mary Kelly and Leah Kelly twenty pounds each to be raised from the said of my Negro boy Moses, or an equal division of what he will fetch, and fifthly I leave the residue of my Estate to be equally divided among my five Grandchildren above mentioned, and sixthly and lastly I constitute and appoint my Son Hugh Kelly and Cuthbert Hudson my Executors, and I do hereby revoke and disannul all other Wills and Testaments before made by me, ratifying this to be my last Will and testament, in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and this twenty seventh day of December 1797

Signed, sealed and Published
in presence of —

Amstead Hering
Martin ^{his} Hardin
Bolin ^{his} Kerby

Hugh H Kelly ^{his} mark

A Court held for Pittsylvania County July the 15. 1799 -

This last Will and Testament of Hugh Kelly deceased was presented in Court and proved by the Oath ^{Charles Hardin} of the witnesses thereto, and at another Court held for the said County the 16th day of September in the year aforesaid, the same was again presented in Court and further proved by the oaths of the witnesses thereto, and the Witnesses thereto. Ordered that the same be recorded. One on the Motion of Hugh Kelly one of the Executors therein named (Cuthbert Hudson the other Executor refusing to qualify) who made oath according to Law and together with the said Cuthbert Hudson his Surety entered into and acknowledged this bond in the penalty of One thousand dollars conditioned as the Law directs to be qualified herefor obtaining thereof in due form.

Richd. White. Trustee of C. C.

Richardson's
Will

In the Name of God Amen I James Richardson Sen^r of Pittsylvania County and State of Virginia being sick in body but of perfect mind and memory and calling to mind the Mortality of my body and knowing it is appointed for all Men once to die do make this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following Viz I give my Negroe Woman Moll her freedom at the Expiration of ten years from my death and her Children at their coming to the age of twenty five years. I likewise I give unto my loving Wife Mary Richardson the use of all my Estate during her Widowhood upon her paying to my Son Benjamin and to the Child or Children she is now pregnant with as much Money at their coming of age as shall be equally proportionable to the Money which is arising from Landings and Morises Estates that is left to my four eldest Children, William, James, Lucy and Henry And in case she should Marry my Will and desire is that she may have one third part of my Estate during her natural life and then to return to my Children in manner as I shall make mention, that is, the two thirds of Personal Estate at her Marriage to be sold and the Land rented out, And the Money arising from such sale to be equally divided among all my Children which I now have And also the Child or Children that my Wife

is now pregnant with And at her death the balance of my Personal Estate with all my Lands to be sold and the money divided in like manner as before mentioned And further I desire my Children may all be School'd out of my Estate, and when they have a sufficiency of Learning as may be thought proper by my Exrs hereafter mentioned my desire is that the Sons may all be bound out to some Trade that may be thought most proper by my Exrs I do appoint my Brother William Richardson and Joseph Dodson Exrs to this my last Will and Testament, And further I do make Null and Void every other Will or Wills by me before made in Writings whereof I have been unto set my hand and affixed my seal this Nineteenth day of January 1797. Wth the Increase of my Negroe Woman Moll shall all serve my family till they arrive to the age of twenty five years —

James Richardson

Signed Sealed and delivered
in presence of —

Dan^l S. Farley —
Thomas X Teebish

mark
Jesse Richardson
Elijah Hendrick

At a Court held for Pittsylvania County October the 21. 1799 —
This last Will and Testament of James Richardson deceased was presented in Court and proved by the Oath of Thomas Teebish a subscribing witness thereto and it appearing to the Court by the Oath of Robert Walters that the said Will is Signed in the hand writing of the said Decedent, it is Ordered that the same be Recorded. and on the Motion of Joseph Dodson one of the Executors therein named who took the Oath by Law required and together with Gardner Mays Thomas Shelton and Bennett Shelton his Secutives entered into and acknowledged their Bond in the penalty of two thousand dollars Conditioned as the Law directs Certificate is granted him for obtaining a probate of the said Will in due form And leave is reserved to the other Executor in the said Will named to join in the Probate when he shall think fit — Teste Will Turnstall Tps

Harris's
Will

In the Name of God Amen I Samuel Harris of Pittsylvania County and State of Virginia being sound in mind do this Thirteenth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety nine make, constitute and Ordain this my last Will and Testament, revoking all others previously made whatsoever in manner form and substance following, to wit, 1st My body to be interred in a decent and Christian like manner and every Brother Minister by whom I am regarded be requested to deliver a solemn discourse on the occasion at such time and such place as they may think proper from the 2^d Timothy Chap. II. Verses the 7 & 8. — 2nd All my just and Lawfull Debts (should there be any) to be punctually paid — previous to the Distribution of any Legacies out of my Personal Estate so that no Creditor may have just cause for murmur. 3rd My Lands, including the Plantation lately possessed by my son Samuel and that at present occupied by my son Benjamin as also all the Lands and Houses I possess whatsoever to be divided at such time

This Will is true by reason of a Will of this J. Richardson of a delinquent note being paid and answered. See page 228. Will Turnstall Tps

such manner as my Executors may think most proper and advantageous into three parts; each equal in Value. One third I Will and bequeath to my son Nathaniel and his Heirs for ever, one third to my son Benjamin and his heirs for ever and the other third to my Executors for the benefit of my son Samuel and his Heirs, the profits whereof to be bestowed by my Executors on the said Samuel as there is actual occasion - but the right to remain in my said Executors untill they may have just cause to believe the said Samuel will make a proper and desirable use of it, and not till then is my said Executors to give up the said one third of my Lands to the said Samuel and his Heirs for ever; Nevertheless I give the preference of choice to either of my sons that has occupied any part of my Land to have the Plantation so occupied on their said one third - 11 Five of my Negroes, Hannibal, Pompey, old Robt, Jenny and York having hitherto faithfully served me to be immediately set free, should they or any of them choose it. 5 All my other Negroes, as also all my personal Estate whatsoever including the Negroes and other property I have from time to time delivered to any of my Children which is to be considered only as Loans, except the Increase of a Negroe Girl lent my Daughter Mary Buckley which will be mentioned hereafter, After paying my just Debts and Twenty dollars worth of clothing to my Daughter Mary Buckley to be divided by my Executors at such time and in such manner as they may think most proper and advantageous into five parts, each equal in Value. One fifth I Will and bequeath to my Son Nathaniel, one fifth to my son Benjamin and one fifth to my Daughter Elizabeth Perkins and their Heirs for ever; One fifth to my Executors for the same purpose as the last third of my Lands before mentioned and to be at the discretion of my said Executors to retain the said one fifth and not to give it up to my son Samuel untill they may have just cause to believe a proper and desirable use may be made of it, but the profits thereof to be for his benefit. the other and last fifth with the increase of a Negroe Girl named Dillery lent my Daughter Mary Buckley before mentioned, to my Executors for the benefit of, or the profits arising therefrom to be bestowed on my Daughter Mary Buckley so long as she may stand in need at the discretion of my said Executors in whom the right is to remain also at their discretion, and not till my said Executors may have just cause to believe the said Mary is in circumstances to live free from want all her days are they to give up the same to the Children of the said Mary Buckley (after being of Lawfull age) all to share alike And I do earnestly enjoin on my said Executors not to let my said Daughter Mary suffer for want of any of the Necessaries of Life upon any consideration whatever. 6 Should any of my Children die without Issue or without a Lawfull Consent then their Portion to devolve to the Survivors to be equally divided agreeable to the nature and meaning of the foregoing, Reserving Nevertheless the right to such as may die to Will their Portion to whom they please of their Brothers and Sisters - but to no other 7 And lastly I do hereby make and constitute my two Sons Nathaniel and Benjamin Executors of this my last Will to see the same performed according to its true intent and meaning so far as in their power lies -

Witness present

Sam. Harris

Interlined the third superfluous Word marked out

Christopher Conway

George Sutherland junr

Allen Stokes

Thomas Pickole Senr

Jarvis M. Donald

At a Court held for Pittsylvania County October the 21. 1799

This last Will and Testament of Samuel Harris deceased was presented in Court and proved by the Oaths of Allen Stokes and James McDonald two of the subscribing Witnesses thereto, Ordered that the same be recorded, And on the Motion of Benjamin Harris one of the Executors therein named, who made Oath agreeable to Law and together with William Wilkinson, Abia Cheatham, William Payne, and George Sutherland jr his Securities entered into and acknowledged their Bond in the penalty of Twenty thousand Dollars Conditioned as the Law directs Certificate is granted him for obtaining a Probate thereof in due form, and leave is reserved Nathaniel Harris the other Executor therein named to join in the Probate when he shall think fit — And at another Court held for Said County the 16th day of November in the year 1782, On the Motion of the said Nathaniel Harris who made oath according to Law, and together with William Black, William Winbush and John Carter his Securities entered into and acknowledged their Bond in the penalty of Twenty thousand Dollars Conditioned as the Law directs, Certificate is granted him to lay out in the Probate of the said Will. *Take Will Testament left*

Examined
1082
Elliots
Will

In the Name of God Amen I Thomas Elliot of Pittsylvania County being of sound and perfect memory do appoint this my last Will and Testament in manner and form as followeth Viz first of all I give my Soul to God through the Merits of my Redeemer Jesus Christ and my Body to be decently buried by my Executors hereafter mentioned Item I give and bequeath to my loving Wife Elizabeth Elliot one grey Horse, a new Hunting Saddle and Bridle, one black Cow and white Heifer Yearling and four head of Sheep, one large bob tail Sow and ten head of Hogs more that worth about Home, likewise all my Household furniture, together with all my Corn, Meat and fat to her and her heirs and assigns for ever Item it is my Will and devise that my Wife as above mentioned have the sole and sole use of my Plantation with the proper Utensils thereof during her Widowhood Item I give and bequeath to my Son James Elliot one pound five shillings Cash Item I give and bequeath to my Son Simon Elliot all my Land to him his heirs and assigns forever, but in case he should die without a lawful heir begotten of his body then my Will and devise is that " " " " " " " " my Brother James Elliot's Sons Thomas and William have the Land Item I give and bequeath to my Brother James Elliot my great boat, one blue Waistcoat and pair of Leather Breeches to him his heirs and assigns for ever Item it is my Will and devise that after my death that all the residue of my Estate such as Horses, Cattle & Hogs, together with every thing that is not above mentioned be sold at Publick Sale and Eighteen Months Credit be allowed the Purchasers by giving bond with approved Security, and the Money arising therefrom to remain in the hands of my Executors until my Son Simon Elliot come to age to receive the same and then that it be given him Item I give and bequeath to my Son Simon Elliot Fifteen pounds Cash and my Will and devise is that it be kept for him

And I do also appoint William Summers, Christopher and Allen Stokes Executors of this my last Will and Testament Given under my hand and Seal this Tenth day of May one thousand seven hundred and ninety —

Scales, signed and delivered
in presence of

Witnesses Benjamin } William Ann } A. Williams
mark mark

Thomas Elliot

Richardson
Will

other Will or Wills by me before made in Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seal this Twenty first day of Sep^r 1799
 Signed, Sealed and delivered
 in presence of — } James Richardson
 Peter & Smith
 Thomas & Turbish

At a Court held for Pittsylvania County December the 16th 1799

This Will was presented in Court, and it appearing that the same is of a later date than a Will of the within named James Richardson heretofore proven and Recorded in this Court, it is Ordered that the Probate of the said former Will and all proceedings concerning the same be rescinded, and this Will being proven by the Oath of Thomas Turbish a witness thereto and by the Oaths of William Richardson and Henry Cook to be in the handwriting of the said Testator Ordered that the same be recorded and on the Motion of Joseph Dodson one of the Executors therein named who took the Oath required by Law and together with the said Henry Cook and William Richardson his securities entered into and acknowledged this bond in the penalty of one thousand pounds Conditioned as the Law directs Certificate is granted him for obtaining a Probate of the said Will in due form —

Teste Will Tunstall C/T & C

Thomas's
Will

In the Name of God Amen I George Thomas of Pittsylvania County and State of Virginia being sick in body but thanks be to God in perfect mind and memory, and calling to mind the mortality of my body and knowing it is appointed for all Men once to die do make, ordain, constitute and appoint this to be my last Will and Testament in manner and form following, that is to say first of all I give to my Brother John Thomas a piece of Land lying North of my Tract from Charles Lewis's corner to Samuel Hupsons Corner which he purchased of my Brother John Thomas. Item I give and bequeath all the rest of my Lands to be equally divided between my Brother Asa Thomas and Peyton Thomas - I give all the rest of my Estate after paying my Debts also to Asa and Peyton Thomas, but if it should not be sufficient to pay them they are jointly to pay them - I appoint Asa and Peyton Thomas Executors to this my last Will and Testament making Null and Void all and every other by me heretofore made In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seal this fifteenth day of October 1799 -

Signed, Sealed and delivered
 in presence of — }
 Dan^d & Turley
 J^r & Beach
 mark
 Sarah Thomas
 Philip Cooks

his
George X Thomas
mark

At a Court held for Pittsylvania County December the 16th 1799

This last Will and Testament of George Thomas deceased was presented in Court and proved by the Oaths of John Brock and Philip Cox two of the witnesses thereto Ordered that the same be Read

Examined

Dix's Will

In the Name of God Amen I William Dix of the County of Pittsylvania being in perfect mind and memory return my sincere thanks to Almighty God for his blessings bestowed on me in this life and that my body may return to the dust and my Soul to the ever living Power that gave it, and as to my Worldly Estate he has been pleased to bestow upon me I give and bequeath in the following manner, to wit. First I desire that all my just Debts be paid and discharged I then I give and bequeath to my Daughter Patsy Bookers Hill Wife of Isaac Hill my Land on the south side of Hanses Creek beginning at the mouth of the said Creek, thence up the said Creek to the road crossing the said Creek below my Mill on said Creek, thence along the said Road to the back line on a small pine thence South to the Country line, thence West ~~one~~ the said line to the river Dan, thence up the said River as it meanders to the beginning provided my Son in Law Isaac Hill claims no more of the Property under the Deed of Gift made to his Wife than his proportionable part of the Property in the said Deed mentioned. If he the said Hill claims the Property under the Deed of Gift, the before mentioned Land I desire to be divided between my two youngest Children John M Dix and Kerenhappuch Dix. I then I give and bequeath to my Son John M Dix that part of Land on the North side of Hanses Creek beginning at the mouth of the said Creek running up the river as it meanders to the second gut above the ferry, thence up the said gut to the head, from thence to Hanses Creek leaving Russells place on the left side, then a direct course to the back line, thence along the said line to a small pine near the road leading from my Mill to the Mountain Hill, thence along the said Road to the said Mill on Hanses Creek, thence down the said Creek to the beginning including the said Mill and ferry Landings on each side the River. I then I give and bequeath to my Daughter Kerenhappuch Dix the balance of my River tract of Land together with my Land on Sandy River also the Land I purchased of Waken and also the Land I purchased of Larkin Dix lying at Daville, which Land I want Improved when there is Money sufficient from her part of the above lands that is to be sold I then I send to my Wife all my personable Estate of every kind whatsoever during her natural life I send to my Wife all the Lands I have given to my two youngest Children also profits of the Orchards below Hanses Creek until my eldest Son John M Dix becomes of age in consequence of said laws made my Wife she is to Read School and cloath my said two youngest Children John M Dix and Kerenhappuch Dix in a Decent & genteel manner. The Land I purchased of Humphrey Hendrick and my Land in Cumberland I desire to be sold in the most advantageous manner my Executors should think best the profits arising therefrom to be applied to pay my just Debts I then and lastly I appoint my Wife executrix, Isaac Hill, Larkin Dix, Dudley Gatewood and Simon Adams Executors to this my last Will and Testament revoking all other Will or Wills in Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this Twenty sixth day of February 1800

I now presents of
Simon Adams William Wright
William Payne John Gilfoy

William Dix

At a Court held for Pittsylvania County April the 21st 1800

This last Will and Testament of William Den deceased was presented in Court and proved by the Oaths of two of the witnesses thereto Ordered that the same be Recorded and at another Court held for the said County May the 17th 1802 the same was again presented in Court and the Executors herein named having been frequently summoned to appear and take upon themselves or some one of them the burden of the Execution of the said Will, and no one appearing for that purpose, on the motion of Thomas Burnett, testifies is granted him for obtaining Letters of Administration of all and singular the Goods and Chattels, Rights and Credits, which were of the said Testator at the time of his Death with his said Will annexed, he having first taken the Oath by Law prescribed, and together with Benjamin Harris his Security entered into and acknowledged their Bond in the penalty of One Thousand pounds, Conditioned as the Law directs -

Teste Will Turnstall C^{ler}

Cox John
Will

In the Name of God Amen. I John Cox of Pittsylvania County and State of Virginia being in perfect memory, and in reasonable health, but calling to mind the Mortality of the body, in order to prevent disputes that might rise after my decease concerning my Worldly goods I do make and constitute this to be my last Will and Testament, and first of all trusting in the mercy of God my Saviour I must humbly resign my Soul to God who gave it, and my body to the Earth to be buried at the discretion of my Children in a decent manner. Secondly I give and bequeath to my Daughter Unity Nelson the Land whereon she and Joshua Nelson now lives during her life but not for the said Nelson to sell or make any title to any other body, but if she the said Unity live any longer then her Husband than for her to dispose of the Land as she pleases, but if she Unity Nelson should dye first, then the said Land to be equally divided between the rest of my Children. Thirdly I give and bequeath to my Daughter Prudence Cox the Land whereon I now live. Fourthly I give and bequeath to my Daughter Charity Cox the Land whereon Israel Curry now lives. I also do give and bequeath all the rest of my Estate to my two Daughters Prudence and Charity, after my Debts is paid. I also do constitute my Son James Cox to be my Executor of this my last Will and Testament to see that it shall be put in force as Witness my hand and Seal this 7th day April 1800 -

Teste

Gilbert Burnett

John T. Jeffers

John I Cox

mark

At a Court held for Pittsylvania County June the 16th 1800

This last Will and Testament of John Cox deceased was presented in Court and proved by the Oaths of the witnesses thereto Ordered that the same be Recorded, and James Cox the Executor herein appointed having first taken the Oath by Law prescribed and together with Gilbert Burnett and Laban Gresham his securities entered into and acknowledged their Bond in the penalty of five hundred dollars Conditioned as the Law directs, on his Certificate is granted him for obtaining a Probate of the said Will in due form

Teste Will Turnstall C^{ler}

Butchers
Will

Butchers
Will

In the Name of God Amen I William Butcher Sr of the County of
Pittsylvania being in perfect mind and memory but intimating that it is
appointed for Man to die I do hereby Ordain and declare this Instrument of
Writing to be my last Will and Testament. Item I lend to my beloved Wife
Jane Butcher my tract of Land whereon I now live containing four
hundred Acres, it being the Land I purchased from William Hopwood
during her natural life or Widowhood Also I lend to my beloved Wife
Jane Butcher all my Stock consisting of Horses, Cattle and Hogs & all my
Household and Kitchen furniture during her natural life or Widowhood
Excepting what is hereafter given to my young Children Vizt, my Son George
Butcher is to have a Horse, Bridle & Saddle of equal Value to those given to
my Sons that is now of age Vizt, James, John & William Butcher Also my
Son Isaac Butcher is to have a Horse Bridle and Saddle when he comes of age
of equal value with the Horses &c I have given to my above mentioned Sons
that is now of age Which said Horses, Bridles and Saddles is to be furnished
out of my Estate lent to my beloved Wife Jane Butcher I give to my Daughter
Lidia Butcher one feather Bed & furniture and one Cow & Calf when she
comes of age or marries Also I give to my Daughter Polly Butcher one
feather Bed and furniture and one Cow & Calf when she comes of age or
marries Also I give to my Daughter Elizabeth Butcher one feather Bed and
furniture and one Cow and Calf when she comes of age or marries Which
said Beds & furniture and Cows and Calves given to my three young Daughters
now with me to come out of my Estate lent to my Wife and after my beloved
Wife Jane Butcher has furnished my two Sons George and Isaac Butcher
with the two Horses, Bridles & Saddles and my three Daughters Lidia, Polly
and Elizabeth Butchers with the three Beds and furniture and three Cows &
Calves as above mentioned the balance or residue of my Stock as aforesaid and
Household and Kitchen furniture she is to have during her natural life or
Widowhood as my Children which have already come of age Vizt James, John
and William Butcher and my two Daughters Vizt Cassy Murphy & Phoebe
Sando has already received as much of my Estate as I intend for them untill
my Wife's death or expiration of her Widowhood and I give ^{and bequeath} unto my youngest
Son Benjamin Butcher my dwelling House and Plantation whereon I now live
with One hundred and fifty Acres of Land adjoining to the said Plantation, but it
is to be understood that the said One hundred and fifty Acres of Land given to
him is to include the said Plantation, that is only one hundred and fifty Acres
given to him out of my tract of four hundred Acres, but he is not to have the
said House, Plantation and Land as aforesaid until after my Wife's death at
which time I give the same to him and his heirs forever. And Whereas there
is two Bonds due from me to William Hopwood the said Bonds being in part
of the price of the tract of Land I purchased of said Hopwood, My Will and desire
is that out of the Money I now have on hand and the Money due me yet

the said bonds to be paid out of, and the balance or residue of the said Money I give to my beloved Wife Jane Butcher and to be at her own disposal. My Will and desire is that after my Wife's death all the Stock & and Household and Kitchen furniture as lent to her to be equally divided between all my Children. And my Will is that after my Wife's death the remaining part of my tract of Land after giving to my Son Benjamin Butcher his One hundred and fifty Acres as above mentioned to be equally divided amongst all my Children (except my Son Benjamin Butcher who is to have no part of the remaining part of the tract of Land which is two hundred and fifty Acres - In this my last Will and Testament I do hereby constitute and appoint my beloved Wife Jane Butcher my Executrix and my Son John Butcher my Executor In Witness whereof I hath hereunto set my hand and Seal this 2^d day of April 1800 -

Signed, Sealed in
the presence of }

W^m Clark
W^m Williams
John Neal
Sam^l Goodman

William Butcher Sr &c

- His Court held for Pittsylvania County July the 21st 1800 -

This last Will and Testament of William Butcher deceased was presented in Court and proved by the Oaths of William Clark, John Neal and Samuel Goodman three of the witnesses hereto Ordered that the same be recorded, and Jane Butcher and John Butcher the Executrix and Executor herein appointed having first taken the Oath of an Executor by Law prescribed and together with James Butcher and James Murphy their Securities entered into and Acknowledged their bond in the penalty of Twenty thousand dollars Conditioned as the Law directs, on their Motion Certificate is granted them for obtaining a Probate of the said Will in due form -

Teste Will Tunstall C/16

Examined
Maddings
Nuncup^a
Will

We Mary Madding and Margaret Dodson both of Pittsylvania County and State of Virginia do hereby certify that John Madding deceased late of the said County on his death bed the thirty first day of August in the year of our Lord Christ one thousand eight hundred that then the said Mary Madding sitting by the said John Madding had the said Margaret Dodson called in to him, and in their presence declared that he did not want a Will that he had formerly made and lodged in the possession of George Dodson proved not brought forward, but that his desire was such first that his youngest son Scarlet Madding should have One hundred and fifty Acres of Land joining Skappens Land running up the big branch including the Housing that they then lived in and consented that his Wife Sarah Madding should have her living

the said place and likewise that the remainder of his Lands he desired should be equally divided by quantity of Acres among his other five Sons Viz Larkin Mading, Thomas Mading, John Mading, Joel Mading and Abolom Mading only so that Larkin Mading should have the place that he lives on, and that Thomas Mading should have the place that he had marked for him and further the said Mary Mading declareth that she heard the said John Mading say that he desired that his Daughter Nannee Dodson should have a black Cow formerly called hers, and again taking her by the hand and repeated again that he wanted her to have the said Cow, and that his other property he wanted to be divided among his Daughters Witnefs our hands this third day of September one thousand eight hundred —

