

In the name of Christ Amen. I John Porter of the County of Powhatan being
 in perfect sense of memory, do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament
 in manner and form following

I Give to my beloved Wife Sarah Porter this Negroes (viz^t, Cassy, Abby,
 Sarah, Luc, Chloe, & Nancy. Also the use of the Plantation whereon I now
 live During her Natural life to peaceably enjoy the same without
 molestation.

m. I Give and bequeath to my Eldest son John Porter, Two Negroes (viz^t, Pili
 & Dilcy, a feather Bed and furniture and a Mare Colt, which she and
 whercon I now live, at his Mothers decease to him & his heirs for ever

m. I Give and bequeath to my son Isaac Porter, Two Negroes, (George & Anna,
 A feather Bed & furniture, & 1/2 Mare Colt, & the Plantation lying
 on Jones Creek to him and his heirs for ever

m. I Give and bequeath to my son Thomas Porter, the following Negroes (viz^t,
 Jupiter, Phillis, and Chloe, at his Mothers decease with her future
 Increase, also one feather Bed and furniture, to him & his heirs for ever

m. I Give and bequeath unto my Dildoy Porter the following Negroes (viz^t,
 Cumba, Sylvia, & Tabb, also a feather Bed & furniture to him and
 his heirs for ever

m. I Give and bequeath to my Grand son Peter Stultett, a negroe Girl
 named Jane, and his lawfully begotten heirs for ever and in case of
 his Decease without issue, it is my Will and desire that his
 part be equally divided ^{among} between all my Children

m. I Give & bequeath to my Daughter Elizabeth Smith two Negroes, Daul
 & Dick, also a feather Bed and furniture to her and her heirs for ever

m. I Give & bequeath to my Daughter Margaret Porter Two Negroes Joe,
 & Pender, also a feather Bed and furniture, to her and her heirs for
 ever

I Give and bequeath to my Daughter Sarah Porter, Two Negroes viz^t,
 & Dick, also a feather Bed and furniture to her and her heirs for ever

whereon I now dwell.
I Give and bequeath to my son Isaac Porter, Two Negroes, George & Anne,
A feather Bed & Furniture, A Lath Mare Colt, & the Plantation lying
on Jones's Creek to him and his heirs for ever

I Give and Bequeath to my son Thomas Porter, the following Negroes, viz.
Jupiter, Phillis, and Chloae, at his Mother's decease with her future
Increase, Also one feather Bed and furniture, to him and his heirs for ever

I Give and bequeath unto my Daughter Dido Porter the following Negroes (to wit)
Cumba, Sylvia, & Tabb, Also a Feather Bed & Furniture, to him and
his heirs for ever

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& Duke, also a feather Bed and furniture to her and her heirs for ever

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& Pender, Also a Feather Bed and furniture, to her and her heirs for
ever

I Give and bequeath to my Daughter Sarah Porter, Two Negroes viz
Judith & Kate, One feather Bed & furniture Also one Sul Skin Shirt, &c,
to her & her heirs for ever

My desire is that my Children should have their proportions as they come
of age or marry, & further that my wife be allowed the privilege of
Enjoying the use of my Land on Jones's Creek till my Son Isaac come of age.
My Will and Desire is that my beloved wife Sarah Porter shall have the use
of all the Remaining parts of my Land, that shall not already given

away during her natural life. It is also my desire that my Negroes
 Cesar, Toby, Sue, Sarah, Chloe & Nancy, be kept together on the Land
 whereon I now live for the Maintenance and Education of my Children
 (till such time as they are able to answer those purposes) and
 then to Equally divide among my Children (to wit) John, Jane, Thomas,
 Duroy, Elizabeth, Margaret, & Sarah. It is also my desire that my estate
 be not appraised & taken up if possible that it be divided without
 selling.

And Lastly I do appoint my wife & James Smith Executors of this
 my Last Will & Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto
 set my hand and seal this twenty seventh day of April One thousand
 seven hundred and eighty Four.

Signed & Sealed
 in presence of

Will Lesieur

Stephen Porter

Daniel Branch

John Porter

{ At a Court held for Powhatan County the
 sixteenth day of September Anno Domini
 One thousand seven hundred and eighty four
 the last will and Testament of John Porter deceased was presented to Court
 Sarah Porter & James Smith the Executors & Executor thereof in and
 proved by the Oaths of Stephen Porter and Daniel Branch two Witnesses
 & ordered to be Recorded. And on the Motion of the said Executors
 who made Oath and entered into bond according to Law; Probate thereof
 was granted them in due form.

Teste W. Miller. CR

Ought the 15th 1784. Agreeable to an Order of Court We Edw. Mumford George
 Cox, & Archelus Mummeny being first sworn appraised in current
 money the Estate of Tapley Smith deceased

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witnessed by the Oath of Stephen Porter and Daniel Branch two Witnesses
& Ordered to be Recorded And on the Motion of the said Executors
they made Oath and entered into bond according to Law Probate thereof
as granted them in due form

Teste Wm Miller. C.R.

August the 15th 1784 Agreeable to an Order of Court We Edw. Mumford George
Cox & Archibald Munmerley being first sworn appraised in current
money the Estate of Tapley Smith deceased

1 Horse Colt £10. 1 Fiddle 2/6. 1 Coat 18/ 1 Ditts 2/6. £12. 6d
1 Pair of Breeches 3/ 3 Waistcoats 12/ 10 Stock 12/6

by the

£13-11

Edward Mumford

George Cox

Archibald Munmerley

It is Court held for Powhatan County, 21st September 18th September
day of September Anno Domini 18th hundred and
eighty four. This Inventory and appraisement of the Estate of
Ephraim M. Deceased was returned to Court and ordered to
be Recorded.

Teste
Wm. M. M. 6th 18th

In the Name of God Amen. I Shadrach Popper of King W^m Parish
in the County of Powhatan do make and Ordain this my last Will and
Testament in manner and form as follows.

1st my desire is that my Executors here after mentioned do make such
Improvements on my Land as they shall think necessary for the
Support of my Family and that they sell such a part of my stock
as they think can be best spared to pay the expenses and then my
Desire is that after my Just debts are paid the Rest of my Es^{te} be kept
together, untill my Daughter Mary Arrives to the Age of Eighteen
and then all my Es^{te} (Land excepted) be Equally divided between
my Wife & my three Children William, Jesse & Mary and that my
Wife have the Use of my Land during her life and at her Death
my Land to be Equally Divided Between my two Sons William &
Jesse & their heirs for ever. Further Whereas my Father in Law Samuel
Sandrum has promised to give my Son Samuel Popper a Negroe I
have omitted giving my s^{on} Sam^l any part of my Es^{te} I have
now in possession, but if my s^{on} Father in Law should not give my
s^{on} Samuel any part of his Es^{te} as he has promised, then my
Will is that he should have an Equal part, of my Es^{te} with the
Rest of my Children at the Division as is above mentioned and
my desire is that my Es^{te} be not appraised.

Lastly I do appoint my Friends George Smith & Anthony Martin
Executors of this my last Will and Testament. Revoking all other
Wills made by me heretofore as WITNESS my hand and Seal
this Seventeenth day of Sept^r 18th hundred and
eighty four.