

John Hunt

At a Court held for Richmond County the fourth day of June 1787.
This Will of Nathaniel Nash decd. was presented in Court by Sedwick
Nash the Executor & James Nash Esqr. therein named who made oath there-
to according to Law. and being proved in open Court by the oath of John
Wright, a Witness thereto was admitted to Record, and on the motion of
the said Executors giving Security a certificate is granted them for
obtaining a Probate thereof in due form.

Test LeRoy Lechey Esqr.

In the Name of God Amen
I William Butler of the Parish of Lunenburg and County of Rich-
mond being in very weak and low Condition in Body but of perfect and sound
Mind and Memory Thanks be to God, the apt and willing to World

the mortality of my Body and knowing that it is appointed for all men
once to die I do make and contain this my last Will and Testament
in manner and form following that is to say Principally and first of all I
commend my ~~soul~~ into the Hands of almighty God who gave it me and my
Body I commit to the Earth to be buried in a Christian like and decent
manner at the discretion of my Executor hereafter named And as touching
such Worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me with in
Life; I give devise and dispose thereof in manner and form following
To-wit. I Give and Bequeath unto my dearly beloved Wife Betty
Bruce the whole and Sole use of all my Estate both Real and Personal
for and during the Term of her Natural Life and Widow hood and my Will
is that my said Wife shall have the whole use of my said Estate during
the said Term; the paying my Debts and raising and Educating my
Children which have not been Educated in the Term of my Natural Life
Out of the Profits of my Estate. But if my said Wife should Extra-
vagantly waste or imberzel my said Estate then my Will is that my
Executor do then Confine her to her Dower as the Law directs -
Item I Give and Bequeath unto my son Andrew Bruce one Bay-
Mare and after the Death of my said Wife my Land also and no other
part of my Estate.

Executor do then confer her to her Dowry as the Law direct -
Item I Give and Bequeath unto my son Andrew Bruce one Bay
Hare and after the Death of my said Wife my Land also and no other
part of my Estate -
Item I Give and Bequeath unto my son William Bruce one Bay Hare
bott to be his property immediately after my Death -
Item My Will and desire is that if my said wife should die or Marry
again that then I give and Bequeath all the residue of my said Estate
remaining part thereof among my following children to Wit, that
is to be Equally divided Among all my children that shall then be
living at her Death or Marriage Except My son Andrew Bruce and my
will is that he shall abide by what I have devised to him as aforesaid
Item My desire is that my said wife during the Term of her Natural
Life & Widowhood shall have Authority to dispose of such Timber as she shall
think proper to the use of my Nephew James Craik According to agreement
and Lastly - I constitute, Appoint and Ordain my trusty and well
beloved Friend and Nephew James Craik my sole Executor of this my last
Will and Testament Revoking and disannulling all other and former
Wills Legacies and Bequests by me in any wise herebefore Made Left and
Bequeathed, Ratifying and Confirming this and no other to be my last Will
& Testament As Witnesses my Hand and seal this 24th Day of 1744

shall have Authority to dispose of such Timber as she shall
think proper to the use of my Nephew James Crask According to agreement
and Lastly I constitute Appoint and Ordain my trusty and well
beloved Friend and Nephew James Crask my sole Executor of this my last
Will and Testament Revoking and disannulling all other and former
Wills Legacies and Bequests by me in any wise heretofore Made Left and
Bequeathed, Ratifying and Confirming this and no other to be my last Will
& Testament As Witnefs my Hand and seal this twelfth Day of Novem-
ber in the year of Our Lord 1783

Signed Sealed and
declared by the said
William Bruce to be his last
Will and Testament in the

presence of
John Marks
Daniel Wilson
Andrew Bruce
William Bruce

William Bruce (Seal)

At a Court held for Richmond County
of February 1788.

This Will was presented in Court by James Crask the sole Ex-
ecutor named who made Oath there to according to Law.