Mary ^{her} Mading
mark

Margaret ^{her} Dodson
mark

Pettigluania

This day came Mary Mading and Margaret Dodson before me a Justice of the peace for the said County and made Oath to the above Declaration the said Margaret Dodson confessing only that she was not present or did not hear when the said Mading deceased mentioned his desire for his Daughter Nannee Dodson to have the said Cow. Given under my hand this 3 day of September 1800

Robert Wallers

A Court held for Pettigluania County December the 15. 1800

This Nuncupative Will of John Mading deceased was presented in Court and proved by the Oaths of the within named Mary Mading and Margaret Dodson Ordered that the same be recorded And at another Court held for the said County February the 16. 1801 Sarah Mading Widow and Relict of the said Testator relinquished her right of Administration on his Estate to Larkin Mading to whom the same is granted with the said Will annexed having first taken the Oath by Law prescribed and together with Robert Mading and Jonas Waller his Securities entered into and acknowledged their Bond in the Penalty of one thousand dollars Conditioned as the Law directs —

Teste

Will Turnstall CJC

Williams's
Will

In the Name of God Amen I Leonard Williams of the County of Pettigluania and State of Virginia being in a low State of health — but of sound and perfect Sense and Memory do make and Ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following Item I give and bequeath to my beloved Brother Bennett Williams my Tract of Land lying and being on Dix branch in Warren County North Carolina One hundred and seven Acres, it being the Land left to me by my Father Francis Williams last Will, Also one Negro Slave by the name of Jim given to me by my Father's last Will, Also the Money owing me from James Burras it being the sum of Twenty six pounds — Eighteen shillings and four pence and from John Gunn Twenty five pounds — Both of the County of Warren Also that part of Estate left me by my Father's Will that is now in the possession of my Mother Marget Williams, (to wit) it being

feather Bed and furniture and such part of Stock as the Executors think fit - Also my wearing apparel including all and every part of Estate that may now belong to me whether mentioned or not. And lastly my desire and Will is that my beloved Brother Bennett Williams and my Uncle Peermenas Williams be my Soul Executors of this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking - and disannulling all other former Wills or Testaments by me heretofore made and this and this only to be my last in Witness my hand and Seal this Twenty first day of November Eighteen hundred -

Teste

Jas Williams

Thomas Wortham

Rowland Thornton

Leonard Williams (Seal)

At a Court held for Potteryloania County, Tied by the 16th. 1801

This last Will and Testament of Leonard Williams deceased was presented in Court and proved by the Oaths of the subscribing witnesses thereto Ordered that the same be recorded, and on the Motion of Bennett Williams one of the Executors herein named who made Oath - - - according to Law and together with Thomas Wortham, Doury Pulliam and Halcott Townes his Securities entered into and acknowledged their bond in the penalty of fifteen hundred dollars, Condition as the Law directs, Certificate is granted him for obtaining a Probate of the said Will in due form And liberty is reserved to Peermenas Williams the other Executor to join in the said Probate when he shall think fit -

Teste

Will Tansall C/116

March the Second day one thousand seven hundred and seventy five -
 In the Name of God Amen I William Williams of Potteryloania County and State of Virginia being in a low State of health but in my perfect Senses do make this my last Will & Testament - In the first place I commit my Soul to God who gave it and my body to the silent to be decently buried, and in the second place I give and bequeath to my beloved Wife Constant Williams my Land whereon I live, my Horses, my Cattle, my Hogs, and my Household furniture as long as she liveth and at her decease to be divided as follows to my Son William Williams I give one shilling and to my Son Richard Williams I give one shilling, and to my Son Lory Williams I give one shilling and to my Son Steven Williams I give one shilling, and to my Son George Williams I give one shilling and to my Daughter Elisabeth Spaulin I give one Shilling, and to my Daughter Ann Sebastian I give one shilling, and to my Daughter Sarah Roe I give one shilling, and then my above mentioned Estate I give unto my Daughter Abse Williams and unto my Daughter Judith Williams, and unto my Daughter Constant Williams and unto my Step Daughter Ann Ballenger to be equally divided between them Whereunto I have set my hand and Seal the day and date above mentioned -

In presence of

William ^{his} Williams (Seal)
 mark

Glascock's
 Will

^{his} Nathan N Triggel, ^{his} William & Eliot, Charles Blackley —
mark mark

At a Court held for Pittsylvania County February the 16th 1801
This last Will and Testament of William Williams deceased was presented in
Court and proved by the Oaths of two of the witnesses thereto Ordered that the
same be recorded

In the Name of God Amen William Glascock of Pittsylvania County & State of Virginia
being Sick & Weak of body but of sound mind & Memory do make constitute & ordain this my last Will
& Testament Viz I Mprimis I appoint & ordain my beloved wife Elizabeth Glascock & Brother
in Law Joseph Sanford of Halifax County Executors of this my last Will & Testament I Give & bequeath
to my well beloved Wife Elizabeth Glascock one third part of my Estate both real & personal & of every
part of Parcel thereof to be by her possessed & Enjoyed for & During her natural life —
I Give & bequeath to my Daughter Chloe Glascock my Part of a Tract of Land lying on the waters of Potomac
Creek in County of Halifax containing five hundred Acres which is to be Divided between me & my brother
— or George Glascock I mean to give my part of the same to my above mentioned Daughter I Give to my
beloved Friend John Sinkins Minister of the Gospel fifty acres of Land whereon he now lives on the
north side of Squirrel Creek in Pittsylvania County & adjoining the Land of Stephen Reale son to be sold
off — so as to include the Dwellinghouse & Plantation of the said Sinkins the said fifty Acres to be
possessed & Enjoyed by the said Sinkins for and during his Natural life or as long as he shall choose to
Occupy the same & no longer — I Give & devise to my Three sons namely Thomas Glascock John
Glascock & Wiam Glascock all and every singular of my lands not already devised (as also the Land
devised to my wife also that devised to John Sinkins after the Death of the Deviser) all & Every singular
— Part of the said lands to be Equally divided between my three above mentioned sons to them & their
Heirs for ever — I Give & Devise all the rest & residue of my Estate be it of what nature or kind so
ever to be Equally Divided between my four Children namely Thomas Glascock John Glascock Wiam
Glascock & Chloe Glascock to them and their heirs for ever — And I do hereby Revocate all and Every
former Will & Testament declaring this and this Only to be my last Will & Testament In Witness
Whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this Twentysixth day of September in the Year
of our Lord one thousand Eight Hundred

Signed sealed & pronounced
in presence of

William Glascock Seal

the words in Pittsylvania County
entailed before signed or sealed

George Glascock

Susanna Sanford

Joshua ^{his} & Bayes &
mark

At a Court held for Pittsylvania County April the 20th 1801 This last Will and Testament of William
Glascock Deceased was presented in Court and proved by the Oath of Joshua Bayes one of the Witnesses
thereto and at another Court held for the said County June the 15th in the year — appeared

the same was again presented in Court and forthwith by the oaths of Susanna Sanford and George Glascock two other of the Witnesses thereto ordered that the same be Recorded. and Elizabeth Glascock and Joseph Sanford Executrix & Executor in the will appointed having first taken the oath of an Executor by Law prescribed and together with James Lynn Edmund Tunstall Joel Black George Boyd and Rowley White their securities entered into and acknowledged their Bonds in the penalty of Twenty thousand Dollars conditioned as the Law directs on their motion. Certificate is granted them for obtaining a Probate of the said Will in due form

Teste Will Tunstall CPG

Hopson Sam^r
his Will I Sam^r Hopson of Pittsylvania County and State of Virginia make this my last Will and Testament - first that all my just debts is to be paid - after that I give to my loving Wife Eliz^a all the Land I now possess and half my Negroes also the half of my Stock, half Household and Kitchen furniture to her and her heirs for ever to dispose of as she thinks proper - the balance of my Estate I give to my Daughter Mildred to her and her heirs for ever Given from under my hand this fourth day of April one thousand eight hundred and one - I appoint my Wife ^{my} Executor -

Witness

Samuel Dabney

John Lewis

Sam Hopson (S)

At a Court held for Pittsylvania County June the 15th 1801.
This last Will and Testament of Samuel Hopson deceased was presented in Court and proved by the Oaths of Samuel Dabney and John Lewis Witnesses thereto, and the said Samuel Dabney also made Oath that the intimation herein made was done before the acknowledgment of the said Will, Ordered that the same be Recorded. And at another Court held for the said County December the 21st in the year aforesaid Elizabeth Hopson Widow, Relict and Executrix of the said Testator herein named came into Court and having first taken the Oath by Law prescribed and together with John Lewis and Robert Lewis her securities entered into and acknowledged their Bonds in the Penalty of twenty thousand dollars conditioned as the Law directs, on her motion Certificate is granted her for obtaining a Probate of the said Will in due form -

Teste

Will Tunstall CPG

In the Name of God Amen I John Fitzpatrick of the County of Pittsylvania do make, constitute and Ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following Viz^t Imprimis it is my Will and desire that all my just Debts and funeral Charges be first paid by my Exors hereafter mentioned Item I give and bequeath unto my Son John Fitzpatrick my tract of Land lying in Charlotte County on Crab Creek containing Four hundred and seventy five Acres more or less, to him and his heirs for ever - Item I give and bequeath unto my Son William Fitzpatrick my tract of Land lying in the County of Campbell on both sides of Hollays Creek containing Seven hundred Acres more or less, also my Negro fellow named Pompey to him and his heirs for ever - Item I give unto my Son David Fitzpatrick the Tract of Land whereon I now live containing Seven hundred Acres more or less, after the death of his Mother, also my Negro boys George and James, one feather Bed and furniture, one Desk and Book Case (the Negro boys he is to receive when he shall arrive at the age of Twenty one years, to him and his heirs for ever - Item it is my Will and desire that my tract of Land in Campbell County called the Buzzard Mountain containing Two hundred and seventy six Acres more or less - be sold by my Executors and the Money arising from such Sale be equally divided among all my Children, And I do hereby Impower my Executors hereafter mentioned to convey the same to the purchaser or purchasers - Item I lend unto my beloved Wife Behathaland Fitzpatrick the tract of Land whereon I now live together with all the personal Estate thereon during her natural life except such as I have Willed otherwise, and after her death to be equally divided among all my Children or their Heirs for ever - Lastly I constitute and appoint my Sons John and Edmund Fitzpatrick Executors of this my last Will and Testament Ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last Will and Testament, In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this 23 day of December 1795.

Signed, Sealed and Ackn^d by the Testator as his last Will and Testament in the presence of

John^x Patrick (24)

Nat Luck, Joseph & Pemberton
Cornelius McHany, John Pemberton

Alex Court held for Pittsylvania County July the 20. 1801
The foregoing last Will and Testament of John Fitzpatrick deceased was presented in Court and proved by the Oaths of three of the witnesses thereto and Ordered to be Recorded, and John Fitzpatrick and Edmund Fitzpatrick the Executors therein named having first taken the oath by Law prescribed and together with David Pannill and Cornelius McHany their Securities entered into and acknowledged their Bond in the penalty of Ten thousand dollars Conditioned as the Law directs on their Motion Certificate is granted them for obtaining a Probate of the said Will in due form -

Teste Will Turnstall C^lke

John
Thomas }
Wife

In the name of God Amen I John Thomas of Pittsylvania County & State
of Virginia being in a feeble State of health but of sound mind & Memory and
knowing that it is appointed for all men to die do make and ordain this
my last Will & Testament that is to say principally and first of all I do Recom-
mend my soul into the hands of almighty God who gave it and my body I
Recommend to the dust to be buried in a decent Christian like manner and
touching such worldly Estate wherewith it has pleased God to bless me in this
life it is my desire that all be sold paying regard to my just Debts and after
paying all my said Debts the Balance Equally Divided between John Thomas
son of Phillip Thomas William Thomas son of Nath^e Thomas Dec^d
& Nath^e B^e Thomas son of Nath^e Thomas Dec^d and I do hereby Nominate
Constitute and appoint Durrett Richards & Asa Thomas Executors of this
my last will and testament & do hereby utterly disallow Revoke & Disan-
null all & Every other former testaments Wills Legacies Requests and
Executors by me in any wise before named Will^d and Bequeathed Relieving
and Confirming this & no other to be my last Will & Testament whereof I
have hereunto set my hand & seal this fifteenth Day of April in the
year of Lord Christ one thousand eight hundred & one, ^{Sealed} & Acknowledged
in the presents of,

William Wilkerson
John Rogers, Shadrach Taylor
William Truqua

John Thomas JS

At a Court held for Pittsylvania County September the 21st 1801 -

This last Will and Testament of John Thomas deceased was presented in Court
and proved by the Oaths of John Rogers and Shadrach Taylor two of the
Witnesses thereto and Ordered to — — be Recorded, And on the Motion
of Durrett Richards and Asa Thomas the Executors herein named, who
having first taken the Oath of an Executor by Law prescribed and together
with Thomas Tearn, Clement M^c Daniel, Benjamin Harris and Joseph
Johns their securities entered into Bond in the penalty of four thousand
pounds Conditioned as the Law directs, Certificate is granted them for
obtaining a Probate of the said Will in due form —

Examined

Teste

Will Tunstall C^lck

Jacob
Chaney
Will

In the name of God amen I Jacob Chaney of the County of Pittsylvania and State of Virginia being very sick and weak in body but of perfect mind and memory thanke be given unto god calling unto mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament that is to say principally and first of all I give and recommend my soul into the hand of Almighty God who gave it and my body I recommend to the Earth to be buried in Decent Christian burial at the discretion of my Executors nothing doubting but at the General Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God and as touching such Worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this life I give demise and dispose of in the following manner and form. Item I give and bequeath to my well beloved wife Sarah Chaney my land & plantation whereon I live my household and kitchen furniture and stock of all kinds that I now claim as my own Excepting such that is called Marys & Sarahs During her life. Item I have heretofore given to my son James Chaney now Deceased all that I ever intended him or his heirs the remains whereof I do still desire should remain in the possession of the heirs of the said James Chaney Deceased. Item I have also heretofore given all that I ever intended to give unto my son Ezekiel Chaney the remains I do still desire should remain in the possession of the said Ezekiel & his heirs Item I have also heretofore given unto my son Isaac Chaney now Deceased all that I ever Intended to give him the remains whereof I do still desire should continue in the possession of the heirs of the said Isaac Chaney Deceased. Item I have also heretofore given unto my son Jacob Chaney all that I ever Intended to give him the remains whereof I do still desire should remain in the possession of the said Jacob Chaney my son and his heirs. Item I have also heretofore given to my son Joseph Chaney all that I ever Intended to give him the remains whereof I do still desire should remain in the possession of the said Joseph Chaney & his heirs. Item I have also heretofore given to my son Abraham Chaney all that I ever Intended to give him the remains whereof I do still desire should remain in the possession of the said Abraham Chaney & his heirs Item I have also heretofore given to my son Nathan Chaney all that I ever Intended to give him the remains whereof I do still desire should remain in the possession of the said Nathan Chaney and his heirs. Item I have also heretofore given to my son John Chaney all that I ever Intended to give him the remains whereof I do still desire should continue in the possession of the said John Chaney & his heirs. Item I have also heretofore given to my son Moses Chaney all that I ever Intended to give to him the remains whereof I do still desire should continue in the possession of the said Moses Chaney & his heirs. Item I do give and bequeath to my son Charles Chaney my Land and plantation whereon I now live by Estimation one hundred and Seventy five Acres more

more or less binding Colonel Henrys lines and Dodsons lines & Ezechieel Chaney's lines & Abraham Chaney's lines and Joseph Chaney's lines to be freely possessed and enjoyed by the s^r Charles Chaney his heirs or assigns after the Death of his Mother with what I have heretofore given him I have heretofore given to my Daughter Elizabeth Davis all that I was Intended to give her and I do still desire that the remains thereof may continue in the possession of the said Elizabeth Davis and her heirs, Item I Will and bequeath what goods and chattles that are left of my estate after the Death of my wife aforesaid to be equally Divided between my two Daughters (Viz^t) Mary Chaney & Sarah Chaney and there heirs, Item I give and bequeath unto Heath Gardner a small tract of land now in his possession containing ten acres on the South side of Birches Creek binding on the said Gardners lines and the said Creek to him and his heirs forever. and I do likewise Constitute make and ordain Joseph Chaney & Charles Chaney my sons Executors of this my last Will and Testament and I do hereby utterly revoke and Disannul all and every other former testaments Wills legacies Bequests and Executors by me in any wise before named Willed & Bequeathed Ratifying this and no other to be my last Will and Testament in witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this Eleventh day of January Anno. Dom: one thousand eight hundred Signed Seald published pronounced and Declared by the said Jacob Chaney as his last Will and Testament in the presence of us. who in his presence and in the presence of each other have hereunto Subscribed our Names

Geo^y Dodson David Dodson

Thomas Midkiff

Thomas Green

Jacob ^{his} X Chaney S^r
mark

A Court held for Pittsylvania County September the 9th 1801. This last Will and Testament of Jacob Chaney deceased was presented in Court and proved by the Oaths of three of the Witnesses thereto. Ordered that the same be Recorded

Teste
Wm. Tammack Clk

Examined

Examined

Peter
Wilson
Wife.

In the name of God Amen I Peter Wilson of the County of Pittsylvania & Commonwealth of Virginia Being Sick and weak in Body but of sound mind and Disposing Memory for which I thank God, and calling to mind the uncertainty of human Life & being Desirous to Dispose of all such Worldly Estate as it hath pleased God to Bless me with do hereby make my Last Will and Testament in manner & form following that is to say first I Desire that all the Perishable part of ^{my} Estate with one Negro Woman Named Sary be Amedately Sold; after my Decease and out of the Monies Arising therefrom all my just Debts be paid. Secondly I give unto my Wife Sarah Wilson my Estate both real & Personal for and During the term of her Natural Life to Raise and Maintain my Children on & to Educate them &c & if either of my Children should intermarry before her Death for my said Wife to Let them have out of the Estate one or two Negroes such as she may think best to spare & one feather Bed & furniture with some Stock which is to be part of their Legacies hereafter Mentioned. Thirdly at the Death of my Wife, I give & bequeath to my Children and their Heirs forever to Witley Ellis Wilson. John Wilson. Giles Wilson. Nancy Wilson. Peter Wilson. Betsey Wilson. William Wilson. & Mead Wilson all the Negroes now I possess with their Intra only those heretofore Disposed otherwise - with all my stock of every kind, and household furniture & plantation Utentials to be Equally Divided Between ^{them} Fourthly I leave after my Wifes Death all my Lands to be sold on Six Months Credit on Bond & Security and the money arising from the said sale to be Equally Divided Between the Within named Children or the Surviving part thereof. & Lastly I do hereby Constitute & appoint my Beloved Wife Sarah Wilson & Friend George Adams Executors of this my Last Will and Testament hereby revoking all other or former Wills by me heretofore made In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seal this 25th Day of April 1801 -

Peter Wilson 

Signed Sealed, Published & Declared as and for -
The Last Will & Testament of the above named
Peter Wilson. in presence of us -
Jno Wilson. Elisabeth ^{his} Astin
Milley ^{her} & Gwin ^{mark}
Samuel Bates. Wm Bates

At a Court held for Pittsylvania County November the 16th 1801
This Last Will and Testament of Peter Wilson Deceased was presented in Court and proved by the Oaths of John Wilson. Samuel Bates. and William Bates. three of the Witnesses thereto Ordered that the same be Recorded, and Sarah Wilson and George Adams Executrix and Executor Therein named having first taken the Oath of an Executor by Law prescribed and together with John Wilson Jeremiah White and David Rice their Securities entered into their Bond in the penalty of Ten thousand Dollars Conditioned as the Law directs. on their Motion Certificate is granted them for obtaining a Probate of the said Will in due form -

Teste Will Tunstall Cpc

Examined

In the Name of God Amen I Samuel Pruett of the County of Pittsylvania
 Sheriff Sam and State of Virginia being of body but of a sound and perfect Memory
 do constitute this my last Will and Testament After paying my just Debts
 and funeral Expences, first recommending my Spirit into the hands of -
 Almighty God that gave it Item I give and bequeath to my Son Philip Pruett
 five shillings Sterling besides what he has already had Item I -
 give and bequeath to my Son Zachariah Pruett One hundred Acres of Land -
 whereon he now lives - Item I give bequeath to my Daughter Ruth Cook
 five shillings Sterling besides what she has already had - Item I give
 and bequeath to my Son Samuel Pruett One hundred Acres of Land that he
 sold - Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Elizabeth Butt one Cow -
 and Yearling - Item I give and bequeath to my Son Benjamin Pruett
 one gray horse branded CS Item I give to my Daughter Polly Hawker
 one white Heffer besides what she has already had - Item I lend to
 my Daughter Sally Pruett during her natural life or so long as she
 may remain single the Land lying as follows including the Orchard
 and Orchard fence round the new ground to Attersons line at the corner
 of the old field that with all the Land over my Spring branch for her
 use not to be Rented Item I also give ^{and bequeath} to my Daughter Sally Pruett one
 Mair & Colt and one Horse, two choice Cows and Yearlings with the whole
 Stock of hogs, one feather bed and furniture with all the working tools
 and Kitching furniture to be heirs forever - Item I give and bequeath
 to my Son Gepheth Pruett One hundred and ninety two Acres of Land it -
 being the Land I now live on Also the head and furniture that I now live on
 and one Cow and Yearling that he has now in possession - Item I give
 and bequeath my Daughter Sally Pruett all my House hold furniture -
 the balance of my Stock of Cattle I leave to be equally divided between my
 four Daughters Ruth Cook, Elizabeth Butt, Polly Hawker and Sally
 Pruett As witness my hand this 13 day of November and affixt my seal
 in the year of our Lord Christ 1801 -

Test

George Spratten
 William Stamps
 Polly Stamps

Samuell Pruett Deed

A Court held for Pittsylvania County December the 21st 1801

This last Will and Testament of Samuel Pruett deceased was presented in Court
 and proved by the Oaths of the subscribing witnesses thereto, and by the Court
 Ordered to be recorded

Examined

Oliver
Willie.

In the name of God Amen I Elizabeth Oliver of Pittsylvania County being
in good health sound mind and Mery Dow make Ordain this my last Will
and Testament and uterlay Newack all and every other Will by me maid firs of all
I give unto my son William Oliver one Negro man Named Peter also I give
unto my gran son John Oliver son of Drewrey Oliver one Negro man Named
Boob also I give unto my gran son William Oliver son of Drewrey Oliver one
Negrow Boy names Will & one named Sam also I give unto my granddaughter
Maryan Oliver one Negro woman named Sarah and If the said Maryan
Oliver should die without an heir Lawfully Begotten of her Body then
to fall to my son William Oliver whearby I do Constatute my beloved friends
William Oliver & Edw. Kunnelle to be these my Executors to this my Last Will
and Testament. In Witness whear of I have Set my hand and Seal this fifth
day of June in the year of our Lord Christ one Thousand seven hundred & Ninety seven
Sign^d Seal^d & Deliver^d.

in presents of us...

Elizabeth ^{her} Oliver L^t
mark.

William ^{his} + Crofs. Mary ^{her} + Crofs.
mark mark }
Druy Oliver

At a Court held for Pittsylvania County January the 18th 1802

This Last Will and Testament of Elizabeth Oliver Deceased was presented in
Court and proved by the Oaths of two of the Witnesses thereto and by the Court
Ordered to be Recorded.

