

18 In the Name of God Amen I Richard Lawson of the Parish of
Dunbarrow & County of Wickemore planter being Gray Sick & Weak of Body
But of perfect & sound Mind & Memory & knowing there is a time Appointed for all
Men to dye do Make & Ordain this my Last Will & Testament in Manner & Form as
Follows

I Give my Soul to Almighty God who gave it me hoping to Meet there some
at the Day of My Election by the Merits of my Beloved Saviour Jesus Christ & my
Body I Give to be buried at the Discretion of my Executors hereafter Mentioned
I Give & Bequeath to my Beloved Wife all my Whole & Sole Estate Dureing her
Natural Life

I Give my Whole Decence I Give & Bequeath to my Grandson Thomas
Lawson Medman all the Land Belonging to me & three Negroes By Name
Jacintha Limbo and Joe
I Give & Bequeath to my Daughter Mary Medman one young
Negro Girl called Hannah & of the said Negro Girl Hannah should
be the property of

at the day of my decease by the Merits of my Beloved Saviour, Jesus Christ & my
Body I have & bequeathed at the Discretion of my Executors hereafter mentioned
I do Give & Bequeath to my Beloved Wife all my Whole & Sole Estate During her
Natural Life.

Item After my Wife's Decease I Give & Bequeath to my Grandson Thomas
Lawson Medman all the Land Belonging to me & Three Negroes By Name
Greenock Limbo and Joe.

I do Give & Bequeath to my Daughter Mary Medman one young
Negro Wench called Hannah & if the said Negro Wench Hannah should
Die the increase of her that is to say her Children should be the property of
my Grandson Thomas Lawson Medman before mentioned & if the said
Thomas Lawson Medman should Die without a Male heir of his Body Lawful
Lawfully Begotten then the said Land & Negroes to be Divided Equally Between
all my Male Grand Children.
Item I do Give & Bequeath to my Grandson Elijah Moore one Negro Wench called Harvey.

Item Give unto my Grandson Vincent Moore one Negro Boy Called Sam
if either of my two Last Mentioned Grand Children that is Elijah Moore
Vincent Moore should Die Without ^{their} Male Lawfully Wedotten then
The Survivors to be here to the Other & if Both should Die Without such
Buy then the said two Negroes to Defend to my Male Grand Children by my Daughter
Mary Medman to be equally Divided Between them & Likewise Order that the
Two Last Mentioned Negroes Harry & Sam shall Remain upon my aforesaid plantation
on which I now dwell untill they arrive at the age of sixteen years after
which age the profits arising from them to be carefully Managed untill my
said two Grand Children Elijah Moore & Vincent Moore live at the age of Twenty
one years & then to be paid to them ^{separately} respectively as they arrive at that age
Item Give unto my Daughter Mary Medman one feather Bed and its furniture
Belonging Thence after the Decase of my Wife
Item Give unto Anne Hall my Daughter in Law one feather Bed & its furniture
after my Wifes Decase

Item Give to my Sister Anne Murrish five Pound Current Money

Belonging hereunto after the Decease of my Wife
I will Give unto Anne Hall my Daughter In Law one feather Bed & its furniture
after my Wifes Decease.

I will Give to my Sister Anne Murphy five Pound Current Money
I will Give to my Sister Elizabeth Davis five Pound Current Money both
Which Last Sums to be paid as soon as they can conveniently be Made
after my Decease.

I will Give to my Grandson Thomas Lawson Medman my Gun.
I will Give all the Residue of my Estate Not already Given away to be
Equally Divided after the Death of my Wife between all my Grand Children both
Male & Female.

Witness that my said Estate be Not Appraised.
I Make & Ordain My Beloved Wife my Brother Thomas Lawson & my
Son In Law John Medman to Execute this my Last Will & Testament in
Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal This 22 Day of February
one Thousand Seven hundred & fifty Nine ^{5th} the Presents of
Wm. H. H.

I Doe that my said Estate be. got Appraised.
I Make & Ordain. My Beloved Wife my Brother. Thomas Lawson & my
Son in Law John Medman to Execute this my Last Will & Testament in
Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal This 22 Day of February
one Thousand Seven hundred & fifty Nine ^{being} the Presents of

Henry Little

John H. North

John Lawson

Mary Dranham

John North

Michael Lawson
His Son

At a Court held for Richmond County the 1st
Day of May 1761

This Will was Presented in Court by Thomas Lawson & John Medman
Executors Hereof. Named Who made Oath thereunto according to Law & being proved by
the Oaths of Henry Little & Mary Dranham Two of the Witnesses hereunto
Was admitted to Record. East 2nd May 1761