

In the name of God, Amen. January the 19th, 1721. I Peter Jones Son of Bristol Parish in 4th Geo. County, being of Sound and perfect memory, praise be given to God for the same, and knowing the uncertainty of this Life on Earth, and being desirous to Settle things in Order, do make this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following, that is to Say, first and principally I commend my Soul to Almighty God my Creator assuredly believing that I shall receive full pardon and free remission of all my Sins and be Saved by the precious Death and Merits of my Blessed Saviour and Redeemer Christ Jesus, and my Body to the Earth from whence it was taken, to be buried in Such Decent and Christian manner as to my Executors hereafter named, shall be thought meet and convenient; and as touching Such Worldly Estate as the Lord in mercy hath Lent me, my Will and meaning is the same shall be employed and bestowed as hereafter by this my Will is Expressed, and first I do revoke, renounce frustrate and make Void all Wills by me formerly made, and declare and Appoint this my Last Will and Testament.

Item. I give and bequeath unto my Loving Wife Mary Jones my Plantation I now Live on with the Dwelling House and all other Houses thereon belonging to the Same in manner as followeth, that She my s^d Wife during the term of her Widowhood shall peaceably enjoy the same to her own proper use and benefit—provided she shall Live and abide her Self in person

upon the s^d Plantation, but in case she shall either Marry or remove her Self from Liveing on the s^d Plantation as aforesaid, then my Will is that she shall only have one third part thereof During her Natural Life.

Item. I give and bequeath to my Son Abraham Jones a part of my Land Lying and being on the South Side the Brick-house Run, commonly so called, bounded as followeth Viz: on the Easterly part Joining on my Son in Law Peter Jones his Line, and from that Line up the Run to a Branch called the Indian Cornfield-Branch, and up the Branch to my head line, Containing about Seventy or Eighty Acres of Land, be it more or less, to him and his heirs for ever.

Item. I give and bequeath unto my Son Peter Jones the remaining part of my Land I now Live on, excepting what I have given and bequeathed to my Son Abraham Jones, that is to Say my Will is, that my Loveing Wife Mary Jones Live and Abide on the same During her Natural Life.

Item. I give and bequeath to my Son William Jones all my Land. Lying & being on the uper Side of the fores^d Besses Branch, containing about one hundred Acres of Land, more or less, to him and his heirs for ever.

Item. I give and bequeath to my Son Thomas Jones my Plantation upon the Great Creek, so-called, on Nottoway River, to contain One hundred and fifty Acres of Land, which s^d One hundred and fifty to be taken out of my Tract of Land of Four hundred Acres, not Spoiling the other of the s^d Dividend, to him & his heirs for ever.

Item. I give and bequeath to my Son John Jones, One hundred and fifty Acres of Land, being part of the fores^d four hundred Acres upon Great Creek on Nottoway River on this side the 2d Creek, Joining on the Land of Indian Wills down the Creek, to Contain One hundred and fifty acres of Land, to him and his heirs for ever.

Item. I give and bequeath to my Son Wood Jones One hundred Acres of Land Joining upon my Son Thomas Jones his line, down the fores^d Great Creek, to him and his heirs for ever.

Item. I give and bequeath to my Son Abraham Jones, my Two Slaves by name Tony and Sarah Daughter of old Sarah, she and her increase to him and his heirs for ever.

Item. I give and bequeath to my Daughter Mary Jones, Wife of Peter Jones, a malla: by name Matt: she and her increase, as also my Silver Tob. Box, to her and her heirs for ever.

Item. I give and bequeath to my Son Peter Jones my Mal-latta Slave named Ishmael, as also one feather Bed and Bolster, One Rugg, One Blankett and One pair Sheets, to him and his heirs for ever.

Item. I give and bequeath to my Son William Jones, my Malla: Slave named Dick, and my Slave Moll, she and her increase, the s^d Moll Daughter of old Sarah, one feather Bed and Bolster, One Rugg, One Blankett and One pair of Sheets, to him and his heirs for ever.

Item. I give and bequeath to my Son Thomas Jones, my Malla: Slave Elisabeth and one Mallatto Boy named Edward, she and her increase, One feather bed & bolster One Rugg, one Blankett, one pair of Sheets, to him and his heirs for ever.