John
Watson
deceased

In the name of God Amen October the 22. 1794 I John Watson Sr. of --
 Pittsylvania County in the State of Virginia being in perfect health both of Body and mind
 and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to Die do make constitute and Ordain
 this my last Will and Testament that is to say Principally and first of all I Recommend
 my Soul into the hands of God who gave it and as for my Body I Recommend it to the earth
 to be Buried in a Christian like and decent manner at the Discretion of my Executors --
 hereafter named and as for such Worldly Goods wherewith it hath pleased God to Bless me
 with in this life I give Devise and Dispose of ^{the} in manner and form following Item it is
 my Will and I do Order that in the first Place all my just Debts and Burial Charges
 be paid and Satisfied Item I give and Bequeath to my Beloved son William Watson and
 his heirs forever my Dwelling plantation and all the Land thereto Belonging and as
 for my moveable Estate I also give and Bequeath the whole that I possess to my son
 William Watson whom I constitute and Ordain to be my only and sole Executor of
 this my last Will and Testament Item I give and Bequeath to my son Thomas Watson
 and to my son John Watson and to my Daughter Gussell Farthing and to my Daughter Elizabeth
 Hughs and to my Daughter Aphileta Townson and to their heirs forever one Shilling Sterling
 to each of them to be their full portion of all my whole and sole Estate to be paid out of my
 Estate by my Executor, as Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal the day
 and year above Written, The word Farthing Enteredlined before signed,

Signed Sealed and Delivered in presence of

 John Hammond Sr. Elisha Burton.
 Josiah Farguson.

John Watson (Seal)

At a Court held for Pittsylvania County April the 19th 1802 --

This last Will and Testament of John Watson deceased was presented in Court and proved
 by the Oaths of two of the Witnesses thereto and by the Court Ordered to be Recorded

Teste Wm. Innesdale Tel

William Devin
Will

In the Name of God Amen I William Devin Sen^r of the County of Pittsylvania
 being in good health and of a sound and disposing mind and memory for which I thank
 God; and calling to mind the mortality of Man, — knowing it is appointed of God for
 all Men once to die do make, constitute and Ordain this my last Will & Testament
 I first of all give and recommend my soul into the hands of Almighty God that give
 it me, and my body to be decently interred at the discretion of my Executors; And as to
 such Worldly Estate as it hath pleased God to bestow on me in this life I give and
 dispose of in manner and form following, that is, first of all, my just Debts to be
 honestly paid. Secondly I give to my Children James Devin, Mary Biggar, William
 Devin jun^r, Robert Devin, and Joseph Devin twenty shillings to each one of them their
 Heirs or Assigns for ever. 3^d I give to Daughter Sarah Devin the House in which I
 now live, after being well covered out of money arising out of my Estate and the Land
 adjoining thereto and bounded as followeth, by William Devin jr lines on the
 South, by Joseph Devin and Spragins on the East, by Robert Devin on the North and
 by Wombush and Spurling on the West to include part of my New Survey agreeable to
 Robert Devin's marked Line for dividing the said Survey: I also give the said Sarah
 one Negro boy Allick, one Mare Finner or her Value in Cash, or another
 Creature of near equal in value, one Cow one Calf & Calf, exclusive of a white Cow,
 I admit to be her own property, one bed & furniture of her choice, and half of all
 the other of my Household furniture; one Pigeon & Lamb, if any belonging to my
 Estate, and lastly two Sows & Pigs, the choice of my Stock, and provision of every
 kind that I may die possessed of for the support of her & those free persons I may
 leave in my family at my death for one year after; My further Will is that if my
 Daughter Sarah Devin should die without a Lawfull heir after her body that in
 that case she has a right only to dispose of half the Property so her given as she
 may think proper, and the other half my Will is that it may be equally divided
 between all my surviving Children their lawfull begotten heirs, if any she have or
 Assigns for ever. 4th I give to the Children of my Daughter Margaret Reynolds
 Twenty pounds yearly to be under the direction of their Father Joseph Reynolds for the
 use of said Children that may live to enjoy it. And my further Will is, that all the
 Land and Negroes I may be possessed of at my death with all & every kind of property
 to me belonging not before in this my last Will given shall be sold by my Executors
 at one years Credit and the money arising therefrom after all legal and lawfull
 Expences are paid for the execution of this Will the Surplus, if any, to be divided
 equally between my Children as follow, to wit, William Devin jr Mary Biggar
 Robert Devin, the Children of Margaret Reynolds dec^d Sarah Devin and Joseph Devin
 their Heirs or Assigns for ever. And I do hereby constitute and appoint my Beloved Sons
 Robert Devin and Joseph Devin Executors of this my last Will & Testament hereby
 revoking all other or former Wills or Testaments by me heretofore made In Witness
 whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seal this the Twentyfifth
 day of November in the year of our Lord Christ One thousand eight hundred (the
 word, fifth, underlined before assigned, —
 Signed, Sealed, Published & declared as & for
 the last Will & Testament of the above named
 Wm Devin in the presence of us —
 Joseph Morton, James Edwards —

William Devin *Test*

At

At a Court held for Pittsylvania County April the 19th 1802
 This last Will and Testament of William Devin deceased was presented in Court
 and proved by the Oath of one of the witnesses thereto. And at another Court held for
 the said County June the 21st in the year aforesaid the same was again presented in
 Court and further proved Ordered that the same be recorded. And at another Court
 held for the said County July the 19th in the year aforesaid the same was again presented in
 Court and came Robert Devin & Joseph Devin the Executors therein named who having
 first taken the Oath of Oath by Law prescribed and together with Robert Tennant -
 Joseph Merton, John Hodges, Abraham Parrish, Edward Nunnallee and Jesse
 Hodges their Securities entered into and acknowledged their Bond in the
 Penalty of five thousand dollars conditioned as the Law directs Certificate
 is granted them for obtaining a Probate of the said Will in due form
 Teste Will Tennant C/PD

Shelton's
 Will

In the name of God Amen I Mark Shelton of Pittsylvania being very
 weak in body but a sound and perfect mind, and calling to mind that it is appointed
 for all flesh to die do make this my last Will and Testament in the manner and
 form following VIZ, first, I give and bequeath my Soul into the hands of Almighty
 God who gave it, nothing doubting but I shall receive it again at the general
 Judgment by the Almighty power of God, and my body I commend to the Earth to be
 buried with a Christian burial at the discretion of my Executors. And
 as touching what Worldly Estate God has blessed me with I give and bequeath
 in the following manner, that is, I lend my Wife Rachel Shelton all my
 Estate Personal and Real during her natural life. My Will further is that
 at the decease of my Wife that my Land and Plantations be equally divided
 between my two youngest Sons Henry Shelton and Spencer Shelton, my Will
 further is that at the same time all my Personal Estate after my just debts
 is paid be equally divided among my 9 Children, John Shelton, Nancy -
 Davidson, George Shelton, Rachel Davidson, Franky White, Wellearn
 Shelton, Charles Shelton, Henry Shelton and Spencer Shelton And I do
 appoint my two Sons John Shelton and George Shelton my Executors, and I do
 revoke all other Wills or Testaments made by me In Witness whereof I
 have hereunto set my hand and Seal this 25th day of May 1801

Test

Cuthbert Hudson
 Willis Hopwood
 Lucy Hudson

Mark Shelton

At a Court held for Pittsylvania County June the 21st 1802
 This last Will and Testament of Mark Shelton deceased was presented in Court
 and proved by the Oaths of two of the witnesses thereto and Ordered to be Recorded

Adams's Will
 In the Name of God Amen I Nathan Adams Sen of the County of Pittsylvania
 being of sound Mind though of Sicklely constitution, and wishing to arrange my
 Worldly Affairs in the best possible manner before it pleases God to call me forth there
 do make and declare this to be my last Will and Testament, that is, first I
 recommend my Soul to God who gave it with a sincere hope that he will receive
 it as a fit inhabitant of the realms where he abides. And as to my Worldly Affairs
 I dispose of in the following manner, to wit, I direct that my Wife Anne Adams —
 at her own discretion sell any part of my Stock or Household furniture to enable
 her to pay all my Lawful debts — Item I give to my Son John Adams the Land
 whereon he lives supposed to be fifty Acres, more or less, lying on the North
 side of the old Road from James Murphys to Dofers old place to him and
 his Heirs or Assigns for ever — Item I give to my Son Joel Adams his Heirs
 and Assigns for ever fifty Acres of Land to be laid off at the upper end of my tract
 of Land and joining the lines of Joseph Parsons and Benjamin Shelton — Item
 I lend to my Wife Anne Adams during her life the balance of my tract of Land
 and at her death I give the said balance of my Land to my Son Nathan —
 Adams his Heirs and Assigns for ever — Item I give to my Children William
 Adams, Sarah Begles, Betty Proise, and Rebecca Mabry each of them —
 whatever of my Estate they have already had on their several marriages and no
 more — Item I give to my Daughter Polly Adams one feather Bed and
 furniture to her and her Heirs for ever — Item I give and bequeath all and
 every part of the residue of my Estate of what ever it may consist to my Wife Anne
 Adams to dispose of as she pleases — And lastly I do hereby constitute and
 appoint my said Wife Anne Adams the Executrix of this my last Will and Testament
 In Witness whereof I have hereto set my hand and affixed my seal this twenty eighth
 day of October 1801 —

In presence of
 Tho H Wooding

John Adams
 James Sands

his Mark

his
 Nathan Adams
 Mark

At a Court held for Pittsylvania County September the 20th 1802
 The foregoing last Will and Testament of Nathan Adams deceased was presented
 in Court by Anne Adams Widow, Relict and Executrix of the said Testator in the said
 Will named, and being proved by the Oaths of the subscribing witnesses thereto was
 Ordered to be Recorded, And on the Motion of the said Executrix (who having first
 taken

Dennis

the Oath by Law prescribed and together with Thomas H. Wooding and John Adams her securities entered into, and acknowledged their Bond in the Penalty of — Three hundred pounds Conditioned as the Law directs) Certificate is granted her for obtaining a Probate of the said Will in due form —

Teste Will Tinsdell C. P. C.

Wimblish.

Will

I John Wimblish of Pittsylvania County in the State of Virginia, being of perfect and sound mind and Memory do make and Ordain this my Last Will & Testament in manner and form following 1st WHEREAS I did on the fifteenth day of February one thousand seven hundred and ninety six, give to my Daughter Polly the following four Negroes to Wit, Bob, Brunswick, Peter, and Savina, which Gift is Recorded in Pittsylvania Court. I again Confirm her title to Peter, & Savina, and whereas she has Conveyed to me back by Bill of Sale, Bob, and Brunswick, mentioned in the said Deed of Gift, in Lieu thereof I give and bequeath to my said Daughter Polly, one Mulatto lad named Ben, one Negro boy named Stephen one young Negro wench named Jimmy, and one Male Negro Child named Jeary, also one feather bed and furniture, Six head of Cattle — and as much Cash as will purchase one Walnut folding table, three and a half feet long, and eight Windsor chairs, two of them armed, none of the Negroes are to be delivered up untill the crop now growing is finished, 2 I lend unto my wife Mary for and during her Natural life half of the Tract of Land whereon I now live containing Six hundred and and seventy Acres, including the Town of Peytonsburg, reserving the Rents of the Ordinary house and the use of the Store and Lumber houses for the use of my son John, but she shall be intitled to one half of the Rents of the Ordinary house — together with following Slaves to Wit, Sall, Aggy, Rhoda, Anthony, Yellow Cyrus, — Jimmy, & Jeece, which said Estate she is not to have possession of untill the first day of January one thousand eight hundred and one except such a Proportion as shall be Necessary for her immediate support to be left at the Discretion of my wife, and Executors, I also lend her one third part of my household and Kitchen — furniture, ten head of Cattle, five grown, and five younger, two good work horses — and one good riding horse, I give to my said wife Mary three sows and piggs and fifteen grown hogs, and one third of my stock of Sheep, 3 It is my Will and — desire that my Will be kept in good repair by my Executors, and that they have the liberty of retaining any one of my Negroes for a Miller untill the year one thousand eight hundred and one, and that the profits arising in the mean time for the said Will be Applied as other monies arising from my Estate, 4 It is my Will and — desire that the whole of my stock of horses, Cattle, Sheep and hogs, together with my household and Kitchen furniture, Plantation utensils &c. except such as is before devised, or may hereafter be allotted for other purposes, also my Library of Books

to be sold on a Credit at the Discretion of my Executors, 5^{thly} It is my Will and desire that the whole of my Negroes ~~excepting~~ those that I have given to my Daughter Polly, and such as my Executors and Wife may think proper to keep for the present support of my said wife Mary, together with my Plantations be Rented out Annually for the best price that can be got by my Executors untill the year one thousand eight hundred and one, and the money arising from such sales and Rents, be Applied to the Discharge of my Debts to Dobson, Dalters, & Walker, and to Nancy Pannill, or so much thereof as shall be Necessary, 6^{thly} It is my Will and desire that the following tracts of Land be sold by my Executors, to Wit, one Tract Containing by Estimation two hundred and fifty Acres lying in the Counties of Charlotte Price Edward and Lunenburg adjoining the Lands of William Bolling, and others, another Tract Containing two hundred and eighty five Acres lying in the County of Henry adjoining the Lands of Joseph Scales, one other Tract Containing four hundred acres lying in the County of Pittsylvania on little Bearskin Creek, with said Lands I wish to be sold for the best price that can be obtained, the terms of Sale to be left at the Discretion of my Executors, 7^{thly} It is my Will and desire that the Store shall be Continued under the present firm of John Wimbish and Son, to the first day of June one thousand eight hundred and one, at the expiration of which term the Debts then due are all to be settled by Specialties and Collected as speedy as possible, and after payment of the Debts due from the Store, the profits to be divided between me and my son John, agreeable to Written Articles between us, the goods upon hand at the expiration of the time above mentioned, my son John if he thinks proper, may take them at the first Cost & Carriage or dispose of them upon such terms as my Executors may think proper, one half of the Value of which, my son John is entitled to, 8^{thly} It is further my Will and desire that my part of the profits of the Store after payment of the Debts above mentioned shall be reserved in the hands of my Executors for the payment of any other just claim that may come against my Estate, 9^{thly} I give and bequeath to my son John his heirs and assigns forever, the tract of Land now lie upon Containing six hundred & seventy acres including the Town of Peytonsburg, after the Death his Mother, also a part of the Tract of Land known by the name of the Mill Tract, to be bounded as follows to Wit, Beginning on the County line so as to run parallel with the dividing line between the Town tract and the said Mill Tract and so as to cross the old Meadow branch, and Town Spring branch a small distance above the junction of said branches, and so as to cross at a steep red bank that lies between the two branches thence on the same direction about half way between the Spring branch and my fence, where it ^{is to} make a corner, and run from thence in a straight direction as nearly as can be about half way between the said Spring branch and the road leading round my fence to the Mill until it intercepts the dividing line between the said tracts of Land thence on the said lines as they traverse to the Beginning - 10^{thly}

I give and bequeath to my son William his heirs and assigns forever, the following tracts of Land all lying in Pittsylvania County to Wit, one tract containing two hundred and fifteen Acres adjoining the Lands of Stephen Neal and Benjamin Brown, one other tract lying on both sides of Elkhorn Creek containing four hundred and sixty four Acres, reserving the use of this tract of Land untill the first day January one thousand eight hundred and one, and one other tract lying on or near Little Creek joining the Lands of Robert Devin containing three hundred Acres, 11th I give and bequeath to my son Samuel his heirs and assigns forever, the following tracts of Land to Wit, one ^{Tract} containing seven hundred and twenty three Acres including my Mill lying on both sides of Elkhorn Creek except so much thereof as I have already devised to my son John - also one other tract of Land lying in Halifax County purchased of and joining Isaac Ferguson's land containing one hundred and seventy Acres, reserving the use of the Mill tract untill the first day of January one thousand eight hundred and one - WITH regard to my son Samuel it is my Will that he shall be put to the Study of the Law under some person Qualified to Instruct in the Knowledge thereof, I give the preference to my friend and Acquaintance Mr. Richard A. Venable of Prince Edward County if he will be kind enough to take him, the expence of board &c. to be paid, there to Continue for fifteen or eighteen Months and to furnished with all necessary Law Books, It is my Will that after the Expiration of the above fifteen or eighteen Months that he shall go to Richmond and there to Continue for Six Months from the first of October to the first of March with some Gentleman well Qualified to instruct him in finishing his Study of the Law, also be supplied with his necessary Clothes and Money by my Executors - when he has Completed the Study of the Law my Will is that he shall be furnished with one good Riding horse of the Value of twenty or twenty five Pounds and one saddle and bridle - 12th It is further my Will that the ordinary house shall be plaistered and white Washed, and the under pinning finished, the new house also to be plaistered and white Washed, and the house I now live in is to be repaired - which repairs I leave to the discretion of my Executors, 13th after the payment of my just Debts the whole of my Slaves together with every other part of my Estate that has not been before devised as well that part that I have lent to my wife as the Rest but not untill after her Death, shall be equally divided between my three sons, John, William, & Samuel, 14th If the Situation of my Affairs should be such as to make it necessary that part of the Slaves should be sold it is my Will that my Executors shall dispose of them at private sale, on the best terms, and on such credit as they may think proper taking Bond with good Security, 15th With regard to my Daughter Nancy Pannill I have already given her all that I intended for her upon her Marriage, Lastly - I do hereby constitute and appoint my friend John Wembush of

Heads,
Will

249- Halifax, and my sons John Wimbish, and William Wimbish my Executors to carry into Effect this my Last Will & Testament, In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand, and seal this twenty second day of July one thousand seven hundred & ninety seven

Signed Sealed & Delivered
in presence of }
James Ryburn
Jacob Anderson
Robert Tompkins,

Jn^o Wimbish Seal

At a Court held for Pittsylvania County the 20th day of December 1802
The foregoing last Will and Testament of John Wimbish deceased was presented in Court by William Wimbish one of the Executors therein named and proved by the Oath of James Ryburn and Jacob Anderson two of the subscribing witnesses and Ordered to be Recorded, and on the Motion of the said William Wimbish who made Oath according to Law and together with John White, Jesse Sepprich, Stockley Turner, James F. Johnson, James Johnson and Jeroniah White his Securities entered into and acknowledged their bond in the Penalty of Ten thousand dollars Conditioned as the Law directs Certificate is granted him for obtaining a Probate of the said Will in due form, and leave is given for the other Executors therein named to be joined in the Probate thereof when they shall think fit.
And at another Court held for the said County January the 17th 1803 came John Wimbish, Son of the Testator, one other of the Executors in the said Will named, who having first taken the Oath by Law prescribed & together with Asenath M^o Daniel, David Pannill, William Jaly, Crispin Shelton, and John A. Forchies his Securities entered into and acknowledged their bond in the Penalty of ten thousand dollars Conditioned as the Law directs, on his Motion Certificate is granted him to be joined in the Probate of said Will -

Examined

Heath's
Will

In the name of God Amen I John Heath of the County of Pittsylvania being of sound mind and disposing Memory but calling to mind the Mortality of my Body do think fit to make and Ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say, first I commend my Body to the Earth from whence it was taken and my Soul to God who gave it, then I desire that all my perishable property if necessary should be first sold and all my just Debts paid, and if there should not be money Enough arising from the sale of the before mentioned property then my desire is that there should be as much of my household property sold as shall raise money Enough to pay up the balance of my just Debts and my funeral Expences 2^d after all my just Debts and funeral Expences is paid, then I lend to my beloved Wife Mary Heath during her life my Negroes to Wit, Esia, Lucy, Dick, Cindy, Cirus and its Lucy also my Land and plantation whereon I now live, in the manner and form following that is to say, the lower part lying on the North side of Mill Creek

up to the upper end of my Timothy Meadow on the creek, then Beginning a line at the creek and running a straight line right across the Land to my back line adjoining Jacob Saunders's Land 3rd I give and bequeath to my son Richard my Negroes Jimmy, & little girl Betty, with her Increase to him and his heirs forever, 4th I give and bequeath to my son James Gower my Negro Woman Tamar, with her Increase to him and his heirs forever, 5th I give and bequeath to my Daughter Patsy Skelton my Negro Woman Phillis with her Increase to her and her heirs forever, 6th I give and bequeath to my son John half the Tract of Land I now live on, Including the upper part running straight across the Land, and across the creek, as it meanders, also my Negro Girl Winney, with her Increase to him and his heirs forever, 7th I give and bequeath to my Daughter Tabby Archer my Negro Girl Rachel, with her Increase also one feather Bed and furniture to her and her heirs forever, 8th I give and bequeath to my son Henry the other half of my Land whereon I now live containing the Land I first lent to my Wife and Including the balance on the South side of Mill Creek left by my son John he shall have immediate right after my Death, to the Land on the South side of Mill Creek, but the part I have lent to my Wife he is not to concern with until his mother's Death, because she shall not be interrupted during her life, I also give and bequeath to my son Henry my Negro Girl Nancy with her Increase to him and his heirs forever, likewise my Bay Mare Cott with her Increase, 9th I give and bequeath to my son Parshell my Negro Girl Selah with her Increase, also my Wife's Death I give to my son Parshell my Negroes Cindy & Cyrus with their Increase to him and his heirs forever 10th at my Wife's Decease my Will and Desire is that there should first be made out of the part of my Estate lent to my Wife, to my Children hereafter named the following property to Wit, to my son John one Cow and Calf and one feather Bed & furniture, to my Daughter Tabby Archer one Cow & Calf, and one horse and saddle, to my son Henry one Cow and Calf and one feather Bed and furniture, to my son Parshell one horse and saddle, one Cow and Calf and one feather Bed and furniture, or the Value of the above property to each of these last Children mentioned 11th at my Wife's Death if their should any thing remain not given away heretofore, my will and Desire is that the remainder part, if any, should be Equally divided amongst all my Children and lastly I do hereby hereby constitute and appoint my trusty and beloved sons Richard, James Gower, and John, Executors to this my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all other Wills or Testaments by me heretofore made, In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and affixed my

James

Reiges's
Will

my seal this twenty second day of November in the year of our Lord Christ
one thousand eight hundred and two

Teste

Armistead Shelton,

Jos. Shelton,

Stephen Shelton,

Abraham Skittone,

John Keatts Seal

At a Court held for Pittsylvania County the 20th day of December 1802
This Last Will & Testament of John Keatts Deceased was presented in Court and
proved by the Oaths of the Subscribing Witnesses hereto, and ordered to be Recorded
and Richard Keatts, and James ^{Cowley} Keatts two of the Executors herein named having
first taken the Oath by Law prescribed, and together with Young Shelton, Emanuel
Jones, Rachel Clement, and Charles Keatts their Securities entered into and Acknow-
ledged their Bond in the penalty of Ten thousand Dollars, conditioned as the Law directs
on their motion Certificate is granted them for obtaining a probate of the said Will
in due form

Teste Will Tunstall C. P. C.

