

Marr's  
Will

In the Name of God Amen, the Eighth  
day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand Seven  
hundred and forty four, I John Marr of New Hamilton  
Parish and County of Prince William being <sup>very</sup> sick & weak  
in body but of Perfect mind and memory thanks be given  
unto god therefore Calling unto mind the mortality of my  
body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to  
die do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament  
(that is to say) Principally and first of all I give and recom-  
mend my soul into the hands of God that gave it and for my  
body I recommend it to the earth to be buried in a Christi-  
an like and decent manner at the discretion of my  
Executors nothing doubting but at the General resurrection  
I shall receive the same again by the mighty Power of God  
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pleased God to bless me in this life I give devise and  
dispose of the same in the following manner & form  
Imprimis I give and bequeath to Elisabeth Marr my  
beloved Wife, my Negro boy Peter and my orphan boy  
James Sims at her own disposal and the third part of my  
Estate beside as Household goods and Creatures Corn wheat  
and rie and tobacco and my Estate not to be sold till she  
hath her thirds but to divided by three honest men such  
as the Court shall appoint. Item I give and bequeath  
to John Bradford Junr my Negro boy Tom after my decease  
to him and his heirs and the said Bradford shall oblige

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himself to pay to Martha Keirns five pounds curr<sup>t</sup> money in the  
space of one year, Item I give and bequeath to John Marr the son of  
Daniel Marr my Negro girl late after my decease to him and his  
heirs and the said Marr shall oblige himself to pay to Mary Nettle  
six pounds curr<sup>t</sup> money, ..... at the age of Eighteen. Item I give and  
bequeath to my beloved son Christopher Marr my serv<sup>t</sup> Woman  
Isbel Sims to him and his heirs; Item I give and bequeath to  
Jacob Rector my young grey mare Pug bridle and saddle and her  
increase, and the remainder part of my estate to be Equally divided  
amongst my Children, And I do appoint Daniel Marr and  
John Bradford Executors of this my last will and Testament  
and I do hereby utterly disallow revoake and disanul all  
every other former Testaments wills and legacies in any ways  
before this time made will<sup>d</sup> and bequeath'd ratifying and Confirm-  
ing this and no other to be my last will and Testament in witness  
whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day & year  
above written