

In the name of God Amen this Twenty third day of March in the year of
our Lord one thousand Seven hundred & Eighty five I Elisabeth Thronton of the County
of Richmond and parish of Lunenburg being sick and Weak of Body but of perfect
Sense and Memory thanks be to Almighty God for the same do make this my
Last Will and Testament in manner and form following

Impressed, first and principally I recommend my Soul to Almighty God who gave it
me and my Body to the earth to be buried in such a decent and Christian like manner
as my Executors hereafter mentioned shall think fitt - as to my worldly Estate
which it hath pleased God to bestow on me I give and dispose of as follows -

Item I give to my two daughters Mary Alderson and Ann Reynolds all my wearing
apparel I also give them one hundred pence each, taking choice of any I may have -

Item I desire that all the rest of my personal Estate may be equally divided between my
Son John Thronton, William Thronton, Mary Alderson Ann Reynolds, Frances Thronton

of Richmond and parish of Lincenbury being sick and Weak of Body but of perfect
Sense and Memory thanks be to Almighty God for the same do make this my
Last Will and Testament in manner and form following

Therefore, first and principally I recommend my Soul to Almighty God who gave it
me and my Body to the earth to be buried in such a decent and Christian like manner
as my Executors hereafter mentioned shall think fitt - as to my worldly Estate
which it hath pleased God to bestow on me I give and dispose of as follows -

Item I give to my two daughters Mary Alderson and Ann Reynolds all my wearing
apparel I also give them one counterpane each, taking choice of any I may have -

Item I desire that all the rest of my personal Estate may be equally divided between my
Son John Thornton, William Thornton, Mary Alderson Ann Reynolds, Francis Thornton
Betsy and Lucy Hammond, that is Betsy and Lucy to have only an equal proportion with
one of the others before mentioned -

Item I desire that my daughter Ann Reynolds may Occupy and Enjoy the house I now
live in together with all the land inclosed with liberty of getting firewood &c. &c.

For the use of the Plantations only, as long as she remains a Widow and at the
Expiration of her Widowhood to be sold to the highest Bidder and the money arising from
the Sale to be Equally divided amongst John Thornton, William Thornton, Mary Alderson
Ann Reginalds, Frances Thornton, Betsey & Lucy Hammond they two to have only one
proportion with one of the other's Mortgages.

All the rest of my Land I desire may be sold Immediately after my death by my Executors
to the highest bidder and the money arising therefrom to be equally divided among
myself & my wife agreeable to the above Gift - hereby revoking & disannulling every other
Will or Wills by me heretofore made declaring this to be my true last Will and here
by appoint my friend Benjamin Bramham and my Son John Thornton Executors
of this my last Will & Testament. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my
hand & put my Seal the day & year first above mentioned.

I give Seal & Acknowledged
by Elizabeth Thornton as her
last Will and Testament in
presence of

her
Elizabeth Thornton Seal
mark

Signed Seal'd & Acknowledg'd
by Elizabeth Thornton as her
last Will and Testament in
presence of a

Alice Demerott
John Demerott
Mary Bramham.

her
Elizabeth Thornton Seal'd
mark

At a Court held for Richmond County the 6th day of
January 1796

This last Will and Testament of Elizabeth Thornton dec^d was presented
in Court by Benjamin Bramham & John Thornton the Executors therein named and being
proved by Alice Demerott one of the Witnesses thereto who also made oath that she saw
the other Witnesses, subscribe their Names, was admitted to read and on the Motion
of the said Executors who took the oath according to Law and giving Security a Certificate
is granted them for obtaining a probate thereof in due form.

Teste

Bartho. McCarty Ct. Clerk