Rigger's
Will

In the Name of God Amen. I Jacob Rigger of Pittsylvania County
being very sick of body but sound of mind and Mercy calling to mind the
Mortality of my body and knowing that is appointed for all Men once to dye
in the first place I recommend my Soul to God who gave it to me and my Body to
be decently buried at the discretion of my Executors. I then I give and bequeath all
my in manner and form, to wit, In the first place I wish all my just Debts to
be truly paid out of my Estate. After that ^{and then} I give unto my Daughter Sally
Garner one feather Bed & furniture. I then give and bequeath unto my
Daughter Eliz^a Rigger One hundred dollars in Cash to be made out of my Estate
Also one feather Bed and furniture. I then I give and bequeath unto my Daughter
Nancy Rigger One hundred dollars to be made out of my Estate. Also one feather
Bed and furniture. I then I give unto my Daughter Mary Rigger One hundred
Dollars in Cash to be made out of my Estate and one feather Bed and furniture
I then I give and bequeath unto my Son John Rigger Twenty pounds to be
made out of my Est. for his Education &c. I then I give and bequeath unto
my Son George Rigger Twenty pounds to be made out of my Estate for his
Education &c. I also request and desire that all my Estate of ^{all} sort whatsoever
shall be sold for the best price that can be got by giving twelve Months credit
and after the above Sums of Money ^{be} given away above be paid then the
remainder to be equally divided between all my Children, to wit, Richard
Rigger, Jacob Rigger, John Rigger, George Rigger, Rosian Carter, Sary Garner,
Elizabeth Rigger, Nancy Rigger and Mary Rigger. I then I give out of my Estate
to

my Son Jacob Reiger fifty dollars in Cash - My wish and desire is that my Tract of Land that I now live on as soon as there can be a good and Lawfull title made by Cap^t Edward Nunnelle and Isaiah Morton that the said Land shall be sold for the best price by giving such Credit as mention for the rest of my Estate by my Executors - I hereby appoint my beloved friends George Reynolds and John Carter for my sole & sole Executors of this my last Will & Testament where I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 23 day of Nov^r 1802 -

Signed & delivered
in presence of us

David Lanier

Edward Nunnelle

Matthew Wells

Jacob Reiger (Seal)

At a Court held for Pittsylvania County January the 17th 1803 - This last Will and Testament of Jacob Reiger deceased was presented in Court by George Reynolds and John Carter the Executors herein named and proved by the Oaths of the subscribing witnesses and Ordered to be Recorded And the said Executors having first taken the Oath of Executor by Law - prescribed and together with David Rice, Edward Nunnelle and Abraham Parrish their Securities entered into and acknowledged their bond - in the Penalty of five thousand Dollars conditioned as the Law directs on their Motion Certificate is granted them for obtaining a Probate of the said Will in due form Teste Will Tunstall. C/26

Examined

Hardwick's
Will

In the Name of God Amen I Pleasant Hardwick of the County of Pittsylvania and State of Virginia being very sick and weak in body but of perfect mind and memory, calling unto mind the Mortality of my body, that is to say principally and first of all I give and recommend my soul into the hands of Almighty God that gave it, and touching my Worldly Estate where it has pleased God to bless me in this life I give and Devise and dispose in the following manner and form - After all my just Debt are paid, Second by I do hereby Nominate and appoint my dear, beloved Wife Mosey Hardwick Executrix and William Spiller Executor of this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all former Wills by me heretofore made, to wit, in manner and form following, to my dear, beloved Wife I give and bequeath all my Estate real and personal during her Natural life, and to her Heirs, and assigns for ever Reserving unto my Negro boy Fountain for his good Services the privilege of being Manumitted and set free - at the completion of his thirty first year (he being now ten years of age) - In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this twelfth day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and two. - Signed, Sealed, published, pronounced and declared by the said Pleasant Hardwick

Pleasant Hardwick (Seal)

as his last Will and Testament in the presence of us who in the presence of each other have hereto subscribed our Names -

L B Allen } Georgia - } Personally appeared in open Court L B Allen
J^r Wallace } Burke County } who being duly sworn made Oath that he
James Watts } saw the testator Pleasant Hardwick deceased
Charles Simons } Sign his Name to the within Will for the

purposes within mentioned, and that the said testator was then of sound disposing mind and memory to the best of his knowledge and belief, and that he signed his Name together with John Wallace, James Watts and Charles Simons as Witnesses to the same -

Sworn to the 4th Jan^y 1803

L B Allen

W^m Baduly C. C. O. K

A true Copy taken from the Original the day and year above written -

W^m Baduly C. C. O. K

At a Court held for Pittsylvania County January the 17th 1803 -
The foregoing Copy of the last Will and Testament of Pleasant Hardwick deceased was presented in Court by Mucky Hardwick the Executor therein named, and together with the Certificate of William Baduly, Clerk of the County, Court of Burke in the State of Georgia of the proof and Record of the same were by this Court Ordered to be Recorded, and the said Executor having first taken the Oath by Law prescribed and together with John Sutherland, William Sutherland & Quim Morton her Securities entered into and acknowledged their Bond in the Penalty of Ten thousand dollars Conditioned as the Law directs on her Motion Certificate is granted her for obtaining a Probate of the said Will in due form. And Liberty is reserved for William Spiller the Executor therein named to join in the Probate when he shall think fit -

Teste Will Tunstall c/s

Blank's
Will

In the name of God Amen I Naomi Blanks of the of Pittsylvania being of sound mind and Memory, and Calling to mind the uncertainty of this Transitory Life do make and Ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following (that is to say, I desire of all that all just Debts and funeral charges be paid, Item I give to my sons John Blanks and Joseph Blanks all my household and kitchen furniture one Cow and Yearling, one hog, Ten pounds on my son Joseph Blanks, Three pounds fourteen Shillings and three pence on Thomas Ham, also Three pound fourteen Shillings and three pence on Rachel Clements, I desire the above money and

property to be Equally divided between my Sons John Blanks and Joseph to them and
 their heirs forever. ~~Now~~ and lastly I do appoint Joseph Blanks Executor of this
 my last Will and Testament. In Witness whereof I have hereunto this seventh day
 of December one thousand eight hundred and ~~two~~ set my hand and affixed my Seal
 signed Seals published and } on Thomas Ham
 declared by the said Testatrix } interlined before signed } Naomi^{her} X Blanks (Seal)
 in presence of } mark
 Tho: Anderson Gabriel Brooks
 Joshua Adams

At a Court held for Pittsylvania County the 21st day of February 1803
 The within last Will and Testament of Naomi Blanks Deceased, was presented in
 Court and proved by the oaths of the subscribing Witnesses and Ordered to be Recorded
 and on the motion of Joseph Blanks the Executor herein named, who made Oath
 according to Law, and together with John Blanks his Security entered into and Acknow-
 ledged their Bond in the penalty of five hundred Dollars Conditioned as the Law
 directs, Certificate is granted him for obtaining a Probate thereof in due form
 Teste Will Turnstall CPG

Shelton Gab
 Will

In the name of God amen I Gabriel Shelton of Pittsylvania County
 being in a low State of health but in sound mind and Memory do thing fit to make
 and ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following that is
 I do first commend my body to the Earth from which it was taken and my soul to God
 who gave it, then I give ^{my son} to ~~Will~~ & to his Heirs for ever part of the tract of land
 whereon I now live lying next to Panther Creek and bounded as follows to wit beginning on
 John Bufords former line on pointen and thence a blazed and marked line to
 pointen in Vincent Sheltons line near the Road also I give to my son Will Five paces
 back then I give and bequeath -- to my son Gregory Shelton and to his heirs and
 assigns forever one other part of my said land adjoining the land already given to my
 son Will to wit beginning where John Bufords former line leaves Elleys Branch
 then down S branch to the mouth of my stile House branch then up my stile
 House branch to a Spanish oak on the South side thence a blazed and marked line
 to Spanish oak in David Pennills line on the road then I give and Bequeath to my
 son Gabriel Shelton and his heirs and assigns forever all that part of my said land lying
 on the south on the south side of White thorn Creek also I give to my son Gabriel the profit
 arising of that part of the Black house land which I purchased under the Patent Law
 then I give and bequeath to my son Brinerly Shelton and his heirs & assigns for ever
 all the residue or Remaining part of my said land whereon I now live with all its appur-
 tenances Saving to my beloved Wife Mary her lifetime or during ^{her} widowhood on the
 said land and premises, with my neweaten House and orchards and still in my plantation

Conjunction with my son Beverly during the before mentioned Term of Life or widowhood I also give to my beloved wife Mary one Feather bed and furniture also I lend her one horse harness and as much Kitchen Furniture and plantation tools as shall be a judge necessary for her use I also give to my wife and to her heirs for ever three cows & three Ewes Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Elizabeth and to her heirs for ever my Negro girl Isabella with all her furniture & increase Item I give to my Daughter Catherine Payn Fifty pounds cash Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Jane Taylor Fifty pounds cash also I give to each of my sons Gabriel and Beverly one Feather bed and furniture each my will and Desire is that my stocks of all kinds, house hold and kitchen Furniture, and plantation utensils not before lent and my Negroes that I have not before named should be sold at a reasonable credit for the most that can be got and the money arising thereby or from I said to be applied in the manner following to wit, first to pay the cash legacies and the balance to pay all my just Debts and in case there should not be enough to pay them in that case my four sons Wyall Gregory, Gabriel and Beverly shall make up and pay the Deficiency viz Each overpaying an Equal proportion of the same and Desire that if there should be anything left after paying my just Debts that the residue should be Equally Divided amongst all my children &c I do hereby constitute and appoint my sons Lemuel Gregory, Gabriel and Beverly my Executors to this my last will and Testament Dismissing and Revoking all other wills heretofore by me made I in witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and acknowledge my seal this Twenty first Day of April one thousand Eight hundred and three —

Signed & acknowledged
in presence of

Armistead Sheltors

West D Hunt

Abraham O Hunt

The Words I lend her was

interlined before assigned also the words

not before lent also the Words and still also the

Enamement

Gabriel Shelton (seal)

At a Court held for Pittsylvania County June the 20th 1803

The foregoing last Will and Testament of Gabriel Shelton deceased was presented in Court and proved by the Oaths of the subscribing witnesses thereto, and by the Court Ordered to be Recorded. And at another Court held for the said County the 19 Day of September in the year aforesaid the same was again presented in Court and the Executors therein named Refusing to take upon themselves the Burthen of the Execution thereof and Mary the Widow & Heir of the said Decedent testifying that she is right to the Administration of said Decedent's Estate on the Motion of Armistead Sheltors who made oath according to Law and together with Joshua Stone Daniel Coleman John White and Hobbs Turner his Securitis entered into and Acknowledged their Bonds in the penalty of Ten Thousand Dollars conditioned as the said District Court is granted him for Obtaining Letters of Administration on the Estate of said Decedent in due form

Teste

Will Tunstall

Examined

Stone John
Will

In the name of God amen The last will and testament of John Stone
I being weak in body but in sound & perfect memory and in proper senses and unimpaired
standing that I do hereby make this my last will and testament abolishing
and Disannulling all other Wills. Firstly I recommend my soul to God my Creator in hopes
of a sound and perfect Resurrection. Secondly my body to be Buried in a Christian manner
at the Discretion of my Executors here after mentioned and my worldly goods which
hath pleased God to lend me I Dispose of in manner and form following firstly I leave unto
my beloved wife Jean Stone that part of my plantation whereon you live known by
the name of the young orchard that is to say She is to have the use of the young orchard
and the land on the south side of the spring Branch also I lend her my Bay horse named
Bounce and two cows and calves also all my house hold goods during her natural life
I leave I give and bequeath unto my son John Stone one Shilling if Demanded
I leave I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Elizabeth Baldwin one Shilling if Demanded
I leave I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Esilpha Scott one Shilling if Demanded
I leave I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Sarah Ivern one Shilling if Demanded
I leave I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Reziab Sparks all my lands and all other my
Estate with that land my wife after her Death I leave I give and bequeath unto my grand
Daughter
Jean Sparks on Bay I leave both and the first colt she Brings alive I give
unto my grand Daughter Eleanor Sparks And I do appoint and authorize by beloved wife
and Trusty Friend Matthew Sparks to be my sole and ^{sole} Executors to see that this my last will
and testament be observed and fully Executed and performed Given under my hand and seal
this Twenty Seventh Day of August one thousand seven Hundred and ninety Eight
Signed and Sealed in
in presence of

Thomas Duncan

Josiah Gwin

Thomas Gwin

John Stone
wrote

Examined

At a Court held for Pettysylvania County June the 20th 1803
This last Will and Testament of John Stone deceased was presented in Court and proved by
the Oath of Thomas Gwin one of the witnesses hereto who also made Oath that Thomas
Duncan and Josiah Gwin the other two witnesses hereto (who are now dead) subscribed
their Names in his presence. Ordered that the same be Recorded. and at another
Court held for the said County the 19th Day of September in the year aforesaid the same was
again presented in Court and on the motion of Matthew Sparks the Executor therein
named who made oath according to Law and together with Adams Sutherland and Thomas
Sutherland his Securities entered into & acknowledged their Bond on the penalty of
two Thousand Dollars Conditioned as the Law Directs Certificate is Granted him
for obtaining a probate of the said Will in due form

Teste

Will Tunstall, Cpl

Jaco
W

25th

Wm Inman

Wife

Exam?

In the name of God Amen and on the twenty fifth Day of July and in the
 Date of our Lord one thousand seven Hundred and ninety eight I William Inman
 of Pittsylvania County being Weak and Sickly in body but in perfect mind and reason
 say I thank God for it I thought Knowing I am Mortal and not knowing how
 sudden death may fall on me do make ordain and appoint this ^{to be} my last will and
 Testament First that my Body be Decently Buried and all my just Debt duly
 paid & Discharged, Item I Give to my beloved Wife Susannah Inman
 during her life my whole Estate and after her Decase the personal Estate to be Equally
 Divided amongst my Five Children Namely Henry Inman, Nancy Inman,
 Edmund Inman Shadrach Inman Jesse Inman to them and their heirs for ever
 and my lands all to be sold at the Direction of the Executors and the money to be
 Equally Divided amongst all my Children Namely William Inman Polly Inman
 Sarah Morgan, Lydia Boaz, and the five children above mentioned I likewise
 constitute make and name Daniel Boaz and William Inman to be my sole Execu-
 tors of this my last will and Testament and I Do hereby utterly Revoke Disannul
 all other former Testaments wills and so forth in witness Whereof I have hereunto
 Set my hand and Seal the Day & Date Above mentioned Signed Sealed and
 acknowledged as my last will and Testament in presence of us

Test.
 James Fulton
 Shadrach Boaz
 Edmund Boaz

Wm Inman (Seal)
 remark

At a Court held for Pittsylvania County June the 20th 1803

This last Will and Testament of William Inman deceased was presented in Court and proved
 by the Oaths of the subscribing witnesses hereto and by the Court Ordered to be Recorded. and
 on the motion of Daniel Boaz and William Inman the Executors
 herein named who make oaths according to Law and together with
 Robert Buttontown Edmund Boaz and John Thurman their
 securities intered into and acknowledged their Bond in the sum of
 Five thousand pounds for that purpose conditioned as the Law
 directs certified to is granted them for obtaining a probate of the
 said Will in due form.

Exam?

Teste Willc Furbush Esq,

Jacob Thomas
 Willc

In the name of God Amen I Jacob Thomas of Pittsylvania County
 and State of Virginia. being Weak in Body but of sound mind and memory
 and knowing that it is appointed for all men to die do make this my last
 Will and Testament that is to say first of all I Commit my Soul into the
 hands of almighty God that gave it and my Body to the dust as it was, and
 as touching my worldly Estate wherewith God has been pleased to Bless me
 in this I dispose of and Give in following manner that is to say first

It is my desire that my Wife Hannah Thomas shall possess and keep the following Negroes To wit, Rachel, Thomas, Miller & Morris, during her natural life or Widowhood and at her Death or Marriage which ever may happen first. Then the said Negroes & their increase to be equally divided between my two sons Madison & Jacob. Secondly it is my Desire that if my two sons as above mentioned should die Without any lawful heir of their Body then the said Negroes & increase to return into the Thomas Family that is to say to the two sons of Nathaniel Thomas William Thomas and Nathe P Thomas Thirdly I Desire that the balance of my Estate be Equally divided Between my two sons Madison Thomas & Jacob Thomas Fourthly I do nominate and appoint John Farley and Asa Thomas Executors to this my last will and Testament

and I do hereby revoke & Disannul all and every will & Testament by me heretofore made declaring this only to be my last will and Testament In Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this second Day of May in the year of our Lord 1803

signed Sealed and published

Jacob Thomas ^{Sealed}

in the presence of

Asa Thomas

Charles Thomas

Pyrr Thomas

A Court held for Pettyswanna County June the 20th 1803

This last Will and Testament of Jacob Thomas deceased hereto annexed was presented in Court and proved by the oaths of Charles Thomas and Pyrr Thomas two of the subscribing witnesses thereto and by the Court Ordered to be Recorded. And at another Court held for the said County the 19th Day of September in the year aforesaid the same was again presented in Court and on the Motion of Asa Thomas one of the Executors therein named whom the oath according to Law and together with John Griggory George Sutherland and John Watters his Securities entered into and Acknowledges their Bond in the penalty of Ten Thousand Dollars conditioned as the Law Directs Certificate is Granted him for Obtaining a Probate of the said Will in due form and leave is Reserved for the other Executor in the said Will named to Join in the Probate ^{thereof} when he shall thereupon file the Will Trustable JPH.

Examined

Examined

James
Will

I Halcott Townes of the Town of Danville Pittsylvania and State of Virginia do hereby make my last Will and Testament in form following Viz. First I desire that all the perishable part of my Estate be sold after my decease, and out of the Monies arising therefrom all my just Debts and funeral Expenses be paid — Secondly I give and bequeath to my Beloved Wife Polly Townes all the Negroes that came by her and their Increase — I also desire that my Executors shall, out of my Estate pay unto her five hundred Dollars, to be paid either in Bonds or Money, if in Bonds, to be paid immediately, and if in Money to be paid when collected by my Executors out of bonds now in my possession — Thirdly — I give and bequeath to my four sons George, Robert, Edward & Stephen all the real and residue of my Estate both real and Personal to be divided between them equally, it is also my desire that the said Estate should be hired out or rented till they come of age, and when either of them comes of age or Marry that he shall have his proportion allotted of to him and so on till they all become of age or Marry — Also it is my Will and desire that the clear profits arising from the Merchandize I wish to remain as Assets in the hands of the Executor and to be put to Interest for my four sons benefit — And Lastly I do constitute and appoint my trusty friend Maj^r Daniel Coleman Son of Stephen Coleman my Sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament relying on the prudence and discretion of my said Executor I hereby invest him with full power to act and with all the necessary functions of Testamentary Guardian and by a Privilege intended to be conveyed by this Clause the Dignity of their Education and their State of Economy in their Minority solely rest in him — And I do hereby revoke all other or former Wills or Testaments by me heretofore made In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seal this fifth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and three, Signed in presence of —

James Colquhoun
Daniel Coleman jr^r
Gideon Mitchell
W^m Linn —

Halcott Townes (Seal)

At a Court held for Pittsylvania County July the 18. 1803 —
The foregoing last Will and Testament of Halcott Townes deceased was presented in Court and proved by the Oath of Gideon Mitchell one of the witnesses thereto and at another Court held for the said County December the 19th in the year aforesaid the same was again presented in Court and further proved by the Oath of James Colquhoun, one other of the Witnesses thereto, and Ordered to be Recorded, and it appearing to the Satisfaction of the Court, that Daniel Coleman the Executor therein appointed, will not take upon himself the burden of the Execution thereof, on the Motion of Robert Payne Certificate is granted him for obtaining Letters of Administration of all and singular the Goods & Chattels, Rights and Credits which were of the said Testator at the time of his Death with his said Will annexed, he having first taken the Oath by Law prescribed and together with James Colquhoun, Thomas Stewart, and Nickman Spiller his Securities entered into and Acknowledged their Bond in the penalty of Twenty Thousand Dollars Conditioned as the Law directs —

Teste Wm Sunstall C^l C.

Smith's
Will

In the name of God amen I James Smith of the County of Pittsylvania and State of Virginia being of sound and perfect memory do constitute this my last will and testament after paying my Just Debts and funeral Expenses first recommending my Spirit into the hands of Almighty God that Gave it. Item I lend to my Dearly Beloved Wife Elizabeth Smith one third of the Land whereon I now live including the plantation with my house hold and Kitchen furniture and oldest mare and my whole Stock of Cattle Item I lend to my Son James one acre of Land including the House and Spring where she now lives Item I lend to my Daughter Nancy Gurnel for the Space of five years the House and plantation whereon she now lives. Item I Give and bequeath to my Son and Daughters James Smith Sarah Brooks and Nancy Gurnel each of them five Shillings Sterling Resolving that I have herebefore given them as much as I was Able to afford them. Item I Give and Bequeath to my Grandson Allen Smith my youngest Sorel mare and Gun Item I Give and bequeath to my son Joseph Smith the Whole tract of Land whereon I now live with my hold improvement thereon and plantation tools and one black face Sorel mare and Colt Item I leave my Wheaten seed tools to be sold To pay my Just Debts Signed in the year of our Lord 1803 the 10th day of May
 Teste
 George Sprattler
 William Burjess

May the 10th day 1803
 James Smith Deceased

At a Court held for Pittsylvania County the 19th Day of September 1803. The last will and testament of James Smith. Deceased was presented in Court and proved by the oaths of the Subscribing Witnesses and ordered to be Recorded and on the motion of Joseph Smith who made oath according to Law and together with John Walters and Asa Thomas his Securities entered into and acknowledged their Bond in the penalty of Four thousand Dollars conditioned as the Law Directs Certificate is granted him for obtaining titles of Administration on the said Decedents Estate with his said Will annexed in due form

Teste

Will Tunstall Esq.

Kings
Will

In the name of God Amen I Whisly King of the County of Pittsylvania being through the Abundant mercy and Goodness of God this week in body yet of a sound and perfect understanding and memory do constitute this my last Will and testament and Desire it to be Received by all as such. I Impart first to my Dear & Loving Mother Grace King forty three acres of Land more or less lying on Sandy Creek and all the tenements thereon and I also Give her my bay mare and both my Colts I also Give her eight head of hogs and also Give her an Account on Shewder Crofford for twelve Dollars and I also leave the money that is in Samuel Motleys hands to her if any when Settlement is made and I also Desire all my Just Debts to be punctually paid and I do constitute Samuel Motley Executor of this my last will and testament Signed in the presence of

unto set my hand and seal this twenty fifth day of June 1803. Chesley King
Teste David Torrey James Dodson
William Ruple, Samuel Guey

At a Court held for Pittsylvania County the 19th Day of September 1803. The within last
Will and Testament of Chesley King Dec^d was presented in Court and proved by the Oaths of three
of the Subscribing Witnesses thereto and ordered to be Recorded and on the motion of Samuel Motley
of the Executor therein named who made oath according to Law, and together with Daniel
Motley & Henry Clapp his Securities entered into and Acknowledged their Bond in the pen
alty of Five Hundred pounds conditioned as the Law directs Certificate is granted him for
obtaining a Probate of the said Will in due form.