Item. I give and bequeath to my Son John Jones, one Mallatto Fellow named Jack, and his Son Jack, and one Mallatto Girl named Susan, One Feather bed and Bolster, one Rugg, One Blankett, One pair Sheets, to him and his heirs for ever.

Item. I give and bequeath to my Son Wood Jones, one Mallatto Fellow named Daniel and one Boy named James, and one Girl named Temp, One feather bed and bolster, One Rugg, One Blankett, One pair of Sheets, and my Seal Ring, to him and his heirs for ever.

Item. I give and bequeath to my Daughter Ann Jones, my Malla: Slave named Bess and her increase, One feather bed and bolster, One Rugg, One Blankett, One pair of Sheets and my Silver Tumbler, to her and her heirs forever.

Item. I give and bequeath to my Daughter Margaret Jones, my Malla: Slave named Frank, and her increase, One Feather bed and Bolster, One Rugg, One Blankett One pair Sheets & Six Silver Spoons, to her and her heirs for ever.

Item. I give and bequeath to my Daughter Martha Jones, my Malla: Slave named Mary she and her increase, One feather bed and bolster One Rugg, One Blankett, one pair of Sheets, one Silver Salt Seller, two Cows and Calves, to her and her heirs for ever.

Item. My Will is that my Malla: Slaves, by name, old Sarah,

her Son called Jack, Daniel and Rachell, Live and abide with my wife Mary Jones, to Serve her, her Natural Life, without let or molestation of any person or persons whatever, and at her Decease, my Will is that my Son Peter Jones have my Malla: Woman Rachell only, to him and his heirs for ever, and my Will is if henceforward the foresaid Rachell have any increase, the first after my decease to be given to my Son William Jones, and his heirs for ever, whatever increase afterwards from her I give to my Son Peter Jones, and his heirs for ever; as also my Will is that after my Wife's Decease, my Son Wood Jones have my Malla: Slave Daniel to him and his heirs for ever. Also my Will is after my Wifes Decease, my Daughter Ann Jones, have my Malla: Slave named old Sarah, to her and her heirs for ever.

Item. My Will is that if any of the foresaid Legatees of my four Sons, Viz: William Jones, Thomas Jones, John Jones and Wood Jones, depart this Life before they attain to Lawfull Age, that his or their part or parts of Land be equally divided among the Survivors.

And further my Will is that if any of my Seven Legatees, by name William Jones, Thomas Jones, John Jones, Wood Jones, Ann Jones, Margaret Jones, and Martha Jones depart this Life before they are possesst of what is herein of this my Will given and bequeathed, that his or her part or parts be Equally Divided among the Survivors of the foresaid Seven Legatees, to them and their heirs for ever.

All the Rest of my Estate not yet Disposed of, my Will is that it abide and remain in the possession and Custody of my Loveing Wife Mary Jones, Dureing her Natural Life & after her Decease to be divided between my two Sons John Jones and Wood Jones, to them and their heirs for ever.

And further my Will and Desire is that no part of my Estate whatever be Appraised or Valued, but that my Executors hereafter named, proportion and divide the same according to direction of this my Last Will and Testament.

And I do hereby Will, make, ordain, constitute and appoint my Trusty and Loveing Freind Major Robert Munford, and my Son Peter Jones, my full whole and Sole Executors of this my Last Will and Testament.

In Witness hereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal the
Day and year just above written.

PETER JONES. Sealed wth red wax.

Signed Sealed and Publisht in the presence of

Nathⁿ Parrott

Daniel Jones

George Williams

James Thompson.

At a Court held at Fitzgerralds, for the County of Prince George
on the Second Tuesday in January, being the Tenth Day of
the s^d month Anno Dom: 1726.

The next before written Last Will and Testament of Peter
Jones deced: was presented into Court by Robert Munford and
Peter Jones Jun^r his Executors who made Oath thereto, and it
being proved by the Oaths of Nathaniel Parrott, Daniel Jones,
George Williams, and James Thompson, Witnesses thereto, by
order of the Court is truly Recorded, and on the motion of the
s^d Robert Munford and Peter Jones, and their giveing Security
Certificate is granted them for obtaining a Probate of the s^d Will
in due form.

Teste

WM. HAMLIN, Cl. Cur.

Prince George Records, Vol. I, page 943.