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In the name of God I James Griffin
of Dorset County being at this time in perfect health
and Memory thanks be to God for the same and willing
to mind the shortability of my life knowing it is appointed
for all men to die to make and ordain this my last
will and Testament In presence of my friends and give
up my Body to the Earth to be buried in a Christian Burial
and as for such worldly goods as God has been pleased
to bestow on me with my wife & Daine is that they be divided
in the manner and form following Viz
I have given and bequeath to my loving wife Mary Griffin
the said and estate ^{wherein} I now live together with the
lands of Housbottle Hogs shop St and all household
and kitchen furniture during her natural life she
having out of the said estate the sum of Fifty Pounds
per annum of which said sum I have bequeathed
to my nephew Claiborne Griffin to be paid to the said
Claiborne Griffin when he comes of age or Marrieth
but if the said Claiborne Griffin should die under
age or marry before then my will and Daine is that the
said Fifty Pounds should be paid to my son Griffin when he
comes of age or Marrieth but if my said wife should
die in and on during her natural life then my will
is that the said estate be equally divided

age or my marriage then my will and Desire is that the
said Fifty Pounds above mentioned should be paid to my son Griffin when
he should come of age and marriage but if my said wife should
become a widow during her natural life then my will
and Desire is that the said estate be equally divided
between my two nephews Claiborne and Woodson Griffin
so then and their heirs forever but if both of the said boys
should die without issue then my Desire is that the
said estate be equally divided between the remainder
of my Brother William Griffin's children that should
be then living but if my wife should marry and have an
issue or heirs then my will and Desire is that my whole
estate excluding the Fifty Pounds above mentioned be
equally divided between her children and my nephew
Claiborne so then and their heirs forever and I do
hereby appoint and nominate my Brother William
Griffin sole executor to execute and comply with my
above Desire and Revoking all other wills or Gifts I
do acknowledge this to be my last will and testament
this first Day of September 1777 and in the presence of
the Witnesses have affixed my hand and seal

Test
Edm^d. H. Ford Daymel Ford
William Griffin

James Griffin (seal)

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Jesse Edward Mowbray Deceased 1111 This last will and
testament of James Griffin was presented in Court by
William Griffin the executor therein named & proved by the
witnesses thereto, & ordered to be recorded on the motion of the said
Griffin who gave bond & took the oath required by law & was
granted a probat thereof in due form as granted him
Test J. Mowbray De

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As a Court held for Prince Edward County, May the 18th 1813
On the motion of George Foster joint administrator with the wife
executors of James Griffin deceased or granted him Thereupon he
with Abner Willard his securities entered into and acknowledged
their bond for that purpose in the penalty of four hundred
dollars conditioned according to Law & took the oath required
by Law, Certificate for obtaining a probat thereof in due
form is granted him
Test J. Mowbray De

1813
I, the undersigned of God Am and I James Collicot of the County of Prince
Edward being at this time in perfect sense and sound Memory do make and
declare this my last will and Testament
In witness whereof I give and bequeath to my son Beverly Collicot all my
Land between the South Branch and James Fornings line
to him and his heirs forever I give and bequeath to my son
John Collicot all my