This Will Testate Cth

In the presence of God Amen I David Parnell of the County of Pittsylvania
and State of Virginia being in perfect health both of body and mind, but mindful of
the many diseases and accidents that do daily happen to terminate the Existence
of human Creatures in this World do make this my last Will and Testament
I give my body to my loving wife Bethenia Parnell and to my hereafter named
Executor to be ~~buried~~ agreeable to their directions, and I offer my soul to almighty
God who have it praying he will receive it in mercy through faith in our blessed
Redeemer Jesus Christ; I then it is my desire that every Just debt I owe shall be paid
with all practicable speed to effect which I desire that my Store of Goods at Chalk
Levell and at Sandy river Store be sold off by my hereafter named Executor at publick
or private Sale as he may Judge most advantageous to my Estate on twelve mon the Credit the
Purchaser giving bond with good Security and that the Debts due to the said two Stores
be collected as Speedily as possible, also I do desire that my interest of one half in the
Stock and profits of the Concern of William Wimbish & Company, also my interest
of one third in the Concern of Grasty and Parnells and my Interest of one third in
the Concern of Jesse Loftwich & Company, be immediately as possible Settled and
received by my hereafter named Executor, I then it is my desire that any debts Goods
Chattels or other property whatever that may be received by my hereafter named Executor
from either the last mentioned three Concerns, shall be disposed of as directed with
respect to the Goods on hand and debts due to my Chalk Levell Store and my Sandy river Store
I then it is my desire that as Collections can be made from the proceeds of my interest in
the said three Concerns, and as fast as Collections can be made from the Goods and debts
of my own two Stores above mentioned, that my Debts be paid until they all be paid and
then the balance of the proceeds of said Concerns and Stores as soon as it can be collected
shall be divided as following (Wth) one third part to my loving wife Bethenia
Parnell and the other two thirds to be reserved for the Child or Children that my said
wife is now pregnant with ^{or may be pregnant with} during my natural life I do give and bequeath

262- unto my Brother George Pannill my sword which was given by my uncle David Pannill to my Deceased Brother John Pannill, and purchased by me at his sale but this gift is accompanied with a serious belief and request that it never will be drawn in favor of a Jacobine or rebellious Party, Item I do give and bequeath to my loving wife Betheina Pannill her heirs or assigns forever all my - stock of Cattle sheep and hogs all my house hold and ~~the~~ ^{within} furniture my riding chair harness and plantation utensils and any three geldings or mares that I may ^{own} be possessed of that is she is to have her choice, Item I do Desire my Executor sell my stud horse Ajax and the rest of my horses not herein before bequeathed and to sell them in the same manner as directed respecting my Horse goods and to appropriate the proceeds in the same manner Item it is my desire that my loving wife shall have the sole use and benefit of my tract of Land on which ~~the~~ ^{she} I purchased of Vincent Shelton and the sole use and benefit of the Land whereon I now live called Chalk Level during her natural life - time then to go to my heir or heirs forever, and my said wife shall be excluded - from any part Interest or claim in or to any other Lands Whatsoever or where - soever that I may be possessed of or entitled to and further it is demanded that my said Wife do make all her right in and to a tract of Land lying in Patrick County on Ararat River waters of the Yadkin River which was deeded to her by John Mann, she shall make all her right and title in and to said last mentioned tract over to my heir or heirs forever, Item it is my desire that the negroes I may be possessed of may be Divided between ^{10 or 12} my loving and my - heir or heirs as the Law Directs, but that none shall be taken out of her possession till the Expiration of three years after my death unless before that time my Executor may collect enough and have paid all my debts and pay her three hundred pounds or upwards of her part of moneys by him to be collected, then my Executor shall receive the part of said Negroes allotted to my heir or heirs, in meantime no charge is to be made for the maintenance of my child or children during the time my said wife may keep said negroes nor is she to pay any hire for said negroes, Item in case my loving wife should fail or refuse to make the right as before mentioned to the Land aforesaid in Patrick County then this Will so far as it respects shall be null and Void and in every other part this Will shall be good and binding Item in case my said wife stand to this Will and make and make the right herein before required my child or children lawfully begotten either born before my death or afterwards - shall be and is hereby entitled to ~~the~~ ^{the} whole of my Estate both real and personal otherwise bequeathed and in case my said wife should not stand to this or make the said right then my said child or children shall be entitled to the whole of my Estate Both real and personal Except my said wifes lawful

part thereof and the sword already bequeathed, It is my desire that after my debts being paid all monies coming into the hands of my hereafter named Executor belonging to my Child or Children be laid out either in three percent Stock of the United States or be lent on Interest to the Government of the United States which ever my ^{said} Executor may Judge most to the advantage of said Child or Children, and that when the Interest become it shall be received and laid out in the same ^{manner} or such part thereof as is not required for Education mainance &c) and so on till said Child I may become of Lawfull age or marry, Then it is my will and desire that my hereafter named Executor shall have the sole Guardianship of my Child or Childrens fortunes untill it or they become of Lawfull age or marry and in case it or they should be a girl Child or girl Children then my Loving wife shall have the Entire Guardianship of her or their person or persons - not but should it be a man Child or man Children, then at the age of ten years it or they shall be under the Guardianship of my hereafter named Executor, and if part should be girl Children and a part man Children, Then the girl Child or Children as to their persons shall be under the Guardianship of my Loving wife who must be paid all necessary Expenses for the same, and the Boy Child or Children under the Guardianship of my hereafter named Executor, Then it is my desire that my Children should be raised as decently and as gently, and be as liberally educated as the income of their fortunes will admit of, and if boys to be acquainted with agriculture and know something of Practical leighbor, Then it is my desire that in case I should have no heir Lawfully begotten of my body or that I should have an heir or heirs and it or they should die before they arrive to the Lawfull age or have Lawfull begotten Children so that I have no Lawfull posterity left, then that part of my estate Devised to my Child or Children shall go to my Brothers Samuel Pannill George Pannill and my Sisters Elizabeth Davis Sarah B. M. Pannill Fanny Pannill Nancy Pannill and Polly Pannill an equal proportion of it to each of them their heirs or assigns forever. Item I do ^{humbly} appoint my Brother Samuel Pannill sole Executor to this my Last will and testament and do desire that he may give bond without security for the performance of the same and be allowed an ample compensation for performing the same or causing it to be done by such person or persons as he may think proper to employ to do it under his immediate control I would recommend no better man than is now in my business business but in this my Executor is entirely at his discretion. Nevertheless should the said Saml Pannill depart this live before the said Will is fully Performed, then my brother Morton Pannill shall be in his stead, and perform the Balance of the said will in the same manner as required of said Samuel and give Bond for his performance in the same manner, as directed for said Samuel.

264. In Testimony of the six pages and the above I mean seven pages and the above being my last will and Testament I have hereunto set my hand this twenty-eighth day of May one thousand eight hundred and

thirty
Wm. Shelton 1/2 of Lewis -
James Linn - - -

David Pannill - -

Examiner
At a Court held for Pittsylvania County November the 21st 1803
This last Will and Testament of David Pannill Deceased - - - was presented in Court by Samuel Pannill the Executor therein appointed and proved by the Oaths of William Shelton Zacharias Lewis, and James Linn three of the Witnesses thereto, and by the Court Ordered to be Recorded, and on the Motion of the said Executor who having first taken the Oath of Executor by Law prescribed, and no Security being required by the said Will, entered into and Acknowledges his Bond in the Penalty of Fifty-thousand Dollars, Conditioned as the Law Direct, Certificate is granted him for obtaining a probate of the said Will in due form -

Teste. Will. Sunstake cpe.

Sylvester
Garner's Will
In the name of God Amen I Sylvester Garner of Pittsylvania County and State of Virginia being in perfect mind & Memory Considering the Mortality of this body & that it is appointed unto all men once to die, I do make & Ordain this my last Will & Testament, and first of all I give & Bequeath my Soul to God, that gave it and my body to the earth, not doubting but at the General Resurrection I shall receive the same, and for such worldly Estate as it hath pleased God to bless me with in this life I give and demise and dispose of in manner & form following, in the first place I gave unto my Granddaughter Nancy Hutchison one Negro Child named Rachel she and her Increase to the said Nancy Hutchison Daughter of Elenor Riddel to her and her Ares forever, the 4th of my Estate. I gave unto my only Daughter Elenor Riddel, now the Wife of Zachariah Riddel all my Estate both Real and personal at my Death to wit, three Negroes their names as follows Horridel, Harry, & Letty, I say to her during her Natural Life, and then to be divided equally among the hole of her Children, and their heirs this I Ordain as my last Will & Testament, as Witnesses whereof I Subscribe my name in presence of

Witness -
William Nelson, James Soyars.
James Nelson Zachariah Riddel.

Sylvester ^{his} Garner
marks

Examiner
At a Court held for Pittsylvania County December the 19th 1803
This last Will and Testament of Sylvester Garner Deceased was presented in Court and proved by the Oaths of three of the Subscribing Witnesses thereto, and by the Court Ordered to be Recorded -

Teste. Will. Sunstake cpe.

265

In the name of God Amen I Chloe Shelton of the County of Pittsylvania and State of Virginia being being weak in body, though of sound mind and memory, Calling to mind the uncertainty of this mortal life, and the certainty of Death, do make and Ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following (vizt) 1st I recommend my body to the dust from which it came hoping for a happy Resurrection. Item I give and bequeath to my beloved Sons Crispin Shelton, William Shelton, Tavenor Shelton and Frederick Shelton, one Dollar Current money of Virginia, each, to them their heirs and assigns forever - Item I give and bequeath to my beloved Daughter Lattice White during her natural life the following Negroes to wit, Rasmah and her three Children namely, Joe, Ned & Lucindia with all the future Increase of the female part, and after her Death to be equally divided amongst all her Children, then their heirs and assigns forever - which Negroes she now has in her possession - Item I give and bequeath to my beloved Daughter Jane Stone, during her natural life one negro Girl named - Siller, and one negro Woman named Liddia with all their future Increase, one feather Bed & furniture and one Woman Saddle, and after her Death to be equally divided amongst all her Children, to them their heirs and assigns forever. Item I send to my beloved Son Abraham Shelton, one negro man named Sam, and one negro boy named Ambros, one Spotted mare & Colt, one feather bed and furniture, under the following Condition to wit, that is to say, Should my son Abraham attempt to make Improper uses of the said property above lent, that my Sons Crispin & Robertson Shelton shall have full power and Authority at any time, when they shall see Just cause to lay hands on the before mentioned property lent to my said Son Abraham, and prevent him the said Abraham or any other person or persons from making Sale of any part or parcel of the said property without the Consent of the said Crispin or Robertson Sheltons, and should a Sale of any of the above mentioned property be made by my said Son Abraham Shelton or the future Increase from the above mentioned mare, then my Will and Desire is that my Sons Crispin, Robertson, should have full power to take at their Discretion any part or the whole of the property sold, into their possession for the use of him the said Abraham as I do not in this Will give him any power over the above property lent to him; but should he the said Abraham marry and Survive the said Crispin & Robertson, and his Wife have Issue then the property should descend to his heirs agreeable to the Act for Distribution of Intestate Estates; - Item I give and bequeath to my beloved Son Robertson Shelton the following Negroes to wit, one negro man named Ned, & one negro Woman named Litley & her two Children namely Scott and Metildia, one feather Bed & furniture, all my household and Kitchen furniture my plantation Utensils - all my Stock of Cattle Hogs & Sheep, all the Crop of Tobacco, Corn, Wheat Rye and Oats and of every other kind whatsoever, that may be on hand or Growing also my Stock of Geese and all my Debts of every kind that may be due to me, with all the future Increase of the female part, to him his heirs and assigns forever - And have devised all and every part and parcel of my Estate, I do hereby constitute and appoint my beloved Son Robertson Shelton my Sole Executor to this my last Will & Testament, not Compelling my said Executor to have my said Estate appraised, and do hereby Revoke and Disannull all and every other Will heretofore by me made, and do declare this as my last Will and Testament. In Witness of have hereunto Set my hand

and

and affixed my Seal this twenty first day of January in the year of our Lord Christ one
Dominy one thousand eight hundred and three —

Witness —

William Shetton

Isaac Shetton

Solomon Shetton

her
Chloe X Shetton
mark



187.
words

Examinado

At a Court held for Pittsylvania County the 20th day of February 1804
The within last Will and Testament of Chloe Shetton Deceased was presented in
Court by Robertson Shetton the Executor therein named, and proved by the Oaths of
Isaac Shetton and Isaac Shetton two of the Witnesses thereto, and Ordered to be —
Recorded, And on the motion of the said Executor, who made Oaths according to
Law and with Crispin Shetton Tavenor Shetton, Abraham Shetton, John Stone
William Barnes and Hookley Turner his Securities entered into and Acknowledged
their Bonds in the penalty of Three Thousand Dollars Conditioned as the Law
Directs, Certificate is Granted him for obtaining a probate of the said
Will in due form — Testa Wm Sunstae Esq

In the name of God amen. I Susannah Sandford
of the County of Pittsylvania and State of Virginia being of
Perfect sound mind & memory, but in low state of health do make
and ordain this my last Will and Testament, revoking all others
heretofore by me made, Viz — I do order that my burying place
be by the side of my mother Hester Sandford Dec^d on my brother
Joseph Sandford's land at the place called Miller Church, and that the
Rev^d John Brown James Tompkins James Hunt & John Adkinson or
any of them who may be called on preach my Funeral Sermon &
also that my Grave and mother Hester Sandford shall be
walled in with rocks and both enclosed in one Wall, which is to be painted
white and edged with black, which expenses with all other of my last
Wills shall be paid by those who shall be named as legates hereafter in
this my last Will agreeable to each one proportion of said Est^t, & then my
Will is that my Est^t of every kind be Divided as followeth Viz, I do give
my brother Joseph Sandford my Negro Woman Minney & my Negro
lad William, also my Negro boy George, on his paying Susan Sandford
my brother James Sandford, daughter one hundred pounds in the year
eighteen hundred & five & put on Interest till she is of age or marries —
which is my desire she shall possess as an adequate sum for said boy George
and my accompt may be due me from my brother Joseph Sandford as Susan
shall be for his own use as a Gift, Then I give Susan Medlock my niece
Two Negroes Lucy & Pompey and if she dies without lawful heirs
of her body or before she Marries, then my Desire is that part of my Estate
Which her shall descend to my Sister Eliza Glascock and her Children
Forever. Then I give Hester Gancey my niece Fifty seven pounds in the
hands of Robert Harvey for the hire of Pompey Minney & Lucy
& George, which sum is to be applied to the purchase of a Negro
girl by Elizabeth Glascock for the special use and right of the
said Hester Gancey also so soon as may be properly convenient —

Item I give my niece Susan Gancy my Negroe girl Minney daughter of Fanny for her Immediate use and right. Item I give Thomas Glascock my riding horse Sampter. Item I give Chloe Glascock my niece Esther and Eliza Davy & Patty Daughter to Fanny & my - Compas Bed quilt. Item I give my Sister Eliza Glascock my Feather Bed and Furniture and all my house hold furniture also my Will & devise is that if my Brother Joseph Sandford should die without Lawful Issue, that part of my Estate herein Will'd to him shall descend to Elizabeth Glascock & her heirs forever & if my Sister Elizabeth Glascock and children should die these proportions of my Estate to -

Descend to Joseph Sandford and his heirs forever & lastly my Will is the above property shall be enjoyed and kept by the aforesaid Legates and their posterity, and not be sold on any account Whatsoever also I leave my Sister Eliza Glascock Executrix of this my last Will and Testament As Witness I have for my own hand Write to this seal this 5th day of Jan^y 1804

I further I give my Brother Joseph Sandford } Susan Sandford
 Esther here to Jonathan B. Dorson for the sum }
 of twelve pounds, Entitled him to pay said }
 as my Executrix shall not be bound to give }
 Security &c.

Witness -

Raulley White

Chambers Ferry

Geo Glascock

At a Court held for Alleghenia County the 20th day of February 1804 The annexed Will of Susanna Sandford Dorson was presented in Court and proved by the oaths of Raulley White Chambers Ferry and George Glascock the three Subscribing Witnesses, and by the Court ordered to be Recorded and at an other Court held for the said County the 17th Day of December in the year aforesaid the said Will was again presented in Court and on the motion of Elizabeth Glascock the Executrix therein named who made oath according to Law Certificate is granted her for obtaining a probate of the said Will in due form

Teste Will Tunstall Esq^r

Examined

In the name of God Amen I Justice Heath of the County of
 Hampshire & County of Pennsylvania being of sound mind & memory thank
 to God Heath knowing that it is appointed for all men to die do make and
 ordain this my last will & testament in the following manner & form
 (Witness) first I recommend my soul to God that gave it. & my body to the
 dust to be decently buried at the Discretion of my Executors hereafter
 appointed and as to my Worldly Goods or Estate with which it hath
 pleased God to bless me with I do dispose of in the following man-
 -ner (Witness) first I desire that all my Just Debts be paid, and out-standing
 Debts to wit I give and bequeath to my Grand son Richard
Heath son of my Deceased son John Heath one Shilling current
 money of Virginia and no more to him and his heirs for ever
 I then I give and bequeath to my Grand son James Gower Heath
 son of my Deceased son John one Shilling current money of Virginia
 and no more to him & his heirs for ever I then I give and bequeath to my
 Grandson John son of my deceased son John one Shilling current money of
 Virginia and no more to him and his heirs forever I then I give
 bequeath to my Grand son Henry Heath son of my Deceased son
John one Shilling current money of Virginia and no more to him &
 his heirs forever I then I give & bequeath to my Grand Daughter
Martha daughter of my Deceased son John one Shilling
 current money of Virginia and no more to her and her heirs forever
 I then I give and bequeath to my Grand Daughter Tabatha Daughter
 of my Deceased son John one Shilling current money of Virginia
 and no more to her and her heirs for ever I then I give and bequeath
 my Grand son Parshill Heath son of my Deceased son John the
 tract of Land now lies on lying on the Water of Stratstone Creek &
 joining the line of David Stone containing by estimation two hundred &
 forty seven acres to him and his heirs forever I give one Negro man named
Primer to him and his heirs forever I then I give and bequeath to my
 Grand sons and Grand Daughters sons and Daughters of my Deceased
 son James Heath if any there be living one Shilling current money of
 Virginia to each person of them my said Grand Children the same as if
 they were Particulars intended by name & no more to them and their
 heirs forever I then I give and bequeath - to my son William Heath two
 Negroes named Arthur & John to him my said son - - - & his heirs
 forever I then I give and bequeath to my son Charles Heath two
 Negroes named Bonnie & Cesar to him my said son and his heirs for
 ever I then I give and bequeath to my two sons William & Charles
 and my Daughter Martha all my Libras of Books to be Equally
 Divided between them shear & John alike I then my wife and mine father is
 that all the remaining part of my estate not before mentioned or given
 away -

269- away be it of what Nature or kind so ever as Cattle hogs and other stocky-
plantations tools and crops of ~~the~~ on what Tobacco &c. house hold and
kitchen furniture &c. be sold to the highest bidder at Publick auction either
for ready money or on credit at the direction of my Executors and the money
arising therefrom together with what money may be on hand be first appro-
priated to the payment of Just Ditts and the money Legacies as above and the
remainding part to be equally Divided between my three Daughters Martha
Mary and Tabitha shear and shear alike to them my said Children and their
heirs for ever lastly I do appoint & constitute my two sons William & Charles
& Charles Keatts Executors of this my last Will and Testament and ^{legally} utterly
revoke and Disannul all other wills ~~formally~~ ^{legally} made and do appoint
this to be my last Will and Testament In Witness Whereof I have here
unto set my hand & seal this second Day of Decembre one thousand eight
hundred and three

signed sealed & Published by
the Testator in presence of

Charles ^{his} Keatts ^{and}
marks

D. Aunt
John Hunt Benjamin Waller.

At a Court held for Pittsylvania County the 18th day of June 1804.
The within last Will and Testament of Charles Keatts Deceased, was presented in Court
and proved by the Oaths of two of the Subscribing Witnesses thereto, and ordered to be
Recorded, And on the Motion of William Keatts and Charles Keatts the Executors in
their names, who having first taken the Oath by Law prescribed and together with
Robertson Shelton, Benjamin Gosney, John Lewis and William Lewis their Securities
entered into and acknowledged their Bond in the penalty of six Thousand Dollars
Conditioned as the Law directs, Certificate is granted them for obtaining a probate of said Will
in due form

Teste Will Tunstall Cplc.

I John Shelton of Pittsylvania County being in Reasonable Good Health
and sound mind and Disposing memory do think proper to ^{make and} ~~make~~ this my
Shelton's last Will and Testament in manner and form following To Wit I Give
Will Give & bequeath to my son Abraham Shelton and to his heirs and assigns
forever all my tract of Land I now live on with the appurtenances thereunto
belonging. I Give to my Daughter Jane Lewis one Dollar. I also Give
my Daughter Francis Shelton (wife to Tunstall Shelton) Fifty cents
Likewise I Give to my Daughter Mary Dow Fifty Dollars to be paid
by my executor herein after named out of my estate. And to my Children
heirs

having afore named and to thine heirs forever all my Negroes ^{that} I now possess with thine ~~estate~~ ^{estate} increase to be Equally Divided amongst them by Lot. To Wm. Shetton Joel Shetton Claiborne Shetton Abraham Shetton Francis Shetton Martha Tucker Charlotte Shetton Nancy White Lucy Hunt and Leticia Shetton and further my will and Desire is that my stile and stock of all kinds of household & Kitchen Furniture and plantation utensils shall be sold to the Highest Bidder allowing a reasonable Credit & the money arising from such sale after paying my last Debts the residue to be Equally Divided amongst my said Children & Wives Shetton Joel Shetton Claiborne Shetton Abraham Shetton Francis Shetton Martha Tucker Charlotte Shetton Nancy White Lucy Hunt and Leticia Shetton and I do hereby again constitute and appoint my two sons Joel and Abraham and my Friend Vincent Shetton my Executors to this my last Will and Testament Do annulling rescoking and making Void all other Wills or Wills hereafter by me made. In Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 26th Day of November 1801

signed sealed & acknowledged

John Shetton Esq.

in presence of

William Shetton Henry R. Shetton
Lewis Shetton

At a Court held for Montgomery County the 18th day of June 1804.
The foregoing last Will and Testament of John Shetton Deceased was presented in Court and proved by the Oaths of William Shetton and Henry R. Shetton two of the subscribing Witnesses thereto, and Ordered to be Recorded. and on the motion of Joel Shetton and Abraham Shetton two of the Executors therein named who made Oaths according to Law and together with West D. Hunt, Claiborne Shetton, Leroy Shetton Abraham Shetton (son of Gabriel) Richard Shetton, Beverly Shetton Vincent Shetton James Linn, and John Adams have their Securities entered into and acknowledged their Bonds in the penalty of Ten Thousand Dollars Conditions as the Laws directs Certificate is granted them for obtaining a probate of said Will in due form, and Vincent Shetton the other Executor therein named refuses to take upon himself the burthen of the Execution thereof -

Teste Will Tunstall Esq.

Examined

In the name of God - now I George Sutherland Sr. of the County of Pittsylvania
being weak in body, but in perfect senses & Memory thank God for it, do make
this my last Will and Testament, Abolishing all other Wills. Firstly I Recommend my
Soul to God my maker, in hopes of a Sound & perfect Resurrection and my body to the
grave to be buried in a Christian manner at the Discretion of my Executors hereafter
mentioned, and my worldly goods which it hath pleased God to lend me I dispose
of in manner following after all my Just Debts are paid. - Firstly I give unto
my Son John Sutherland my Negro Wife, and my Negro Sampson. Then I give unto
my Son George Sutherland my Negro Luff and Negro Price & Increase and Bed & Furniture
Then I give unto my Son Thomas Sutherland my Negro Sam & Negro Isaac and Negro
Jenny & Increase. Then I give unto my Son William Sutherland my Negro Ike
and Negro Dorcas and her Increase. Then I give unto my son Adams Sutherland
my Negro Jack & Negro Girl Frank & Increase and one hundred Acres of Land to be laid
off to him joining his Land where he lives on the South side of Sandy Creek -
Then I give unto my Son James Sutherland my Negro Archer and Negro Woman
Yard & Increase also one fether Bed & Furniture also all my Lands on San River
Sandy River & Sandy Creek Excepting one hundred Acres to be laid off for my
son Adams Sutherland at the upper end of the Land now here on. Then I give
unto my Daughter Melinda Gevin my Negro James & Negro Woman Phillis known
by But Phillis and Increase with my Land on Sandy River bought of John
Hane Tur. Then I give unto my Daughter Elizabeth Michelborough my
Negro Squar and Negro Girl Sabra and Increase. Then I give unto my Daughter
Nancy McDaniel my Negro Woman Sharlot and her Child and fifty Dollars
each her proportion of Estate to be sold. Then I give unto my Daughter Sally
Smith my Negro Manuel and Negro Woman Sarah & Increase. Lastly I desire
that all my property not already given may be sold and equally divided among
all my Children. And I do appoint my Trusty Sons Thomas Sutherland & Adams
Sutherland to be my Executors to see that this my last Will and Testament be fully
Executed. As Witnesses my hand and Seal this 17th day of January 1803 -
(The Wills Increase & Daughter interlined before Signed)

Signed Sealed and Delivered
in the presence of
Thomas Duncan Matthew X Sparks
Brooks & Sparks
mark

George X Sutherland
mark

At a Court held for Pittsylvania County the 18th day of June 1804
The within Writing purporting to be the Will of George Sutherland deceased was
presented in Court by Thomas Sutherland and Adams Sutherland the Executors herein
named who by their Attorney moved the Court to have the same proved and Recorded -
whereupon came John Sutherland Robert Mickelberry William Smith and John
Gavin by their Attorney and opposes the Validity of the said Will suggesting that
it was not the Will of the said George Sutherland, and for reasons appearing to the
Court. It is ordered that the said motion be continued till the next Court.
And at another Court held for the said County the 16th day of July in the year
aforesaid came the parties aforesaid by their Attorneys and the said Writing being

again presented in Court, on hearing two of the Subscribing Witnesses on Oath, as well as other Testimony the Court are of Opinion that the said Writing is the last Will and Testament of the said George Sutherland Deceased, and do Order that the same be Recorded. From which Opinion and Order of the Court the said John Sutherland Robert Mickleberry William Smith and John Given entered an appeal to the first day of the Honorable District Court to be holden at Franklin Courthouse in September next, and with James Stewart their Security entered into and acknowledged their Bond for that purpose according to law. And at another Court held for the said County the 15th day of October in the year aforesaid the said Will was again presented in Court and appearing to the Court from an Order of the District Court that the original aforesaid last Will be read by Consent of parties at the Court of the appellants, the Motion of Thomas Sutherland & Adams Sutherland the Executors in the said Will named Defendants both according to law & with George Sutherland James Sutherland Robert Mickleberry James Stewart & John Given Thompson Wm Booth Joseph Porter Henry Williams Wm Williams & Edmund Fennell their Securities entered into & acknowledged their Bond in the penalty of Twenty Thousand Dollars conditioned as the law directs. The Court is granted leave for the said aforesaid of the said Will in due form. Teste Will Donnelly, Esq.

