

In the name of God Amen. I John Carthon of
the County County of Northampton in the State of North Carolina.

Do make and Ordain this to be my last will & Testament
I Give unto my Beloved wife Margaret Carthon my tract of
Land in the County of Prince Edward in the State of Virginia also
two negroes named Richard & Poll & her Increase one Bay Mare
all my household & Kitchen furniture Plates Knives & Forks &c
During her Natural life and Widowhood

It is my will and desire that my Wife Receive all my share of
the Crop that I am Intitled to receive from the Estate of Robert
Skipwith for the purpose of Supporting & Maintaining, of herself
and my children -

It is my will and desire is that after the Death or Widowhood of my
Wife that my Tract of Land above mentioned be Equally Divided between
all my Sons, Viz. Dabney, Alfred, Lawson, Hubbard & Hudson Carthon to
them and their heirs forever

I give and Bequeath to my Son Dabney Carthon one Bay Colt, called
by the Name of Salah, my Saddle & large Gun to him and his
heirs forever

I give and bequeath in my last Will
Christen Lovel Fittie (called by the Name of Nancy Bell)
to her three heirs forever.

It is my Will and desire that the Remainder of my Estate
after the death or Widowhood of my Wife be Equally divided
Between all my Children to them & their heirs forever.

I do hereby Nominate & Appoint - my Wife Margaret Lawther
Executor & my Brother Thomas Lawther Executor to this my last Will
& Testament. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my
hand & Seal this Ninth day of September One thousand seven
hundred & Ninety

John Lawther

Signed Sealed & Published

in the presence of us

Hartwell Rains

Benjamin King Junr

Wm. King Junr

Benjamin King Junr
John King Junr

Virginia

The Commonwealth of Virginia To
the ~~presiding Justice~~ or the presiding Magistrate of the Court
of Northampton County in the State of North Carolina
greeting. We trusting to your fidelity and prudent circumspection
in taking and certifying the attestation of Benjamin King junior
& John King junior subscribing Witnesses to the last will and Testament
of John Lawthorn deceased hereto annexed. Command you that at
such time and place as to you may be convenient, you cause the
said Benjamin King junior and John King junior personally ^{to} appear
before you, and them having first sworn on the Holy Evangelists
of Almighty God do examine whether the said John Lawthorn
deceased did sign and publish the said writing as his last

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Will and Testament, whether he was of disposing Mind and
Memory, and whether they subscribed their Names thereto in his
presence and at his request, and thereof you plainly and distinctly
Certify our Justices of our Court James Edward County in the State of
Virginia aforesaid in such manner as Acts of Attestation are
usually certified by you enclosed to the Justices of our said County
Court aforesaid, sending also to us the Writing hereto annexed
and His Word, in order that the same may be admitted to
Record in the Court of our said County. Witness Francis
Watkins Clerk of our said Court at the Court house the 20th
day of June 1792, in the sixteenth year of the Commonwealth

Francis Watkins Clk.

State of North Carolina

Wilmington County Court

In Obsequence to a Commission to me directed