

IN THE NAME of God amen I John Richardson of Litcham Parish and County of Dorset
Governor of Virginia being at present in Reasonable Health and In perfect mind Sense and Memory Thanks
be unto God for the same and Considering the uncertainty of this life and that all flesh must yield unto Death whensoever
it shall please God to call and being desirous to tell what of this worldly matters it hath pleased God of his mercy to
bestow upon me do make and Ordain this my Last will and Testament in Manner and forme following I Give and
bequeath and Comend my Soul into the Mercifull hands and Reception of my glorious and almighty Protector
through his mercy in all merits and Righteous acts of my ever blessed Saviour Jesus Christ to which full and
pardon of all my Sins and porters of Everlasting life in his Kingdom of Eternal Glory and my body to be
buried from whence it was taken to be buried in a decent and Christian Manner according to the direction
of my Executor hereafter named in hope of a joyful and blessed Resurrection at the last Day
I Give and bequeath unto my Daughter Ann Morfe the now wife of Francis Morfe and to her heirs for ever
the Negro woman named Singled her child named Baby and all their future Increase and also one Girl
called named Mary and her Increase which said three Negroes are already in her own possession and
one Dress named Humphrey and also two Silver spoons and one Silver Cup to be delivered by my Executor
within about one Week immediately after my decease in full there or part of my Estate yet to be paid my
and my will is that if my Daughter Ann Morfe should come to be a Widow or sole and for her
future support then I Give her a Maiden Girl named Phillis and all her Increase to her my said Daughter
Ann and her heirs for ever and then to be delivered and not till then by my Executor hereafter mentioned
I Give and bequeath unto my Grandson John Richardson the son of Thomas Richardson the plantation whereon
I am now with the Lands and Commodities thereto belonging unto him and his heirs lawfully Begotten of the
Day and In case my said Grandson should die without such issue then I Give the said Land unto the said
Richardson being Begotten of the Day of my son Thomas Richardson and I Give unto my said Grandson five
peeces named Black Henry Jack Dick Joe and Aring with all their future Increase unto him and his heirs
of his body for ever and if my said Grandson should die without such issue then I Give the said Negroes
and their Increase unto the heirs of my son Thomas Richardson for ever lawfully Begotten what it should
be it is my will and my will is that my said son Thomas Richardson have full and free the said
and business during his Natural Life
I Give and bequeath unto my son Grandson John Richardson and Richard Morfe one Black Man about ten
years old and serving as my Slave which came of my son Thomas Richardson's Negro Man and his

...to the Equally divided between them when the said person shall come to the age of 21 years but if my said Son Thomas should die before they attain that age then I give the said Money and the Profits thereof to my said Son Thomas Richeson.

I give and bequeath unto my said Son Thomas Richeson her freedom at the time of my decease and do absolutely Intend that she be free from all manner of Service from any Man or from any other person or persons whatsoever now or hereafter and my said Son Thomas Richeson shall receive unto my said Son Thomas Richeson all my Rights Legals Customs and Liberties which I have and command being in what nature or Manner whatsoever Excepting what is already given by this my will and that my said Son Thomas Richeson pay and satisfy all such Debts as I have in Right Confirmation and also that he pay yearly and every year two Barrells of Indian Corn unto the said Negro Woman Sarah whom I have set free by this present for and towards her Support and Maintenance for and during her Natural life and I make and Ordain my intimate Confidants and Appoint my said Son Thomas Richeson full whole and sole Executor of this my last will and Testament Revoking and making null and void all other will or wills by me formerly made and this to be taken as my last will and Testament and even other as witness my hand and Seal this twentieth day of August one thousand Seven hundred and fourteen

John Richeson & 

signed Sealed and Delivered?
In the presence of us
Morris Woodhouse
Peter Waples
Rich Compton
1714

Prince Georges County Wills 1714-1724
At a Court held the 24th October 1714
The Last will and Testament of Mr John Richeson deceased was presented in Court by Thomas Richeson his Son who made Oath thereto and being proved by the oaths of Morris Woodhouse Peter Waples and Rich Compton witnesses thereto is admitted to Record

Wm. B. (Cur)

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In the Name of God Amen I Afflict Hancock bequeath my Soul to almighty God who gave it me that Hoping that he will be pleased to receive it in his Everlasting love I think at this present time