

Bottor
Will
I am?

In The Name of God Amen I Joshua Botts of the
County of Prince Georges am Sick in Body But of Perfect Sense and memory
praised be Almighty God for it Do make my full free will and Declare
This my Last Will and Testament in manner and form hereby following
Revoking and Disannulling all other wills and Testaments by me
Heretofore made I Imprimo I commit my Soul unto the hands
of Almighty God my Saviour and my body To the Earth its mother
To be Decently Buried by my Executors Hereafter named I do
Give and bequeath unto my Son William Botts And the heirs of
his Body lawfully Begotten all that Tract of Land that I now
hold or possess in the County of Stafford containing by
Estimation Seventy five acres ^{all} I Give and bequeath unto
my Daughter Susannah Botts and the heirs of her ^{Boddy} ^{heirs}

Counsellor Cashier Specie to be adjudged by my Law hereafter
named to be of the same Value that it was in the year one

Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy four, I Give and

bequeath unto my Son Tho: Batts and the Heirs of his body

lawfully Begotten or hereafter Named Bob Lapham and his Heirs

forever also My wife being Pregnant if she bring forth a living

Child I give and bequeath unto the same Thirty Pounds

in Specie to be adjudged by my Law hereafter named To be of
the same Valuation as it was in the year 1774. Also I give

and bequeath unto my loving wife Francis Batts The Plantation

wherein I now Live During her life or widowhood but if she should

Marry To fall to my Son Benjamin, Him I give and bequeath

and bequeath unto my Son ^{the} Betts and the Heirs of his body

Lawfully Begotten one negro boy Named Bob. Ligon and his Heirs

forever also My wife being Pregnant ^{was} of the bringing forth a living

Child I give and bequeath unto the same Thirty Pounds ^{sterling}

in Specie to be adjudged by my Exors hereafter named To be of
the same Valuation as it was in the year 1774. Also I give

of bequeath unto my loving wife Frances Betts The Plantation

wherein I now Live During her life or widowhood but if she should

Marry To fall To my Son Benjamin. Item I give and bequeath

unto My son Benjamin Gaines Betts at the Death or marriage

of My Mother all That Tract of Land & Dwelling Plantation

wherein I now Live I give and bequeath unto my Son Benjamin

gains & debts & his remaining
my said wife the Remainder of my said Estate Consisting
In Slaves Stock & House hold Furniture, and Plantation
When she is dead, Nathaniel Warrin and Mary to fort feed
and maintain my Children upon to Remain In her possession

during her life or widowhood, but if she should marry she shall
give up all my Estate into the hands of my wife Except One

Chair, a Bed, a Feather Bed, & Furniture then the

the remaining part of my Estate shall be equally divided

among my Surviving Heirs. Only my will is that there
be raised out of my Estate with the money that I now

have in the sum of ⁴⁰⁰⁰ 4000 pounds To be put

into an Office of Virginia and there to be continued

until my Children come of Age To receive their Equal

Share of the same and then to be drawn out by my wife

now and then for the use or benefit of my

children. I desire my Will is that of either of my

children to be without a lawful heir that their part

be equally divided among the my Surviving Children

Also my will is that the Legacies that I have Bequeathed

be received by the said Legatees as they come of age

Lastly I Appoint my loving wife Frances Both

and my Brother W. B. Both and John Wigginton are being

given care of this my last Will and Testament to execute

the same in Confirmation when I shall have hereunto set

my hand & seal this 7th Day of June Anno Domini 1700

Test John Both
John Wigginton

John Both

To the Worshipfull Court of Prince William

This is to Certifie

That I will not Receive The Legacie Left me by my Husbands
Will but desire my Dower As Directed by law witho^t my hand this
5th day of March 1701

Test

Francis Botto

John Botto

Wm Botto

At a Court held for Prince William County the 3th day of
March 1701. The last will & Testament of Joshua Botto

deced was presented to the Court by Benjamin Gaines an Ex^r
therein named

Francis Botto the widow having Declined by Proof to the said will
which was

being Proved by the oaths of the Witnesses & admitted to record the

and at the Court of Prince William County the 3th day of March 1701

Test

James Botts

John Botts

Wm Botts

At a Court held for Prince William County the 5th day of
March 1781. The last will & Testament of Joshua Botts

deced was presented to the Court by Benjamin Gaines an ^{attor}
therein named

Francis Botts the widow having Declined by Proof to the said will
which was

being Proved by the oaths of the Witnesses & admitted to record. The

Said ^{attor} having performed what is usual in such cases Certificate

is granted to obtain a Probate thereof in Due form

Test

Robert Graham ^{Clerk}

Attest In the Name of God Amen this 15th 1780