Examined

Trakers
Schemiah
his Will

In the name of God amen, I Schemiah Trakers of Pittsylvania County, being weak in body, but of sound mind and memory do make and Ordain this my last Will and Testament in the following manner to wit, -
 Now I desire that all my best Dable may be paid. Now I give to my Daughter Mary Ann a Negroe Woman names Cas, Now I give to my son James a Negroe boy names George, Now I give to my son John a Negroe girl names Phillis. Now I give to my Daughter Elizabeth Foster, a Negroe girl names Hannah. Now I give to my son Samuel a Negroe boy named Stephen. Now I give to my Daughter Serena a Negroe boy named Bob. Now I give to my son Wesley, a Negroe boy named Gilbert, Now I give to my Daughter Milley, a Negroe girl known by the name of little Lucy. Now I give to my son William a Negroe girl names Mary to them and their heirs forever. I desire that my Daughter Polly may have as much money out of the residue of my Estate as will be of Equal Value to this Negroe I give to my Daughter Foster at the time she has it in possession, unless there should be an increase, in that case, to have the first that may be born and succeed in life thereof. Now I give to my beloved Wife Amelia, during her natural life, the Tract of Land whereon I now live, with all the stock of Horses Cattle and Hogs with all plantation Utensils House-holds and Kitchen furniture, and the following Negroes, to wit Harry, Walt, Lucy, Solas and Nancy, and at her Death I desire the above named Negroes and their Increase, may be Equally divided amongst all my Children above named also the Land and Stock of every kind and Furniture that may remain, may be equally divided amongst all my Children in the most equitable manner and I further desire that the Negroes given to my Children, who are under age, may remain with their mother until they arrive at lawfull age, and last of all I appoint my son James and Samuel Foster, my Executors, to this my last Will and Testament. In Testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this sixth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and three signed, sealed & acknowledged in the presence of
 Thomas Sparks, James Schappere.

Schemiah Trakers

At a Court held for Pittsylvania County the 17th day of September 1805. This last Will and Testament of Schemiah Trakers

Decreed as presented in Court and proved by the Oaths of Thomas Sparks one of the Subscribing Witnesses hereto and at another Court held for the said County the 19th Day of October 1812. The said will was again presented in Court and thereupon Thomas Sparks a subscribing witness thereto made Oath that James Chappell the other witness to the said will subscribed in his presence, that the said Chappell was not a resident of this part of the County at that time, nor has he been since, and is now if alive in parts unknown to the said Sparks, whereupon it is ordered that the said will be recorded, and thereupon James Trahern one of the Executors named in the said will being a non-resident of this state, and Samuel Hester the other Executor residing in the County of Ellicklenburg, and refusing to take upon himself the burden of the Execution of the said will, whereupon on the motion of James Patterson and Lemuel Trahern whose Oath according to Law, and with William Ware & Edmund Carter in their securities entered into and acknowledged their bond in the penalty of five thousand Dollars conditioned as the said directs, Certificate is granted them for obtaining Letters of administration of the Estate of the said Decedent in due form with his will annexed and sealed.

Examined

Richard Reynolds Vice

In the name of God Amen I Richard Reynolds of Pennsylvania County and state of Virginia being in perfect memory & state of mind do hereby undertake to make this my Last Will and Testament. Commit my body to the ground & my soul to God & when all my Just Ditts is paid I leave my Beloved wife Nancy Reynolds to enjoy all and every part of my personal estate during her Life & that after her decease that all & every part of my estate both real & personal to be Equally divided among my beloved Children having John Bennett of Pennsylvania County and wife Nancy Reynolds of do County & my Beloved wife Nancy Reynolds to Execute this my Last Will & Testament.

Signed in presence of
 Wm M. Francis Esq.

Richard Reynolds -
 mark

At a Court held for Pennsylvania County the 15th day of October 1804. This Last Will and Testament of Richard Reynolds Decedent, was presented in Court and proved by the Oaths of the two Subscribing Witnesses hereto and ordered to be Recorded and on the motion of John Bennett one of the Executors therein named who made Oath according to Law, and together with William Wright and Francis Esq. his Securities entered into and acknowledged their bond in the penalty of five hundred pounds conditioned as the law directs, Certificate is granted him for obtaining a probate of the said Will in due form and leave is granted to John Reynolds and Nancy Reynolds the other Executor in Execution in the said Will named to join the probate thereof when they shall think fit.

Teste Wm. Tinsdale, C. J.

Examined

In the Name of God amen. I William Davis of Pittsylvania County
 & State of Virginia being at this time of sound mind and memory but
 calling to mind the uncertainty of this mortal Transitory life do make
 ordain constitute and appoint this my last will and Testament, revoke
 and do annul also with a Will by me herebefore made & dispose
 of my worldly estate with which it hath pleased God to bestow upon
 me in manner and form following Viz; Item I desire my Body may
 be decently interred in Christian like Burial at the expense of my estate
 and that all my Debts be paid Item I Give unto my Son-in-law
 Lucy Davis during her Life one Hundred acres of Land whereon I now
 live being part of that tract granted by patent to John Graves
 dated the Twenty fifth Day of March one thousand seven Hundred and
 sixty two containing three Hundred and eighty four acres, which said one
 Hundred acres I do Give and bequeath to my Niece Ann Murphy
 Daughter to my Brother John Davis Dec'd to her the said Ann
 Murphy her heirs and assigns forever after the Death of my said
 Sister Lucy Davis Item I Give and bequeath unto the heirs and
 representatives of my said Brother John Davis Dec'd all that Tract
 of Land granted by Patent to John Graves containing three Hundred
 and eighty four acres bearing date the Twenty fifth Day of March one
 thousand seven Hundred and sixty two Excepting the one Hundred acres
 Lint as above to My Sister Lucy Davis during her Life and Give
 to My Niece Ann Murphy and her heirs forever and excepting also four
 acres adjoining the Lands I hereafter Give to the heirs and representatives
 of my Brother George Davis Deceased, which four acres are so situated
 as to be of great use to them and can be of little or no use to the
 heirs and Representatives of John Davis Dec'd Item I Give unto my
 Sister Lucy Davis one other Hundred acres of Land adjoining the
 above mentioned Hundred acres during her Life and being part of
 that tract of Land granted to me by patent containing three
 Hundred and sixty acres bearing date the first Day of August
 one thousand seven Hundred and seventy two Item I Give and bequeath
 unto my sister Lucy Davis all my personal property Goods and
 chattels of every kind whatsoever to her and her heirs forever
 Item I Give and bequeath to James Davis son of John Davis
 five pounds current money Item I Give and bequeath to the heirs
 and representatives of George Davis Deceased all that Tract of
 Land granted to me by patent bearing date the first of
 August one thousand seven Hundred and seventy two containing three
 Hundred and sixty acres provided nevertheless my sister Lucy
 Davis is to have the free use of the Hundred acres of
 said Tract during her Life as above Lint her I also Give and
 bequeath

2

Benjamin
Harris
Will

275- to the Dirs and representatives of my Brother George Davis Deid four
acres of Land lying to part of the Land will'd to the Dirs and representatives
of John Davis Deid and excepted above which may be of great use to
the Dirs and representatives of George Davis Deid and of not much use
to the heirs & representatives of John Davis Deid I do appoint
my sister Lucy Davis Excutrix and my Nephew William Davis son of
George Davis my Excutor of this my Last will and Testament given
under my Hand this 15th Day of December one thousand - Hundred &
Ninety five I desire my estate be not a - pressed -

Sealed & Delivered

in presence of

William Burlew James & Scott his mark

William & Scott his mark Thomas Scott his mark

Levi Burlew his mark

Wm Davis



At a Court held for Pittsylvania County the 15th Day of April 1805 This
Last Will and Testament of William Davis Deceased was presented in Court
and proved by the oaths of William Burlew and Levi Burlew two of the
subscribing Witnesses thereof Ordered that the same be Recorded and on the
motion of William Davis the Excutors their names who made oaths
according to Law and together with Shadrach Boaz and John Murphy
Juries for Securities entered into and acknowledged their Bond in the
Penalty of three thousand Dollars Conditions as the Law directs Certificate
is granted him for obtaining a probate of the said Will in due form and
same is reserved for Lucy Davis the Excutrix therein named to join
in the probate of the said Will when she thinks fit

Teste Wm. Tennant Esq.

Benjamin
Harris
Wife

In the name of God Amen I Benjamin Harris of Pittsylvania County
and State of Virginia being Sane in mind but in a low State of Health, and
knowing the certainty of Death and uncertain of the time it may happen, do this
this day of September in the year of our Lord one Thousand eight hundred and
four make Constitate and Ordain this my last Will and Testament, Revoking all
others previously made what soever, in manner form and Substance follow-
ing to Wit, my body to be entered in a Decent and Christian like manner on the
third day after my Decease, or sooner should I be Offensive in the house.
Secondly I wish all my Just and lawfull Debts to be punctually paid I
do appoint my worthy friend Christopher Conway to proceed immediately
and see so much of my Land Saining William Harris Carter Mitchellburg
and Henry Mitchellburg, as may be sufficient to pay every Just Debt
and from the first money he receives from such Land which he will
sell either publick or private I desire he will first pay my good
friend D. Patton his Bill - Thirdly all my Just Debts being
paid out of my Real Estate the Remainder being clear I desire as

followeth. That my tender Wife have possession of my plantation, Negroes and Stock of all Household and Kitchen furniture of all kinds, during her Natural life or Widowhood, and that she give or lend to the Children as they may may have her what she can spare, and keep a Sufficiency, but in case she marries then my plantation and Negroes to be Rented or hired out, for the home fil of my Children (and I desire that they may be well Schooled) Except a Negro Woman named Sall which I desire she shall keep during life but s^d Negroe Sall and Increase to Return to my Children which I shall devise hereafter, To my Son Schellus Harris I give and bequeath all the land I may be possessed of, after all Just Debts are paid to him and his heirs forever - All my Negroes as also all my other property, except the Negroe lent my Wife, to be equally divided in four parts, one fourth to my Daughter Polly, one fourth to my Daughter Lucy Kemp, one fourth to my son Schellus, and the other fourth to my Daughter Betsey Suler. Harris to them and their heirs forever, and the Negroe lent my Wife before mentioned and Increase, to be equally divided between my three Daughters -

At a Court held for Pittsylvania County the 17th day of June 1805. This Writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Benjamin Harris Deceased was presented in Court, and there being no signature or Subscribing Witnesses. William Beavers and Alexander Brown make Oath that they were well acquainted with the hand Writing of the said Decedent and that they verily believed the said Writing to be his proper hand Writing. Therefore it is Considered by the Court that the said Writing is the last Will and Testament of the said Benjamin Harris Deceased, and do Order that the same be Decreed, and Christopher Conway the Executor in the said Will named, refusing to take upon himself the Burthen of the Execution thereof, On the Motion of Lucy Harris, Widow and Heir of the said Decedent, and Daniel Sutherland, who made Oath according to law, and together with William Wilkinson, and Abner Cheatham their Jurors entered into and Acknowledges their Bonds in the Penalty of Ten Thousand Dollars - for that Purpose Conditioned as the Law directs, Certificate is granted them for Obtaining Letters of Administration on the Estate of the said Decedent with his said Will annexed in due form. Teste Willm. Simms Clk.

Examined

Examined

Joseph Hughes Will

Wasiak Echols Will

In the name of God Amen I Obadiah Echols of the County of Pittsylvania being Weak in body but of Sound disposing Memory & Calling to mind the Mortality of my body do make my last Will & Testament in manner & form following to Wit, In the first place I give & bequeath to my Brother David Echols & his heirs forever, all my Part of my fathers Tract of Land he purchased of John Hubbard & his Wife Reziab, my part Situate & lying on the North Side of Broad River Creek containing thirty three & one third Acres, be the same more or less this Land before mentioned my said Brother David Echols purchased of me for Twenty five pounds Virginia Currency, of which I have recd

Ten pounds, the residue of which consideration I hereby bequeath in consideration of the Trouble my said Brother David has had with me from the twelfth day of August to the twenty third day of January one thousand eight hundred and five. Secondly it is my will & desire that the money due me for the rent of my Land adjoining Daniel, Marshal & Samuel Hubbard's shall be equally divided among my Brothers following to wit, David Echols, Moses Echols, & Joseph Echols, and it is my further desire also that all my lands except what I have given above to my Brother David & his heirs forever shall be sold, and the money arising from the said Sale shall be equally divided among my Brothers and Sisters following to wit, David Echols, Moses Echols, Joseph Echols, Mary Street, Tabitha Lacey & Rhoda Echols & their heirs &c. I do hereby appoint my Brother David Echols my Executor to this my last Will & Testament, hereby revoking & making void any Will or Wills I have made of a date prior to this. In Witness of this my last Will & Testament I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seal this twenty fourth day of January in the year of our Lord Christ one thousand eight hundred and five.

Signed & Sealed as my last
Will & Testament in presence
of
George Giles Benjamin Riddle
Joseph Hatcherson

Obadiah G. Echols Seal

At a Court held for Cuyahoga County the 17th day of June 1808.
This last Will and Testament of Obadiah Echols Deceased was presented in Court and proved by the Oaths of the three Subscribing Witnesses thereto. Wherein that the same be Recorded and on the Motion of David Echols the Executor therein named, who made Oaths according to Law, and together with George Giles and Benjamin Riddle, his Securities entered into and Acknowledged their Bonds in the Penalty of Five Hundred pounds Consideration as the Law directs. Certificate is granted him for Obtaining a Probate of the said Will in due form.

Teste Will Tunstall c^{lerk}

Joseph
Hughes
Will

In the name of God Amen I Joseph Hughes being in firm and weak in body but of sound mind and Memory and calling to mind the certainty of Death do make Constitutable and declare this to be my last Will and Testament, and first I bequeath my Soul to God, who gave it, and my body to the dust. Secondly it is my Will and desire that all my Just Debts be paid and Satisfied. Third I leave to my well beloved Wife Phoeby my lands and plantation whereon now I live, my stock and Household furniture during her life time, and after the Death of my Wife the lands I leave to my Daughter Mary White, her life time, and after her death I give and bequeath the said Lands to my Grandson Reason B. White, and to his heirs forever, and if s^d Grandson Reason B. White should Deceased without any heir, then it is my Will and desire that William A. White be peaceably possessed with the Lands and his heirs forever - and it is my Will and desire that after the Death of my Wife that my Grandson William A. White be peaceably possessed with all my personal property to have

278

and his heirs forever. I Give and bequeath to my Daughter
Susannah Shaw five Shillings Sterling to her and her heirs forever
and do by these presents appoint Constituted and certain Reasons D.
White and Mary White to Execute this my last Will and Testament
Given under my hand and Seal this twentieth third day of August 1799.

Witnesses present

Benja^r. Fadenace

John Wilson James Nelson

Robert Wright

Joseph Hughes Test

At a Court held for Pittsylvania County the 17th day of June 1805
The annexed last Will and Testament of Joseph Hughes Deceased, was
presented in Court and proved by the Oaths of Robert Wright, and the
Affirmation of John Wilson, two of the Subscribing Witnesses thereto,
Ordered that the same be Recorded, and on the Motion of Reason
B. White one of the Executors therein named, who made oath according
to law, and with Richard P. Wright his Security entered into and acknowl-
ged their Bond in the penalty of Five Hundred pounds conditioned as the
law directs, Certificate is granted him for obtaining a probate of the said
Will in due form, and leave is reserved to Mary White the Executrix
therein named to Join in the probate of the said Will when she may
think fit.

Teste Will Tunstall Jp^c

Examined

In the Name of God amen, I Simon Rowland of
Pittsylvania County and State of Virginia being in perfect health of
body and mind and sound memory, do make and ordain this my last
Will and Testament as follows To Wit, I Impreses I Give and bequeath
to my beloved Wife Elizabeth Rowland all my estate Estate and
of her life, and after my Wife's Death I Give the residue of my
Estate to my son Nathan Rowland, that is what remain in Lawful
support of my Wife, I request and Direct my beloved Wife and my son
Nathan Rowland to be Executors of this my last Will and Testament
and do hereby make and Devise and every former Will or Wills
by me made, and do Revoke, and ordain this and this only to be my last
Will and Testament signed with my hand and sealed with my seal
this Twenty fourth Day of March 1796 - his
signed sealed with my seal Simon X Rowland
and delivered in the presence of

Witness

Thomas Vaughan Molly Turner Vaughan
Willm^r Fox Edm^r Tunstall

At a Court held for Pittsylvania County the 16th Day of September
1805. The last Will and Testament of Simon Rowland Deceased was
Presented in Court and proved by the oaths of three of the subscribing
Witnesses thereto and ordered to be Recorded, and on the motion of Nathan
Rowland the Executor therein named who made oath according to law
and together with Edmund Tunstall his Security entered into and acknowl-

Record

Examined

279

acknowledged their bond in the Penalty, of five Hundred Dollars Considered as the law directs, Certificate is granted him for obtaining a writ of Habeas Corpus of the said Vice in due form, and liberty is reserved the Executive in the said Vice named to join in the writ when she shall think fit.

Fals Will Simball Sept,

In the Name of God amen, I Charles Lewis of Alleghania County, being
present in tolerable Good health, and of sound mind and disposing memory do think
proper to make and Ordain, this my Last Will and Testament in manner,
following Viz first, I Give and bequeath, to my son Charles, one Negro man
Sam, and one feather bed, to him & to his heirs and assigns forever, Item I Give
& bequeath to my son Zachariah, and to his heirs & assigns heirs one Negro
man Named Epi, & one feather bed I also lend to my said son Zachariah my
Negro Girl Delfpha, with her future increase, and at the Decease of my said
son Zachariah, I then Give my said Negro Delfpha, and increase, to be equally
Divided amongst his children, Lawfully begotten Item I Give & bequeath to
my son Edward and to his heirs and assigns forever, one Negro Woman
Phillis, with her future increase, and one feather bed Item I lend to my son
James during his Natural life, one Negro Woman Dinah, and a Negro
Boy Ransom, with their future increase, and one feather bed and at the
Decease of my son James, I then Give my said Negroes & increase
(as lent to him) to be Equally Divided, between his children Lawfully
begotten, Item I lend to my son John during his Natural life, one
Negro Boy Ben and a Negro Girl Frankie with her future increase,
and one feather bed, and after my son John's Decease, I then Give the
said Negroes, Ben & Frankie & increase, to be Equally Divided amongst
his children Lawfully begotten, Item I Give & bequeath to my son William
and to his heirs and assigns forever, my Negro man Roger, my Negro woman
Anna, my Negro Girl Betty and Jimmy, with their future increase,
also two feather beds & furniture like those all my Tract of Land, I now
live on, ~~except~~ to be near three Hundred acres excepting one acre
round the Grave yard or Burying Place, which I reserve for a Burying
Ground, together with the Plantation and all its appurtenances thereto
belonging, also all my Household & Kitchen furniture, my Plantation
utensils & with my stock of Horses, Cattle & sheep & Dogs, Item I Give
to my Daughter Mary Keatts one Negro man James, and one feather
bed, to her and her heirs forever, Item I lend to my Daughter
Lucy, Clement, one Negro Woman Lucy, with her future increase
and at the Death of my said Daughter I then Give the said Negro
Lucy & future increase to be Equally Divided between all my said
Daughter Lucys children, my Will and Desire is that my son
William may and is hereby Compell'd to pay all my Just Debts
out of what I Give him also my Desire is that my Estate may

not be appraised, now my Executor, I am pelted to give to my said Executor, as Executor to my Estate as the whole is alloted off, I do hereby Ordain, constitute and appoint my said son William my whole and sole Executor to this my last Will and Testament, Disannulling, rescinding and making Void all other Will or Wills heretofore by me made, In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and affixed my seal this 30th Day of March 1802.

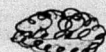
signed sealed & acknowledged

in Presence of

Vincent Chilton William

Shelton Henry B Chilton

Charles Lewis



At a Court held for Pittsylvania County the 19th Day of October 1800. The said Charles Lewis a Testament of Charles Lewis &c. &c. was presented in Court, and Obedient by the oaths of two of the Subscribing Witnesses, Charles Lewis that the same was his last Will and Testament, and on the motion of William Chilton, the Executor therein named there being so legally required, say the said Will, who makes oath according to Law, that he is granted him for obtaining a Probate thereof in due form -

Teste Wm Chilton Esq, C.

Wm Tucker's Will

In the Name of God, amen February 26th 1800, I William Tucker, of Pittsylvania County in the State of Virginia being in perfect Health and memory, thanks be to God therefore calling to mind the mortality of the body, and knowing that it will, appointed for all men to die, do make constitute and ordain, this my last Will and Testament that is to say Principally and first of all I recommend my soul into the Hands of God who gave it, and as for my body I recommend it to the earth to be buried in a Christian like manner, at the Discretion of my Executors hereafter mentioned and as touching such worldly Goods wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me with, in this life, I give and devise in the following manner, to wit first that all my just debts and funeral charges be paid and satisfied - Then I do give unto my wife, Susanna Tucker all that I possess during her natural life, then I give unto Jellia Haynes the bed that my wife and her mother lay upon, then I give unto my son Robert Tucker one silver Dollar, then I give unto my Daughter Mary Dow, one silver Dollar, then I give unto my Daughter William Williams one Negro Woman named Delphia, one likely horse and colt or Pigg with calf also one Negro girl named Lilla to John Williams son of Wiley Williams to be at his disposal from this day then I give to my son Daniel, Tucker all the lands that I possess after his mothers Death also I give unto my son Daniel one Negro Boy named Mountains, during his life, also all of my

Examined

Wm Chilton Esq, C.

