

W. Mason
In the name of God Amen I William Mason of the County of Prince Edward being
very sick and weak but in perfect mind and memory thanks be given to God calling unto mine
the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed once for all men to die do
make this my last will and testament that is to say principally and first of all I give &
recommend ^{my} soul into the hands of Almighty God that gave it and my body I recommend
to the earth to be buried in a ~~different~~ Christian like manner at the discretion of my Executor
nothing doubting but at the General resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty
power of God and as touching such worldly estate wherewith it hath pleased God
to bless me in this life I give devise and dispose of the same in the following manner
& form — First all my just and lawfull debts to be paid & then I give and bequeath
to my loving wife Mary Mason all my worldly estat after the debts mentioned
to her during her life and widowhood all but one negro Girl by the name of
Lester I give to my Grand-daughter Polly Pollit after her grand mothers death
which I appoint with my son John Mason to be my hole and sole executor
and after my wifes death my hole estate to be equally divided amongst
my children all but the girl Lester mentioned above giving under my
hand and seal this 4 day of December 1793 — W. Mason. *(Seal)*
John Kelly.

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hand and seal this 4 day of December 1798 Wm Mason. (Seal)

John Kelly
Agnes Kelly
Thomas Gordon

At a court held for Prince Edward County April the 15th 1799

~~John Lintwell and Testament of William Mason~~ deceased was presented in court and
proved by the oaths of John Kelly and Thomas Gordon ^{two of the} witnesses present and ordered to be recorded
on the motion of Mary Mason & John Mason executor & executrix therein named who with John Kelly
Thomas Gordon & John Gelohurst their executor entered into and acknowledged their bond for
that purpose in the penalty of Two Thousand pounds conditioned as the law direct and last
required by law to be qualified for obtaining a probat thereof in due form is granted them