

In the Name of God Amen I Henry Burdett of the parish of
Burdett's Will. Skenbourne in the County of Richmond being of perfect sound and
memory praised be Almighty God for the same and knowing that
as nothing is more certain than Death so nothing is more
Uncertain then the Time thereof I hoping to have full and free
pardon and forgiveness of all my Sins and to be partaker of the
Glorious Resurrection through our Lord Jesus by the Almighty
Power of God Do make this my last Will and Testament in
manner and form as followeth

and as touching the Disposition of such Temporall Estate as it
shall please Almighty God to bestow upon me Give and
bequeath in the following manner and form

Item I Will that my Debts and funerals Charges be first paid and
Discharged

Item I Give and Bequeath my plantation and lands in the parish of
Skenbourne to Thomas Thornton and John
Newman both of the parish aforesaid to be Equally divided between them
not as the Road lies but length ways as each of them may have a part of
the pasture that is now to them the said Thomas Thornton and John
Newman and their Wives Infirmah Thornton and Elizabeth Newman
During the terme of their naturall lives and the life of the longest
liver of them and after their Deaths to the heirs lawfully begotten
of the said Thomas Thornton and John Newman

man & woman both of the parish afores. to be Equally divided betwixt them
not as the 2 afores. dies but length ways as each of them may have a part of
the pasture that is now to them the said Thomas Thornton and Elizabeth
Woman and their Wives Infirmah Thornton and Elizabeth Woman
During the terme of their Natural lives and the life of the longest
liver of them and after their Decease to the heirs lawfully begotten
of the said Thomas Thornton and Elizabeth Woman and the heirs
lawfully begotten of the said John Manly and Elizabeth his wife
and to their heirs for ever the said Land containing about
One hundred and Eighty acres or thereabouts

Item I Give and bequeath my plantation and plant Sallows in the parish
of North Hamham whereon John Walker James Todd John Mollony
and Humphrey Thomas now lives containing about five hundred
acres to the said Humphrey Thomas and his Wife Jane
Thomas During their Natural lives and after their Decease to
their Children James Thomas John Thomas David Thomas James
Thomas & W^m James & Sarah Mounjoy to them and their heirs
lawfully begotten for ever to be Equally divided betwixt them in
Six parts and in base either of the afores. William John David
James Thomas W^m James & Sarah Mounjoy Dies without heirs
lawfully begotten that his heirs or their part so dying shall Returne
to the Survivors of them aforesaid and their heirs lawfully
begotten

And also my Will and Desire is that if it please the God that the

said Humphrey Thomas and his late Wife I and should suddenly
Depart this life that my friend Cap^t Thomas Bonds do respect and
see this last legacy of my Will performed - - -

Item I Give and bequeath my Right of the Land whereon I once held the
manor lives in Essex County to my friend George Brown of Westmore
County and his heirs - - -

Item I Give and bequeath one Spanish mare Colt of the year of this past Spring &
one foal of two years old next Spring to Elizabeth Duncas Daughter
of Henry Duncas and her heirs - - -

Item I Give and bequeath all the Rest of my personal Estate of what
kind or Nature soever to the said Thomas Norton and John Bowman
to them and their heirs to be equally divided - - -

Item I Give and bequeath all my Right and Title of the piece of Land
as I am Informed was bequeathed to me by Madam Hull to Edward
Hinkley of the County aforesd. it being part of the Land as I am
Informed whereon Will^m Colston lived and his Widow holds now
in possession to him the said Edward Hinkley and his heirs for
Ever - - -

Item My Will and Desire is that the O-phan Boy that now lives with me
named W^m Simas do remain with Thomas Norton and he to
teach him to Read and write and the O-phan Girl to remain
with the said John Bowman and he to teach her to Read & Sew - - -

I bear him to Read and write and the Ophan Gile to Remain
with the said John Newman and he to bear her to Read & show
lastly I Nominate constitute and appoint Thomas Thornton & John
Newman my whole and sole Executors of this my last Will and
Testament Revoking and making void all other Wills by me
heretofore made and this to stand as my last Will and Testament
In Witness whereof I have herunto set my hand & seal this 29th

Day of Dec. 1723

Signed Sealed published and
Declared by the Testator to
his last Will & Testament in
presence of us

Henry & Benedict ^{Sealed}
marks

The words on the other Side (Wm. James & Sarah Mountjoy) and in the
next line the words (in six parts) and the words (Wm. James & Sarah
Mountjoy) and the words (being first in the line before signed -

Attest
Avery Dy
George Newman
George Filkin

At a Court hold for Richmond County
the second Day of June 1723 -

This Will was proved in open Court by the Oaths
of Avery Dy and George Newman Two of the
Witnesses thereto and admitted to Read -

Test M. Beckwith Clerk