

In the name of God amen I Thomas Flannoy of the County of
Pomohatan being infirm in body but sound Judgment and sound
of mind do ordain this my last Will and Testament first
Commit my Soul to him who gave it and my body to its
Mother Earth to be buried in such manner as my Executors
shall proper and as to what worldly Estate it has been please God to
bestow upon me I devise as follows viz^t It is my desire that my
Estate be kept together untill all my debts are paid I then man-
age all my Slaves and request that my Executors do obtain
a Certificate of their Freedom from the County Court for each
of them and that they bind all the males that are under
age to some industrious Mechanic to learn a trade untill it
shall arrive to the age of twenty one, and the Female
bound to some honest industrious person to learn to do
some and remain untill they shall arrive to the age of Eighteen
for as much as it appears to me that by nature all men
has an Equal claim to freedom it is my desire to do the
Justice which their situation has denied them and where
I am called on by the dictates of humanity to liberate all my
Slaves who are able to support themselves with honest industry
So am I bound to provide for such as are by length of years
and Service worn down in feeble old age I do therefore give
my Brother Jordan my old negro warrian Hannah a
a small compensation to enable him to indulge her in
much ease as the nature of his health and situation may require
I do give him my young Boy Silly and do also give him
a good Cause to him

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Slaves who are able to support themselves with their hands and feet
So am I bound to provide for such as are by length of years
and service worn down in feeble old age I do therefore give
my Brother Jordan my old negro woman Hannah and
a small compensation to enable him to indulge her in as
much ease as the nature of her health and situation may require
I do give them my young Bay filly I do also give him
9000 Cashes to be well known the sum of fifty pounds out of
the monies arising from the sale of my Estate to him and
his heirs forever, I give to my brother Selas my large Bay
mare with to him and his heirs forever I give to
David and to his heirs forever Ten Acres of Land lying adjoining
his tract of Land Notwithstanding the fore going clause relative
to the gift of my old negro woman Hannah and the young

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say fully it is more than my intention and will that should
circumstances take place which I at present cannot foresee and my
said Negro woman Hannah should not wish or choose to belong
to my brother Jordan that she shall always have the
liberty of choosing which of my Brothers she will live with
and the filly shall be valued and who is it she shall choose
to live with shall always have the mare or the valuation
as good a horse or mare it is my will that my land not
before given away by ^{me} sold on such terms as my Executors shall think proper and all my
Stock of all kinds, my household and Kitchen furniture, plate
and every other thing that I may be possessed of and
otherwise disposed off and the monies arising from the sale thereof
to be equally divided between Samuel Flournoy, Jordan
Flournoy, Sylvan Flournoy, my nephews, Anne Flournoy, the late
Mr. Bottom's wife, niece Polly Flournoy (daughter of George
Permitta E. Flournoy (daughter of David) to them and to the
heirs forever but should either of the last mentioned
die before they arrive to the age of twenty one and as their
may desire the Father of each do have the property of
him or her who die and that the legacies of the three
mentioned shall be paid to interest until they do arrive
age of twenty one or more I give my sister Julia Briddle
Chaw and Harriet I do appoint my Brothers Jordan
my cousins John Harris and Jordan Harris my Executors
to this last will
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him or her who dies and that the legacies of the three
mentioned shall be paid to interest until they do arrive to the
age of twenty one or marry I give my sister Julia Brithon
Cham and Harriett I do appoint my Brothers Jordan
my cousins John Harris Jr. and Jordan Harris my Executors
to this last will which signed Sealed dated this fourth
day of March one thousand Seven hundred and ninety four
in the presence of
Mr. Turpin
Thomas Harris
Archibald
John Harris Junr

Thomas Flournoy

At a Court held for Powhatan County at Scottsville on Thursday
the eighteenth day of September one thousand seven hundred
and ninety four the last will and Testament of Thomas
Flournoy deceased was presented in Court and proved by the oaths
of Richard Masby, John Harris & Horatio Turpin witnesses
thereto and ordered to be recorded. And on the motion of
John Harris and Lord an Flournoy Executors therein named
who made oath thereto, and together with Thomas Harris
David Flournoy their Secretary entered into and acknowledged
their Bond in the penalty of fifteen hundred pounds
conditioned as the Law directs certificate is granted the said
obtaining probate thereof in due form with leave given
the other Executors to come in and Qualify when they shall
see fit

Teste

B. H. Brown for Sec

Francis Smith orphan of Robert Smith dec'd in
Joseph Smith.

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By the sum of negro Woman Fanny to Mr. Smith 10

this year