281 - my stock of Horses leaves & Hogs sheep, also one Bed, and furniture now
 valued his also one half of, all my household and kitchen furniture Except
 bed, I then I give to my Daughter Susanna, Tucker, the Negro Bountian
 after my son Daniel Death, and if it should be so that Daniel is the longest
 living, then said Negro to be at his disposal, also I leave to Susanna, my
 Negro boy Isaac, during his unmarried life, also to Susanna and her
 and the other half of all my household and kitchen furniture I then
 I give to my Grand Daughter Elizabeth Tucker, the Negro Boy Sam
 after her mother Susanna marriage or Death to be at her disposal,
 then I also appoint and ordain Colo William Clark, Amelias Shellow
 Tho Byrne, my Executors of this my last, Will and Testament
 Witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and Seal this Day
 and year above Written

signed sealed and Delivered
 in the Presence of

William Tucker (Seal)
 1800

Thomas B Jones Wm Barnes
 Gabriel Shellow Stephen Shellow
 Griffiths De Kinson

At B. August fourth one thousand eight hundred and two, I have this Day
 also given unto my beloved son Daniel Tucker my Negro Boy named
 David the last child of my Negro woman, Lulphay, this day, in the
 Presence of

William Byrne J. V.

his
 William T. Tucker
 marks

William Byrne Jun Stephen

Shellow Ringa Shellow Tho B Jones

At a Court held for Pittsylvania County the 21st Day of October 1805
 The within last Will and Testament of William Tucker deceased
 was presented in Court and proved by the oaths of three
 Subscribing Witnesses thereto Ordered that the same be Recorded

Examined

In The Name of God, amen, I William Waller, of the County of
 Lunenburg, being very sick and weak in body, but of perfect mind and
 memory do which I desire to Praise God, but calling to mind the
 mortality of my body do make my last Will and Testament my body I
 resign to the earth to be buried in a decent manner, at the discretion
 of my Executors and my soul into the Hands of God that Gave it
 I do touching my worldly Estate I dispose of the same in the following
 manner & form Viz Impres my Will and desire is that all my

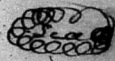
my last Debt be Paid by my Executors Men, I bind to my beloved wife
Jane Waller, all my Estate both real & Personal, during her life-
hood & no longer, if my beloved wife Jane Waller should die any that,
then in that case, I bind to my beloved Wife Jane Waller, my two
Negro's, Viz Frank and Peter during her Natural life but if my
Negro should have any increase, to Wm. Franks, my Will ordered
is that my beloved Wife should have the use of my said Negro-
Franks Increase, during her Widowhood & no longer, then the
whole of my Estate both real & Personal I give to be Equally divided
Between my six children Viz, Mary, Daniel, Christopher, James,
Tabetha & Sarah, & should my beloved wife be Pregnant, my further
Will & Desire is that, child if it survives should have an Equal
Part of my whole Estate with the rest of my children as above
Directed to be Poss'd by my said children, when my youngest
child arrives to lawful age, to be Poss'd by them their heirs
forever, then my Will & Desire is that the two Negroes, but my
Wife, Viz Frank, and Peter after her Death, be Equally divided
Between above named children their heirs & Provided none-
theless that if my Executors hereafter named, should see cause
to lease or give a Part of my Estate to my children as they
arrive to lawful age or marry, that they shall so each & every have
a Part of my Estate as shall be ^{conveniently} ~~spare~~ accordingly I Will that
nothing herein contained be misconstrued for want of Form or forever
Law, and I do hereby utterly disavow revoke and annul all &
every other former Testaments heretofore by me made hereby I
constitute & appoint my friends, Daniel Gunn, Hampton Waller &
John Morgan, Executors of this my last Will & Testament,
as Witness my Hand and seal, this Eleventh Day of February 1797
Signed sealed & Delivered {
in Presence of. William Waller (Seal)

William White Salt Hardy
Sarah Booker Gunn, Richard
Burnall

At a Court held for Pittsylvania County the 15th Day of July 1805 —
The within Last Will and Testament of William Waller Deceased was
Presented in Court, and Proved by the oath of one of the subscribing
Witnesses thereof and at another Court held for the said County the 21st
Day of October in the year aforesaid the same was again Presented in Court
and further Proved by the oath of Seth Standey one other of the subscribing
Witnesses thereof and that the same be Reversed — And at another
Court held for the said County the 15th Day of June 1807. The same was again
Presented in Court, and the Executors therein named, not being Inhabitants of this County
and failing to appear and take upon themselves the Burthen of the Executors thereof,
On the Motion of Sam^l Waller Widow and Heir of the said Deceased, Chas^l Bond
who made Oath Waits according to Law, and together with Edward Statelat, Thomas B.
Jones, and Charles Keatts her Securities entered into and acknowledged their Bond
in the Penalty of Fifteen Hundred pounds, for that purpose conditioned as the
Law directs, Certificate is granted her for obtaining Letters of Administration
on said Decedent's estate with his said Will annexed in due Form —
Teste Wm^l Tinsdale, C. C.

283 - In the Name of God amen, I Charles Williams of the Parish of
Leamler County Pennsylvania being sick & weak, in body but of sound mind
do make & ordain, this my last Will & Testament, in the
following manner, to wit I Give my soul unto the Hands of almighty
God, my redeemer, hoping thro his merits to receive eternal Life
free Pardon for all my sins, & my body to be decently buried, at the discretion
of my Executors hereafter mentioned, I Give & bequeath unto my well
beloved Wife Sally Williams all the Land & Premises wherein I now
Live together with a Tract of Land adjoining the same I Give & bequeath
unto John Wilson, also the following Negroes, to wit I Give & bequeath
unto Dick & young Dick, old Sarah & young Sarah, Sam Jacob Phoebe Gabriel
Abigail George Judy Ben & Peggy & all my Stock of Horses Cattle Sheep Pigs
& all my house hold & Kitchen Furniture & Plantations utensils except such
things as I shall hereafter Give my Daughter Nancy Williams & after the
Death of my said Wife, all the Personal Estate to be Equally Divided
amongst my poor children hereafter mentioned I Give & bequeath
unto my son Ben Williams & his heirs forever, the following Negroes to wit
Cambridge Beck & Esther, one Horse & saddle, one cow & calf, one feather bed
& Furniture together with the increase thereof, I Give & bequeath unto my
son Charles Williams & his heirs forever the following Negroes to wit Fred &
young Volney & beto, one Horse & saddle, one cow & calf, a feather bed &
Furniture & also all the Land & Premises Willed my said Wife after her death
with the increase of said Negroes &c. I Give & bequeath unto my Daughter
Susannah Crouch, wife of John Crouch to her & her heirs of her body & heirs
the following Negroes to wit Volney & Joe, one Horse & saddle, one cow
& calf, one feather bed & Furniture & the increase thereof, I Give & bequeath
unto my Daughter Nancy Williams the following Negroes to
wit Jimmy Sam & Delcy, one Horse & saddle, one cow & calf, & one feather
bed & Furniture together with the increase thereof to her & the lawful
heirs of her body forever, I Give & bequeath unto my Grand Daughter
Polly Williams Crouch, one Negro Girl named Bette, together with the
Increase thereof to her & her heirs forever & lastly I do hereby appoint
my beloved Wife Sally Williams & my son Charles Williams & Geo
Adams, the whole & sole Executors of this my last Will & Testament
revoking & annulling all other Wills made by me, In Witness whereof
I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 29th Day of January 1801
Westrup, Penna.

William Moore William Russell
Seal & Stone

Charles Williams, 

At a Court held for Pennsylvania County this 21st Day of October 1805
This last Will and Testament of Charles Williams Deceased, was Presented in
Court, and Proved by the oath of William Moore, one of the subscribing
Witnesses, and William Russell and Levi Stone the other

other subscribers, *Wilmers Threlk*, having remained from this State, *George Adams* made oath that, he saw & heard the Testator Publish and declare the said Will as and for his last Will and Testament, and the said absent *Wilmers* subscribed the same in his Presence, Ordered that the same be Recorded, and on the motion of *Sally Williams* and *Charles Williams* the Executors thereof their Names (and *George Adams* the other Executor thereof) being called, respinding to take upon himself the Further of the Execution thereof, who made oath according to Law, and together with *William Ware*, and *William Harrison* their securities entered into and acknowledged their Bond, in the Penalty of Ten thousand Dollars, Conditioned as the said Deeds Certificate is granted them for obtaining a probate of the said Will in due form,

Teste *Will Tunstall* Esq. C.

In the Name of God amen, I *Thomas Fearn* of the County of the Harris Pittsylvania, & State of Virginia being weak in body, but of sound disposing mind & memory, & knowing that Death as a certain Fatality awaits all men, & conceiving it proper, to make a Disposition of what worldly Estate I have been blessed with, I do hereby make, & Publish, this my last Will & Testament in form & manner following, to Wit, In Pursuance, I desire, my body to be decently Interred at the Discretion of my Executors ^{hereafter} named, as to the regards my worldly Estate, I dispose of it the following manner, *Viz*, In Pursuance I leave to my Wife *Mary Fearn*, one third part of my Estate during her natural life or Widowhood, Item I desire that the remaining two thirds of my real Estate be Equally divided, by my five Sons, *John Thomas*, *Robert*, *George* & *Richard Fearn*, as Tenants in Common, to them their heirs & assigns forever, giving them the Liberty of Leasing the said property in any manner, they may think proper, Item in case of the death or intermarriage of my said Wife *Mary Fearn*, my Will stands in that ^{the} one third part of my real property which has been Willed to her on those contingencies, shall be Equally divided among my said five Sons *John Thomas*, *Robert*, *George* & *Richard* on the same Terms as the balance of the real Estate before devised to them, Item I leave to my Daughter *Leannah Lee Payne* the following Negro Slaves to Wit, *William* (or *Buck*), *James Diley* & three of her Children *Viz*, *Fanny*, *Milly* & *Joe*, during her life, & at her Decease, the said Negro Slaves are to descend to her said Daughter hers, to be Equally divided, between them, to hold the said property them their heirs & assigns forever, Item I give to my Wife *Mary Fearn*, during her Natural life, or Widowhood, the following Negro Slaves, *Viz*, *Charles Pompey*, & *Agga* & *Charles*'s three Children by *Pallas*, *Viz*, *Mary Isaac* & *Sam*, ^{and} in case of her Death or intermarriage It is my Desire that the said Negro Slaves be Equally divided between my Sons *John Thomas*, *Robert*, *George* and *Richard Fearn* my Daughter *Leannah*

Polly Fearn, the heir or issue of my Daughter Leannah Lee Payne, that is
 one seventh part to each of the aforesaid Legacies, Then I Give & bequeath
 to my Daughter Polly Fearn, the following Negro Slaves Viz, Patty &
 her two Children, & Willey & John, Jim M'Ginnny & her Child since
 to her heirs & assigns forever, Then it is my Desire that the remaining
 Slaves Viz, Pallace, Daniel, Sall, Sylvia, Will, Joe Peter, Mrs Hannah,
 Tom Nab, & Peter, & Jim, who are the children of Delany be equally
 Divided between my sons John Thomas, Robert & George & Richard to
 them their heirs & assigns forever, Then I desire that the remaining parts
 of my Personal Estate consisting of Household Furniture & Stock be
 sold by my Executors on a reasonable Credit, & the proceeds thereof
 Equally Divided among my Children John Thomas Robert & George
 Richard & Polly Fearn, & one seventh part to the Lawful issue of
 my Daughter Leannah Lee Payne, Then I desire, that after the
 Payment of all my Just Debt the Surplus of the monies remaining
 from Debt due me at my Decease shall when collected remain in
 the hands of my Executors for the purpose of Educating my children
 & after this purpose is accomplished, should ^{surplus} ~~the~~ remain my heirs,
 is that, that Surplus, be Equally Divided Between my Children John
 Thomas Robert George Richard & Polly Fearn & one seventh part as
 aforesaid to my Daughter Leannah Lee Payne's Lawful Issue, Lastly I
 appoint my beloved Wife, Mary Fearn, Executor my son John Fearn &
 my friends Dudley Galtwood & James D Patton Executors of this my last
 Will & Testament hereby revoking all former Wills by me made &
 Publishing this as my only true one, Witness my hand & seal this
 Twentieth eighth Day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand
 eight Hundred & five

Thos Fearn (Seal)

signed sealed & Published
 in presence of

Clarke, Dudley Galtwood,
 James D Patton Joseph ^{his or} Ferguson ^{marks}

At a Court held for Pittsylvania County the 16th Day of December 1805. This
 Last Will and Testament of Thomas Fearn Deceased, was presented in Court,
 by Mary Fearn the Executive and James D Patton one of the Executors
 therein named and proved by the oaths of William Clark and Joseph
 Ferguson two of the subscribing Witnesses thereto and Ordered to be Recorded
 and it appearing to the Court from the oaths of the said William Clark
 and Joseph Ferguson, that Dudley Galtwood one of the Executors named

named in the said Will, request to take upon himself the trusteeship of the
 Execution thereof, and John Fearn the other Executor therein named
 being Dead, On motion of said Mary Fearn and James D.
 Talbot, who made oaths according to Law and together with
 William Beavers, William Astin, James Soyars, William Clarke
 and Thomas Stuart, their securities entered into and acknowledged their
 Bond, in the penalty of Fifty thousand Dollars conditioned as the
 said Court veridically is granted them for obtaining a probate
 of the said Will in due form,
 Teste Will Timball Esq.

In the name of God amen, I Preston Gilbert, of the County of
 Pittsylvania being weak & sick of body but in my perfect memory,
 and being to mind the uncertainty ^{of this life} and the certainty of death do
 make this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form
 following that is to say First I commend my soul to God who gave
 it and my body to the the dust from whence it came, to be
 buried in a Christian like manner, at the Discretion of my
 Executors hereafter mentioned: and as touching such worldly
 Goods as it hath pleased, God to lend me, I do Dispose of in
 manner and form following, First it is my Will and Desire that
 all my Just Debt and General Charges be faithfully discharged
 as soon as possible after my Decese, Then I lend unto my
 beloved Wife, Semicks Gilbert one Negro man named Lewis one
 Negro man named Ben, two Negro Women, Dinah & Rachel,
 two Negro Boys Jack & Isaac, also I give, my beloved Wife one
 Negro Girl named, Polly Garrison, to do as she may think proper
 with, also I lend to my Wife the use of all my Lands and houses
 within the bounds hereafter mentioned, Beginning on Stanton river,
 at the mouth of my mill Branch, thence up the said Branch
 to the head then straight from thence to the head of Beaver branch
 then down the said Branch to Stanton River, then up the said
 River to the Beginning, also the use of all my Stock of every
 kind all my household and Kitchen furniture and all my plantation
 utensils Except such as shall be hereafter mentioned it is also my
 Will and Desire that my said Wife shall have the use of
 all my Slaves until my Legatee shall come of age It is also
 my Will that my said Wife as a compensation for the use of
 my said Estate that she shall keep board school and maintain
 all my Children until the come of age at her own expence,
 all which Estate she is to keep during her life, unless she may
 think proper to give it up Then I Give and bequeath unto my
 beloved Daughter Mary Edd, one Negro Boy named Tom
 one Negro Boy named Jack which she is to receive at the

Death of my Wife, one feather Bed Furniture, one mare and saddle,
 one cow & calf; which said property she has had in possession some
 time which said articles with all their increase, I do give to my
 said Daughter her heirs and assigns forever, I then give and
 bequeath unto my beloved son John Gilbert one certain Tract or parcel
 of Land it being a part of the Tract whereon I now live beginning
 on Stanwix road, just below the mouth of the big Pond beginning on a
 Locust on the river bank, and marked as the beginning tree at my
 request by Enock Ogden, and Joseph Wayne in my upper field
 thence running a straight line across the said field to the head of
 a little branch, which runs through the said field thence a
 straight line to the mill Branch, about one hundred yards
 below the head of the said mill Branch, thence up the branch
 to the head, thence a straight line to Wells corner thence along
 Wells line to Hamlets Branch and to include all the lands
 which I have above the said line, including the mill, also one
 Negro Boy named Bob, one feather bed & Furniture one cow & calf
 one grey Horse, which said articles he now has in his own possession
 which said property with all their increase, I give unto my said son
 his heirs & assigns forever, I then give and bequeath unto my beloved
 Daughter Susan Dodge, one Negro Boy, named Micajah one Negro
 Girl named Tenny one feather bed & Furniture one cow & calf one
 sorrel mare, one saddle & Bridle, which said Property with all
 their increase, I give unto my said Daughter her heirs & assigns
 forever, I then give and bequeath unto my beloved son George
 Gilbert, all the residue of my Lands lying in Pennsylvania except
 that part which I have bequeathed to my son John Gilbert also one
 Negro Boy named Charles, one Horse saddle & Bridle, one cow
 & calf, one feather bed & Furniture which said articles with all
 their increase, I give unto my said son his heirs & assigns forever,
 I then give and bequeath unto my beloved Daughter Peter Ruston
 Sorugg, one Negro Boy named Isaac, one Negro Girl named Esther
 one mare, called Tive, one side saddle and Bridle, one feather bed & Furniture
 one cow & calf, one these conditions only that is to say if the my
 said Daughter dies without children then in that case the above
 Property is to return to my children and to be Equally Divided among
 them and it is my Will & desire also that, the Negro Boy Isaac
 above mentioned shall continue in my Estate during my wifes life

288
 and at another Court holden for said on the 19th Day of February 1821. On the motion of George Gilbert one of the exec-
 utors named in the said will, who made oath that he is the said George Gilbert, and with him for himself and for the said
 into and acknowledging their hands in the presence of his Honor the Justice of the Peace, who was present, and
 obtaining probate of the said will in due form.

I desire that the above Estate which I
 intend for my said Daughter shall return to my children unless she
 has living children, then I give and bequeath unto my beloved
 Daughter, Catharine Gilbert one Negro Boy named, Billy one
 Negro Girl named Alice, one feather bed & furniture one cow & sheep
 one Horse, saddle & Bridle that shall be worth one hundred
 Dollars, which said property I do give to my said Daughter her
 heirs & assigns forever, then I give and bequeath unto my beloved
 daughter Nancy Gilbert one Negro Boy named Jesse one
 Negro Girl named Fanny, one feather bed & furniture one
 cow & sheep, one Horse saddle and Bridle that shall be
 worth one Hundred Dollars, which said property with all
 their increase I do give unto my said Daughter her heirs
 assigns forever, then I give and bequeath unto my ^{beloved} Daughter
 Locky Gilbert one Negro Boy named Guye . . . one Negro Girl
 named Phely, one feather bed & furniture one cow & sheep one
 Horse saddle & Bridle that shall be worth one Hundred
 Dollars, which said Property with all their increase I do
 give unto my said Daughter her heirs & assigns forever,
 It is my Will and desire should any of my children depart this life,
 before they come of age, or without issue then in that case all
 and every part, and article bequeathed them to return Back in my
 Estate and be Equally Divided Between my children then
 living or their legal representatives it is also my Will and desire
 that at the Death of my Wife that all the residue of my
 Estate be Equally Divided between all my children or
 their legal representatives It is also my Will and Desire that if
 any of my slaves given to my children die before my said
 children come of age or receives them then in that case
 It is my Will and Desire, that such children should have
 a Negro out of my Estate if any then be raised, by the means
 of my said Negroes and if not raised then in that case they
 are to have one made up to them out of my Estate of the
 Value of them now given them that is to say of Equal Value
 to one as the base may be and Lastly I constitute and appoint
 my beloved wife Jenniah Gilbert Executors my son John Gilbert
 and George Gilbert Executors of this my Last Will & Testament
 and hereby make null and Void all Wills by me heretofore
 made

Will Imaged etc

Abraham
 Campbell's
 Will

made. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal
this 30 Day of August, 1805 -
signed & acknowledged
in presence of us.

Riston Gilbert

Thomas Leach, David Hamrick,
John Seague.

At a Court held for Pittsylvania County the 16th Day of December,
1805 This Last Will and Testament of Riston Gilbert Deceased was
presented in Court, and proved by the oaths of the three subscribing Witnesses
thereunto ordered that the same be Recorded, and George Gilbert one of the
Executors therein named, refusing to take upon himself the burden of
the Execution thereof On the motion of John Gilbert the other
Executor therein named, who made oath according to Law, and together
with Thomas Leach George Gilbert and Drury Scruggs his Securities -
Entered into and acknowledged their bond in the penalty of fifty thousand
Dollars conditioned as the Law Directs to be granted him
for obtaining a probate of the said Will in due form and he is
received the Execution ^{therein named} of said Will in the Probate at another Day.

First Will Testate left.

Abraham
Campbell's
Will...

In the Name of God, amen, I Abraham Campbell of Pittsylvania
County, being Weak in body, but of sound mind & Memory, do make my Last
Will and Testament in manner and form following, to wit, In the first
place, I give and bequeath to my son Richard Campbell and his heirs
forever, the old plantation whereon I now live, also all that part of
my said Tract, of Land, situate and lying, on the East side of the
Road, that leads to the Court house of this County, the nearest road
to which I live, Secondly, it is my Will and Desire, that all the residue
of Land and also all my personal Estate shall be sold on a reasonable
Credit for the best price that can be obtained and it is my further
Will & Desire, that the money arising from the said sale, shall be
Equally Divided among my Daughters as follows to wit, Agga Adams
Nelly Kerby Anna Thomas Franky Watson, Patsy Campbell
Sally Richards Lucy Worsham, Delboly Worsham, Thersy, I give
to my son Henry Campbell one shilling I hereby appoint my two
Sons Law Nathan Adams, and Francis Worsham, Executors of
this my Last Will and Testament. Truly revoking and annulling
all Wills, I may have made of a Date or Dates prior to this publishing
of the within as my Last Will and Testament. I Abraham Campbell do
have

have, hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal, this Ninth Day of May in the year of our Lord 1806, One thousand Eight hundred and five signed and sealed

Abraham Campbell

in presence of
Jonathan Carter, William Kirtley,
Richard Elliot, John Long

At a Court held for Pittsylvania County the 20th Day of January 1806 the within Last Will and Testament of Abraham Campbell Deceased was presented in Court, and sworn by the oaths of two of the subscribing Witnesses and ordered to be Recorded, And on the motion of Nathaniel Adams and Francis Corsham the Executors therein named who made oaths according to Law and together with John Adams (son of Nathan Deceased) their Secretary Entered into and acknowledged their Bond in the penalty of Five hundred pounds conditioned as the said Deceased Certificate is granted them for obtaining a probate of the said Will in due form

Teste Will Tinsell Clerk

Samuel
State
Will

I Samuel State of Pittsylvania County being weak in body and coming to mind the uncertainty of this mortal life and willing to settle my Estate, comes While my mind is clear, hath thought proper to dispose of all my Worldly Goods, in manner and form as follows to wit my Will and Desire is that my beloved Wife Mary should possess and enjoy the house, and plantation whereon I now live, together with one Hundred acres of Land during her life, also one of the best and fittest of them I give unto my son John State, One hundred acres of Land beginning at the West corner, running East, as far as to take in the plantation where he formerly lived so as to make the One hundred acres and no more It is to be understood that the Land is all he is to possess of my Estate as he has had his part, therefore I give unto my son Samuel State thirty three pounds, ten shillings and six pence out of my Estate, I give to my son William State five shillings together with that he has heretofore had and no more, I give to my son Abram, State the Land whereon he now lives containing One hundred acres and no more of my Estate I give to my son Francis State the hundred acres of Land, whereon he now lives and no more of my Estate I give to my son John State One hundred & six acres of Land, out of the same Service that my son John has his Land, I give my son John after his mother dies the Land, at which he is to be considered that this Land is for a compensation to him for taking care of his mother I give to my five Daughters Mary Anne Mary Susan, Elizabeth, the fifty acres of Land, whereon my son William formerly lived all the remainder of my Estate not mentioned in this will, I wish to be sold and after paying my Debts, and thirty three pounds

Saml. Slab 

At a Court held for Pennsylvania County the 20th Day of January 1806 -
The within Last Will and Testament, of Samuel State Decedent was presented
in Court, and by the oaths of the three subscribing Witnesses there
and Ordered to be Recorded And at another Court held for the said
County the 27th Day of February in the year aforesaid The same was again presented
in Court and in the motion of Gardner Mayr, one of the Executors
therein named who made oath according to Law; and together with
Rawley White, and Isbarn State his securities entered into and acknow-
ledged their Bond in the sum of Two Thousand Dollars Conditioned as the
Law Directs Certificate is granted him for obtaining a probate of the
said Will in due form and Devise reserved for the other Executor in
the said Will named to join in the probate when he shall think
fit.

of 15
Fishes

Miss Timstall left

Richard Northwell do hereby certify that I Richard Thurnand being in perfect mind and
 Thurnand's memory do make and declare this my last Will and Testament that is to say
 (Witness my hand and seal of full age and reason) I give and recommend my sole into the

I give and first of all I Give and recommend my soul into the
 hands of almighty God who gave it and my body I recommend to the
 earth to be buried at the Discretion of my friends and as touching such
 worldly Estate wherewith that pleased God to bless me with in this life
 I Give Revied and Dispose in the following manner and form. First of all
 I Give to my Daughter Easy Breuer a certain piece of land lying at the
 mouth of the Panther branch, running up the Creek to the first branch then
 up the Branch to the Head then a straight line up to the road from thence
 along the road to the said Panther branch thence down the Branch to the
 mouth, Secondly, I Give to my Daughter Elisabeth Thurman and to
 my Daughter Polly Thurman fifty acres of Land to be equally divided
 between them, laying in between the Head of Cakes branch and the Timbered
 fork, Thirdly, I Give to my Daughter Rachel Pove a certain
 piece of Land beginning at the mouth of the Timbered fork and
 running up the middle branch crossing as the line runs round to John
 Edwards line then along Edwards line to the corner Tree then along the line
 to the head of the Timbered fork then down the Timbered fork to
 the Beginning fourthly I Give to my son Sabam Thurman all

the ballance of my land and my Negro Fellow Bob and a cerry shok horses
 Lewis Dogs sheep, &c. I give to my Daughter Agnes Barrell Twenty shillings
 shoring, &c. I give to my Daughter Susannah Moulton Twenty shillings shoring
 Seventhly I give to my Daughter Anna Coff Twenty shillings shoring
 Eighthly I give to my son William Thurman Twenty shillings shoring
 Ninthly I give to my Daughter Rhoda Bow Twenty shillings shoring
 Tenthly I give to my Daughter Francis Weston Twenty shillings shoring
 Eleventhly I give to my Daughter Sally Coff Twenty shillings shoring
 I also appoint my son Eaban Thurman, and Nathaniel Bow and Thomas
 Brown my Executors to this my last Will and Testament, as Witness
 my Hand and seal this fiftenth Day of August on thouran eight
 Hundred and three

Richard Thurman his
 in presence of his & her
 Elyche Parson & Thomas Coff
 Eaban Farmer mark mark

At a Court held for Ciltaywania County the 21st day of April
 1806. The within Last Will and Testament of Richard Thurman deceased
 was presented in Court and proved by the oath of two of the subscribing
 Witnesses thereto and Ordered to be Recorded and on the motion
 of Nathaniel Thurman and Nathaniel Bow executors thereof named
 who made oaths according to Law, and together with Edmund Trustall James
 Brown, and Joseph Abay, their securities entered into and acknowledged
 their bond in the penalty of Three thousand Dollars conditioned as
 the Law directs for duplicate is granted them for obtaining a probate
 of the said Will in due form and Liberty is reserved for the Executor
 to join in the probate when he shall think fit.

