

In the name of God amen I James
Johnston of the County of Rockbridge State of
Virginia being in a low state of ^{body} health but of
perfect mind and memory do make this my last
Will and Testament. I order that my just debts
and funeral expenses be paid out of my Estate
I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Margaret
the one third of my Plantations the one end of
the dwelling house the black woman Rachard
one horse and saddle three cows of her choice, and
the one third of my stock of hogs and Sheep for
her support during her natural life I also give
and bequeath to my wife to be at her disposal
one bed and bedding and Bureau the cupboard
my best Table with the furniture of the cupboard
My sons and daughters that are married and be

my best table with the furniture
my sons and daughters that are married
are to consider the share of my estate
already given them as their full proportion thereof
I give and bequeath to my son Robert the sum of
four hundred dollars in cash to be paid out of my
estate - also the young sorrel horse and saddle
that he usually rides - I give and bequeath to
my son George and daughter each four hundred
dollars in cash - with a horse and saddle with
and they are to remain in my family for two years after this
the rest of my family for two years after this
and to apportion among their legacies aforesaid
which is to be paid at the end of the two years
bequests to my son - I leave and give
I leave which include the sum

428 which they are to have the full possession of
two years after this time to be equally divided
between them according to quality & quantity
to them and their heirs and assigns forever
excepting the bequeath to my wife and daughter
Polly. I give and bequeath to my daughter
Polly two beds and bedding four chairs and horn
and saddle two cows four sheep and bureau
and wheel and the black woman Rachael
at the decease of her mother with other arti-
cles to the amount of Twenty dollars. all which
she is to receive when she marries (if that should
take place) or when she arrives at twenty and
years of age - she is also to receive at said time
in cash ten dollars, but if any moveable estate after
William my son Robert Quaker and Samuel the

training my sons Robert Hugh and James the
legacies bequeathed to them should be insufficient
to pay my daughter Potty the thirty dollars
~~and mentioned~~ my sons Alexander Joseph
shall pay her whatever is deficient

My sons Alexander and Joseph shall furnish
my daughter Potty with necessary and proper
food while she remains unmarried

It is my wish that my family should remain
together for two years on my Plantation and
be allowed such reasonable food and clothing
out of the profits of their labour on the
Plantation as my Executors may think neces-
sary and that my Executors leave on the plantation
such necessary stock farming utensils as will
be necessary for the family for the two years
at that time

29 I order my sons Alexander and Joseph after the two
years to pay my daughter Polly fifteen dollars
annually untill she marries or arrives at twenty
and years etc. - If there should be any surplus
of my moveable Estate after paying the legacies
aforesaid I order my Executors to pay it to my wife
I hereby appoint my son James and Joseph Million
Executors of this my last Will and Testament
Witness my hand and Seal the 21st day of March 1812

Signed sealed & acknowledged

in the presence of - James Smith Seal

And Alexander

Robt A Capscote

Wm Braden

James Hall

At Rockbridge county Court June 4th 1812

At Rockbridge County Court June 1st 1800
I appearing purporting the last Will
and Testament of James Johnston dec'd was pre-
sented in Court & read by the oath of Andrew
Alexander James Gold & Robert H. Tappan the
witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded -
And on the motion of James Johnston and Joseph
William Executors therein named who made
oath according to law and with James Gold
John H. Tappan & James William their Secu-
ries entered into and acknowledged Bonds
the sum of Four thousand Dollars with
legal condition. Certificate is granted them
for obtaining probat thereof in due form.

I do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of the original as the same appears from the records of the Court of Rockbridge County June 1st 1800