

In the name of God Amen I Thomas Ballou of the County of Powhatan being  
in perfect mind and memory do make and Ordain this my last Will and Testam-  
ent revoking all others heretofore made in manner and form following  
In witness I give and bequeath to my son Charles one Negro man named  
Toney which was hitherto lent him for his and his heirs forever -  
I Give to my daughter Judith mentioned during her natural  
life one Negro girl named Lucy which was hitherto lent her with all  
her Increase and after her death I give the said Negro Lucy with  
all her Increase both Children already born and hereafter born  
to the Children of my said Daughter Judith namely Tabitha  
and William ~~William~~ to them and their heirs forever to be Equally divided  
I Give to my Daughter Martha Hall one Negro woman  
named Hannah during her natural life with all her increase and  
at her death my will is that the above named Hannah and  
her Increase to be Equally given to Mary and John the Halls to them  
and their heirs forever but should either of the Children die with  
out issue it is my will that the living child should have the  
said Negro Hannah with all her increase for her and her heirs  
forever - I Give to my daughter Mary and her heirs for-  
ever one Negro girl named Bess and all her Increase -  
I Give to my son Edward Eighty Pounds current money of  
Virginia to be levied out of the estate or legacy hereafter given  
to my Children namely Michie, Tabitha and Jesse -  
I Give to my Children above named Michie, Tabitha and Jesse  
the Negroes namely namely Patti and will Loan Sall and all their  
for them and their heirs forever to be Equally divided and each one  
to take their share when they marry or when the girls arrive  
to the age of twenty years and should either of these three

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said Negro Hannah with all her increase for her and her heirs  
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ever one Negro Girl named Bess and all her Increase  
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Virginia to be levied out of the estate or Legacy hereafter given  
to my Children namely Michie, Tabitha, and Jesse  
Item I Give to my Children above named Michie, Tabitha and Jesse  
the Negroes namely <sup>Sarah, Sarah, Joshy, Rachel and little Rachell</sup> namely Patt, and will Loan Sall, Ned and Harry  
for them and their heirs forever to be Equally divided and each one  
to take their share when they marry or when the girls arrive  
to the age of twenty one year and should either of those three  
Children Michie, Tabitha, and Jesse die before they arrive to the  
period which gives them their share of the Legacy above men-  
tioned it is my desire that the surviving one or ones shall pos-  
sess the whole for ever I also Give to my son Jesse  
Land whereon I now live for him and his heirs forever to take  
into his possession after the death of his Mother but should  
he die I will that the said Land and my desire the tract of Land and

and premises be sold and the profits arising to be Equally divided  
amongst all my children to them and their heirs forever my  
desire is if my children namely Michy Tabitha and Jesse  
should see their Brother Leonard reform his life to their satisfaction  
that then they should give him the negro Harry bequeathed  
to them the I leave it altogether at their discretion -  
Item I give to my son Leonard one Shilling and Six pence  
to be levied out of my Estate - Item I lend to my loving wife  
during her life or widowhood the tract of Land I now live on  
that bequeathed to my son Jesse and all my furniture and  
household disposed of, also the following negroes namely Emanuel  
Sam and Mary and after her death the three negroes Emanuel  
Sam and Mary and the furniture to be given to such or as  
many of my children as she may direct to them and then be  
forever I leave it to my will and desire that <sup>these</sup> all my wishes  
as could be known by the names of Jack in Lory be Equally  
divided amongst my children namely Martha Hall Mary  
Michy and Jesse Ballou the rest have received their prop-  
tion of horses and the rest of my stock of all kinds to be  
Equally divided among all my children then living except of a  
who has already had his share and Leonard to whom I leave it  
discretionally in the power of the rest to give him his pro-  
portion if he reforms his life to their satisfaction and my will  
is that each shall take their share as they marry or come  
of lawful age untill which time their shares shall remain  
on the plantation <sup>as a home for all of them untill</sup>

to be levied out of my Estate - I leave I leave to my loving wife  
during her life or widowhood the tract of Land I now live on  
that bequeathed to my son Ieph and all my furniture and  
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Sam and man and after her death the three negroes Emanuel  
Sam and man and the furniture to be given to such or as  
many of my children as she may direct to them and then her  
forever - I leave it is my will and desire that <sup>these</sup> all my horses  
as could known by the names of Jack in Gray be Equally  
divided amongst my children namely Martha Hall Mary  
Mickey and Ieph Ballou the wife have received their propor-  
tion of horses and the rest of my stock of all kinds to be  
Equally divided among all my children then living except to a son  
who has already had his share and Leonard to whom I leave it  
discretionally in the power of the wife to give him his pro-  
portion if he reforms his life to their satisfaction and my will  
is that each shall take their share as they marry or come  
of Lawfull age untill which time their shares shall remain  
on the plantation which shall be a home for all of them until  
they marry and as I have made it a rule to give my children a  
good feather bed and furniture when they married it is my will  
that those who are then unmarried shall also have a feather  
bed and furniture as they marry or at the death of my wife also I give  
my Jack in Gray to my daughter Tabitha Partly if my son  
Edward should never marry or should die without

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intent and meaning thereof paying my debts collect all  
the money due out of which after paying all my debts with  
funeral expenses make good my legacies and the residue to be divided  
amongst all my children then living and on account of my  
decease being with fits my will is that he do survive his father  
before he arrive to twenty five years of age In Witness where  
of I have set my hand this day of May in the year  
seven hundred and seventy four

Signed in presence of Thomas Ballow (Jr)

Thos. Baggell

Neath Minors

John Gandy

George Popper

At a Court held for Powhatan County at Scottsville on Thursday  
the eighteenth day of September one thousand seven hundred  
seventy four this last will and Testament of Thomas  
deceased was presented in Court and proved by the attestation thereof  
and ordered to be recorded And as the Executors of Math. Baggell  
and Michl. Ballow Executors thereon named who made oath the  
and together with William Bentley the Secretary entered into  
acknowledged their Bond in the sum of fifteen hundred  
pounds conditioned as the said decessor's certificate is granted them  
for obtaining probate thereof in due form

Teste

Abraham J. J. J.