In the name of God Amen, I George Davidson of the County of
 Pennsylvania being Very sick and Weak in Health, but of perfect mind
 and memory, calling unto mind the uncertainty of Human life do
 make and Ordain, this my last Will and Testament, and as touching
 such worldly Estate wherewith it has pleased God to bless me in this
 life I give, devise and Dispose of the same in the manner following.
 First I give and bequeath unto my Dear & beloved Wife Sarah
 Davidson for and during the period of her Natural life all that tract
 or parcel of land, situate in the said County of Pennsylvania commonly
 known by the name of, Strawberry, the same being composed of three
 several surveys of which the quantity will more fully appear by
 Reference to the Deed, or deeds for the same on record in the office
 of the Court of the County aforesaid, of which said tract or parcel of
 land and all and singular the premises, the annual profits and emoluments
 thereof she and her heirs and assigns may enjoy during the period of her
 Natural life and for and during such period such land and premises as
 aforesaid she may lease or otherwise apply as she may see most
 meet, convenient, and whereas I have various outstanding debts, as more fully
 will appear unto my Executors by reference to my Books of accounts
 and

293 - and the specialties for money lent, which ^{will} be collected, it is my Will that they shall
be collected by my Executors in such manner as shall appear most prudent, unto
them, and at as early a date as possible and that after the Discharge of all
my Just Debts, the residue or balance, which shall remain shall be appropriat-
ed in manner and form following, as the collections are made, of my said
Out standing Debts, the surplus or balance beyond what is requisite for the discharge
of my said debts, shall by my Executors be applied to the purchase of stocks
or shares of the bank of Virginia or that of the United States, as to them may
appear, most prudent and profitable, and in this manner they shall proceed -
until the whole sums now due unto me, and to be collected are thus applied the
Net Annual Dividend, Profit or Proceed derivable from all which or such part,
as may be so appropriated, and such annual Interest, also or Profit as may derive
from any uncollected part or portion thereof, yet unappropriated as above shall
accrue and be annually, paid unto my said Wife Sarah, for and during the
Period of her Natural life, but is hereby declared and understood that the
Land, aforesaid and premises as above bequeathed and the principal deriving
from the collections as aforesaid of my Out standing Debts, or the Balance
remaining after the payment of my Just Debts shall in no instance in
whole or in part, be appropriable or Taxable, but to the extent specified
by my said Wife by any individual, in her behalf, or by any person or
Persons whatsoever but that they shall remain and constitute a stable
Fund, which subsequent to, or from the Date of Death, of my said Wife
shall be Devoted for the purpose hereafter specified - Deeply impressed
with the High importance of Education, to youth - Not merely that high expansion
of the Intellectual powers the frequently concomitant on the Gifts of Fortune
but that more humble, but important inculcation against the poor
Orders of Society by which while the mind is averted to the love of Truth
the Character molded by the finger of the moral instructor, is formed habits
of beneficence, and Virtue I do consider the application after the Decease
of my Wife of the Whole of my Worldly Estate to the purpose of
Useful Instructions as an application dictated by Philanthropy and pleasing
to God, I therefore, tho' inadequate my ability to my Wishes do hereby give
and bequeath for the purpose of founding & endowing a Charity School, in the
said County of Pennsylvania and for the annual Support of said school
and for the Support of a Teacher, or Teachers for the same, all and singular
the Properties as Goods and landed which said Land and stocks, shall
and after the Decease, of my said Wife become a permanent Fund for
the sole benefit and use of the Charity School, or academy to be erected for
the instruction of the Children of the poor people of the County aforesaid
and I do hereby authorize the Judges for the time being of the Supreme
Court in

294-

County, of the State of Virginia or any two of them to make choice of, and appoint three Commissioners inhabitants of the County of Pittsylvania who shall be authorized, to apply, the properties and funds as last above given and bequeathed as to them appear most fit, in erecting and endowing a Charity School, for the Education of the Children of the poorer Inhabitants of the County and who shall be empowered to make all necessary arrangements and arrangements for the Support of — or for the regulation of the institution — and the said Judges or any two of them, are hereby authorized on the refusal of such resignations or Deaths of any of the said Commissioners to make such reappointments, as their Wisdom shall deem fit, and I do also give and bequeath unto my Wife Sarah Herndon before mentioned my Negro Woman ^{named} Mary, with her increase and all my House hold Goods and moveable effects, including therein Horses Cattle and Stocks of every Kind by her freely sole Possessed and enjoyed, and hereby appointing by these presents as my Executors Peyton Graves, and William Witches Junr both of this County of Pittsylvania I do hereby utterly Revoke, Revoke and Disannul, all and every other Will, Legacies, bequests and Executors, by me or any Will before named, Wills and bequeathed, ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last Will and Testament. In Witness whereof I have Signed with my hand I affixed my Seal this Sixteenth Day of May one thousand eight hundred and Sixty.

Signed Sealed and Declared
by George Herndon, as his last
Will and Testament, in the
presence of us:

Witness, Daniel C. Edwards,
John ^{this} Diamond Mark Smith
marks.

George Herndon

At a Court held for Pittsylvania County the 16th Day of June 1806. This last Will & Testament of George Herndon Deceased was presented in Court by Peyton Graves and William Witches Junr. The Executors here named, and sworn by the oaths of Daniel C. Edwards, John Diamond Marks and William Smith three of the subscribing Witnesses and Ordered to be Recorded, And on the motion of said Executors who make oath according to Law, and together with William Swanson Junr. and Daniel C. Edwards their Securities entered into, and acknowledged their bond in the penalty of ten thousand Dollars, conditioned as the Law Directs Certificate is granted them, for obtaining a Probate of the said Will in due form —

For Will Tinsall Clk

Examined

295

Will
of
Allan
Johnson

I Allan Johnson, of the County of Pennsylvania do make and constitute this Writing to be my Last Will and Testament, in manner and form following I give my Will and desire is that, after all my debts, are paid the residue of my Estate, together with the Crop growing on my Ground, at the Time of my Death, if any, and all outstanding Bills rent &c that may remain due to me at the Time of my Death, shall go to my Grandson Samuel Logan, to him and his heirs forever, and I do appoint my friend Joshua Stone Executor of this my Last Will and Testament, In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand, and seal the Twenty fifth day of October 1806. Signed sealed and acknowledged Allan Johnson in the presence of
Coleman Stone

At a Court held for Pennsylvania County the 16th Day of June 1806. The Within last Will and Testament of Allan Johnson Deceased was presented in Court, by Joshua Stone the Executor herein named and proved by the oath of Coleman Stone the subscribing Witness and Ordered to be Recorded, and on the motion of the said Executor who made oath to the said Will according to Law, Certificate is granted him for obtaining a Probate thereof in due form on giving Security whereupon he together with William Timball his Security entered into and acknowledged their bond in the penalty of Hundred Dollars for that purpose conditioned as the Law directs.

Teste Willm Timball Secy.

Will
of
Nathaniel
Thacker

In the Name of God amen, I Nathaniel Thacker of the County of Pennsylvania though Weak in body yet through the mercy & Goodness of God; of a sound and perfect memory do constitute this my Last Will & Testament, I desire it to be revised as such by all First I Give unto my Wife Capt. the plantation & Tract of land adjoining the same containing One Hundred & fifty acres also four Negroes, Frank, Jule, Sam and Moses I give my Stock of Horses Cattle hogs & sheep also all my household Furniture and plantation Tools, during her life, and after her Decease, this plantation together with the One Hundred & fifty acres of land adjoining the same which I bind, my Wife together with the Orchard, to be equally divided between my two Daughters Molly McKim & Louisa Malcomb, and the Negroes Frank Jule Sam & Moses shall have the Stock of Horses Cattle Sheep Dogs & Household Furniture

plantation tools, &c. lent to my Wife, to be sold at twelve months
Credit, by my Executors hereafter named, taking bonds with
approved Security & after collected by my Executors to be equally
divided amongst my six children, or their Lawfull heirs -
Peter Peter Joel Isaac, Molly & Louisa & all debts by
bonds notes or other accounts due me to be collected by my
Executors, as soon as possible after my Decease, & after all
Lawfull Dem^d against me are paid, the balance to be
Equally divided, amongst, my six children or their heirs
before mentioned & my Wife immediately after collected.
Now, I appoint for my Executors my two sons, Peter
Thacker & Joel Thacker I am & do constitute this & no
other, my last Will & Testament, as Witness my hand
& seal, this twelfth day of April 1805 -

Test,
Jos Hubbard, Elisha Burton, Nathaniel ^{his} Thacker Seal
Robert ^{his} Nash, ^{mark}

At a Court held for Pennsylvania County the 21st Day
of July 1806. The annexed last Will and Testament
of Nathaniel Thacker Deceased was presented in Court
and Proved by the oaths of Robert Nash, and the affirmation
of Elisha Burton, and Ordered to be Recorded, and on the
motion of Peter Thacker and Joel Thacker the Executors
therein named who made oaths according to said Certificate
is Granted them for obtaining a Probate of the said Will
in due form, on giving Security, whereupon they together
with James Nash, Elisha Burton and Joseph Hubbard
their Securities acknowledged their bond in the penalty of
three thousand Dollars, Conditioned as the Law directs -

Teste Will Tunstall Clk

East Long's
Will.

In the Name of God. Amen I Edward Long Sen^r of the County of
Perrysylvania being in a Sound State of health; but of sound and disposing
memory for which I thank God, Calling to mind the mortality
of man Knowing it is appointed for all men Once to die do
make constitute and Ordain this my last Will and Testament
I Give of all Love and recommend my soul into the hands of
Almighty God that Gave it, me; and my body to be decently
entred

297
with made last according to law and together with William Brice of John Brice his executors entered into bond
and acknowledge the same in the penalty of three thousand Dollars conditioned according to law and give into
for obtaining letters of administration when the above annexed to the above said Will in due form.

at the discretion of my Executors; and, as to such worldly estates it
 hath pleased God to bless me with in this life I give and dispose off
 in manner and form following that is first of all my Just Debt
 to be honestly paid, Secondly I give to my beloved wife
 Jane Long, all and every part of my Estate, that I may die possessed
 of for her benefit so long as she do live, and after her death the
 said and other property to be sold at the discretion of my Executors
 and the money arising from such sale, to be divided as follows to
 wit to be equally divided between my son, Edward Long, my grand
 son, Edward Long, son of Thomas Long, and my grand son, Edward
 Long, son of Willm Long, my grand son, Edward Long son of James Long,
 my grand son, Edward Maples son of William Maples, and my
 grand daughter Jane Long, daughter of Thomas Long, my grand
 daughter James Long, daughter of William Long, ^{my grand daughter} daughter of James Long
 and my grand daughter Jane Long, daughter of Isaac Long, and
 to my grand daughter Jane Vernon, daughter to Richard Vernon,
 and my grand daughter Jane Griggs the daughter of John Griggs and in
 case any of the before named. Legacies should die before the
 age of Law full age, there parts are to be paid to those that may
 live to Law full age equally and I further give to my daughter
 Elizabeth Long, over and above what I have given her which she
 has now in her possession one cow half of her ~~bed~~ ^{bed} and all the
 Kitchen furniture and I further give to each one of my children under the Law full
 Years Ten Shillings over and above what I have given unto her before then,
 to each of them and their heirs forever, and I hereby constitute and
 appoint, my beloved friends, Robert Devin and Philip Thomas
 Executors of this my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all other
 former Wills ^{or Testaments} by me here before made In Witness whereof I have
 hereunto set my hand and seal this Thirtieth day of October in the year
 of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and four

Signed sealed &c in the
 presence of us

Edward Long
 made

Robt Devin, John Hardy,
 David Fuzzell, James Grigg

At a quarterly Court continued and held for Pittsylvania County the 26th day
 of August 1806 This last Will and Testament of Edward Long deceased
 was presented in Court and proved by the oaths of two of the subscribing
 Witnesses thereto, and ordered to be Recorded and at another Court held
 for said County on the 21st day of November 1821 Robert Devin in open Court and
 Philip Thomas by his letter filed refusing to take upon themselves the burden of the
 execution of the will of the said Edward Long, &c on motion of James Grigg &c

+ who made same according to law and together with William Pittsford his executor's return into Court
 and acknowledged the same in the presence of three Justices of the Peace and the same is now
 for obtaining letters of administration with the power of sale of the said Edward Long's estate in and from
 the Clerk of the Court of Wills and Testaments of the County of Pittsylvania

298- In the name of God Amen I William Mitchell blacksmith, of
 (Wm Mitchell) Pittsylvania County and State of Virginia, being now in perfect health and sound memory,
 do hereby calling to mind the uncertainty of life and health in this our mortal state, do
 now make this my last Will and Testament, in the manner and form as followeth, Viz,
 in the first place I resign my Soul into the hands of my gracious Creator, and
 my body to the earth to be decently buried, believing and trusting in the promises of
 God made in his Gospel through Jesus Christ of a happy Resurrection and as to
 my worldly Goods I do hereby Dispose of them in the manner and form as followeth
 Item I bequeath and forgive my Brother James Mitchell whatever Sum he
 may owe me in Money either by Bill, Bond or Open Account, and further do
 hereby give and bequeath unto him and his heirs forever One Hundred acres of my
 Tract of Land to be laid off as followeth, Beginning on Christian Swannons line
 at a path called Creamers path, thence the course of the path nearly North
 untill it comes to the top of the Ridge, thence a straight line runs in such a direction
 as to include the hundred acres to where it joins Jacobs Bangers the Land is
 bounded afterwards by Jacob Bangers line, Leonard Claps, Christian Trucks &
 Christian Creamers lines to the Beginning at the path, Item I give unto
 my brothers Son Henry Mitchell the feather bed chamber, I generally lay out
 all the bed clothes and furniture that belongs to the same to him & his heirs forever
 Item I leave my dearly beloved Wife Helen Mitchell the use of all my Estate
 Real and personal to support her decently and free from want during her
 life to be under the Direction of my Ex^{rs} hereafter named, she having the privilege
 to use or Dispose of any part of my personal property for her Support or Sustainance
 if her necessity should require it. Further it is my Will and Desire that after
 my Decease, that Peter Clark and his family continue to live on my or my plantation
 transact all business for my Wife, and take care of her while she lives. Further
 my Will and Desire is, after the Decease of my beloved Wife that my Ex^{rs} pay all
 my Just Debts, and in Tender Consideration of the Favours and Services already
 rendered me by Peter Clark, and those kindnesses that is expected he will show my
 Wife after my Decease, as a Recompence for the same, my Will is that after
 all my Just Debts are paid, the Remainder of all my Estate Real and personal
 (after my Wifes Decease) Viz the Tract of Land whereon I now live of two
 Hundred and nine Acres be the same more or less, all my Household Furniture of
 every kind, all my plantation utensils, blacksmiths Tools, all my Stocks of Horses
 Cattle Sheep & hogs with every other part or partite of my Estate Real or personal
 not already disposed of, I do hereby give and bequeath unto Peter Clark his
 heirs Ex^{rs} &c forever, and lastly I do hereby constitute & appoint my exec^{rs}
 beloved friends, Maj^r John Smith & Peter Clark my true & lawful Ex^{rs}
 of this my last Will and Testament (Reserving every other Will by me
 formerly made) In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my
 hand & Seal this 15th day of Aug^r 1805
 In presence of
 John G. Galt, Wm Galt, Henry G. Galt, &c
 William Mitchell Test

At a Court held for Pittsylvania County the 20th day of October 1806.
 The Within last Will and Testament of William Mitchell Deceased was presented in Court and proved by the Oaths of Samuel Ballant and Henry G. Ballantary two of the Subscribing Witnesses thereto. Ordered that the same be Recorded; and on the motion of Peter Clark one of the Executors therein named, who made oath according to Law and with Peyton Graves his Security entered into and acknowledges their Bonds in the penalty of One Thousand Dollars conditioned as the Law Directs, Certificate is granted him for obtaining a probate of the said Will in due form, and leave is reserved for John Smith the other Executor therein named to join in the probate of the said Will, when he shall think fit.

Teste Wm. Tinsell, C. C.

In the Name of God Amen I Joseph Motley of Pittsylvania County and State of Virginia being Weak in body but of perfect mind and Memory, Calling to mind the uncertainty of life and the certainty of Death, that it is certain once for all men to die, do make complete and Certain this my last Will and Testament in the manner and words following Viz first of all I give and bequeath my Soul into the hands of Almighty God who gave it and my body to the earth to be buried in a decent and Christian like manner at the Discretion of my Executors nothing doubting but I shall receive it again at the Morning Resurrection by the mighty Power of God, and as touching my worldly Goods as it has pleased Almighty God to bless me, with I give and bequeath in the following manner First It is my Will and desire that all my Just Debts should be paid and the Remainder to be Divided in the following manner Viz I give and bequeath to my beloved Wife Elizabeth Motley One Shilling per Annum Cash to her and her heirs forever. Also I give and bequeath during her Natural life, the following property to wit The Land and Plantation (whereon I now live) and the following Negroes to wit Primer Will. A Nat. Girl named Eliza and also two head of my choice Cattle, one Goat and even two Mares Sine and Snip Six head of Choice Sheep, all my Stock of Hogs my Bowchels and Kitchen Furniture, and Plantation Utensils and one London Still by her to be quietly and peaceably enjoyed without let trouble or molestation and the Remainder of my Estate to be Divided in the following manner Among my Children and Grand Children hereafter named first to my Grand Daughter Patsy Motley (Daughter of David Motley) one eleventh part I give and bequeath to her and her heirs forever. Next to my Son Daniel Motley I give and bequeath one eleventh part to him and his heirs forever. Next to my Son Samuel Motley I give and bequeath one eleventh part to him and his heirs forever. Next to my Son John Motley I give and bequeath one eleventh part to him and his heirs forever. Next to my Daughter Martha Stewarts four Children I give and bequeath one eleventh part to be equally Divided among them to them and their heirs forever. Next to my Daughter Obedience Morehead I give and bequeath one eleventh part to her and her heirs forever. Next to my Daughter Prudence Stone I give and bequeath one eleventh part to her and her heirs forever. Next to my Daughter Sally Anderson I give and bequeath one eleventh part to her and her heirs forever. Next to my Daughter Lucy Carter I give and bequeath one eleventh part during her Natural life, and at her Death I give and bequeath it to the heirs of her body Lawfully begotten to them and their heirs forever. Next to my Daughter Delilah Terry I give and bequeath one eleventh part to her and her heirs forever. Next to my Grand Son Joseph Motley I give and bequeath one eleventh part to him and his heirs Lawfully begotten and if the said Joseph should die without such heir, It is my Will and desire

desire that his two Brothers Joel Farmer and Asa Farmer should have his part equally Divided between them to them and their heirs forever. It is also my Will and Desire that that part of my Estate lent to my Wife at her Death should be Divided Among the persons and in the manner the other part of my Estate has been given and bequeathed to and Among and having disposed of my whole Estate I constitute Orsain and Appoint my Executors as the Worshipful Court shall think proper to Direct, and hereby Disannulling and Revoking all other Wills or Wills heretofore by me made, I do make and Ordain this my last Will and Testament this eighth Day of November in the year of our Lord Christ One thousand eight hundred and four as Witness my hand and Seal.

Signed Sealed pronounced Declared

and Declared in presence of
John R. Hall, Rhoda Oberlin
William Hall

Joseph Mottly

At a Court held for Pittsylvania County the 15th Day of December 1806
The within last Will and Testament of Joseph Mottly Deceased was presented in Court and proved by the Oaths of William Hall and Rhoda Oberlin one of the Subscribing Witnesses thereto. Ordered that the same be Recorded, and the Testator having by a Clause in the said Will authorized the Court to appoint his Executors, The Court do appoint Chapman Terry Executor of the said Decedent who made Oath according to Law, and together with Daniel Mottly, William Arlyff Doct^r, William Hall, Doctor C. Williams, and James M. Williams his Securities entered into and Acknowledged their Bonds in the penalty of Twenty Thousand Dollars conditioned as the Law directs. Certificate is granted him for Obtaining a Probate of the said Will in due form.
Teste Willm Junstatte C. P.

John Wilson
Dea. Wilson

In the name of God Amen I John Wilson Son of Pittsylvania County being infirm and sick in Body, but of sound mind and Memory, and taking to mind the certainty of Death, do make constitute and Ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner and form as follows. First I Bequeath my Soul to God and my Body to the dust, from whence it came. Secondly it is my Will and Desire that all my Just Debts be Paid and Satisfied. Third I leave to my Wife Elizabeth Wilson during her life, my Tract of Land and Plantations whereon I now live, Excepting parts that some of my Children has previously to death or that will be mentioned hereafter, also three Negroes to name, Will, Tom and Fanny, one bay mare, two feather Beds and furniture, one Speck of Oxen, Stock of Cattle, Dogs, Sheep and Geese, Crop of Corn, Corder and Cates, Kitchen furniture & plantation Utensils. Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Rachel Payne, exclusive of what I have give her at her Marriage, five Shillings Sterling to her and to her Heirs forever. But if in Case she lives longer than her Husband, she is to have an equal part of my personal Estate, with any other Children allowing a Deduction of the Sum of Fifty two pounds for property she has Received of me. But this is not to prohibit an equal Division to take place of my Estate Among my other Children, and the Legacies is to be Accountable to her, or not my Executors if in Case she should out live her Husband as is above mentioned.

John