

In the name of god amen I Benjamin Clements of the parish of St. Peter
 -way and County of Southampton being infirm of body but of Sound mind and
 memory praised be to god for the same And wishing to Dispose of my worldly befor

Benjamin
 Clements
 Wills
 Age or Sickness impairs my understanding my understanding or death prevent me
 do make this my last will and testament in manner and form following first
 I humbly recommend my Soul to Almighty God that gave it me Stead fastly
 trusting to his gracious Accept Their of and to have full pardon and Remission
 of my Sins thro the merits and mediation of my Blessed Lord and Saviour Jesus
 Christ and my bodys I commit to the earth to be buried in Such manner as my
 Executors hereafter named Shall think fit and as for what worldly estate it hath
 pleased god of his goodness to bestow upon me I give and dispose thereof as followeth
 my will is that my Son George Clements have the rents and profits of my plantation
 in Prince George County whereon he now lives for and during his natural life but at
 his death I give and devise that plantation together with all my land hereunto
 adjoining to be divided between my five Grand Children the Children of my Son George
 Clements (to wit) Elizabeth Thomas Lucy George & Richard Clements having regard to
 the Quality as well as the Quantity I give to them or the Survivors of them
 and their heirs forever at the time of my Son Georges decease.

Worldly
 I give and devise to my Son Benjamin Clements the plantation I now live
 together with all my land adjoining there being about Nine hundred & thirty
 Acres I give to him and his heirs forever I also give him four negroes my negro man
 Robin Parcel frank and my Negro Woman Beck to him and his heirs and

I give and devise to my Son Benjamin Clements the plantation now used
together with all my land adjoining there being about Nine hundred & thirty
Acres I give to him and his heirs forever I also give him four negroes my negro man
Robert Parel frank and my Negre Woman Beck to him and his heirs and
I do also confirm the gift of Several Slaves before given him and now in his
possession to him and his heirs

I give and bequeath unto my Son Thomas Clements four Negroes my Negro ma.
Jacob Lewis Mingo and my Negre Woman Doll to him and his heirs I do also
confirm the Gift of the Several Slaves before given him and now in his posses-
sion to him and his heirs

I give and bequeath to my Daughter Anna Clements ten Negroes my
negro man Dick my Negre woman Jana my Negro girl Patt my Negro
Boy Bob my Negro girl Beck my Negro boy Harry my Negro Se. my Negro
girl Hannah my Negro girl Beede and my Negro girl Venus to her and
heirs I also give her two hundred pounds current money of Virginia & also
her one feather bed and furniture in Chest of drawers Six Chairs and two

I give and devise to my grand Son Jesse Butts one hundred Acres of Land it being
the land that I purchased of Charles Gilliam I give it to him and his heirs forever
I give and bequeath to my Daughter Elizabeth Butts fifty current Money

I give and bequeath to my Daughter Sarah Butts my Negre woman Fat to
her and her heirs I also give I also give her fifty pounds current money of Virga.
I give and bequeath unto my nine grand children the Children of Peter Butts
(to wit) Thomas John Benjamin William James Daniel Lucy Mary and Elizabeth

Confirm the Gift of the Several Slaves before Given him and now in his possession
on to him and his heirs

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I give and bequeath to my Daughter Anna Clements ten Negro
negroes I give my Negro woman Janna my Negro Girl Patt

Bob my Negro Girl Beck my Negro boy Harry my Negro

Girl Hannah my Negro Girl Sarah my Negro Girl Maria

I also give her two hundred pounds current money of Virginia

her one feather bed and furniture my best of drawers and

I give and devise to my grand Son Jesse Butts one hundred acres of Land it being

the Land that I purchased of Charles Gilliam I give it to him and his heirs forever

I give and bequeath to my Daughter Elizabeth Butts fifty current Money

I give and bequeath to my Daughter Sarah Butts my Negro woman Pat to

her and her heirs I also give I also give her fifty pounds current money of Virginia

I give and bequeath unto my nine grand children the Children of Peter Butts

(to wit) Thomas John Benjamin William James Daniel Lucy Mary and Elizabeth

Butts to each of them twenty five pounds current money

I give unto my grand daughter Judith Gilliam my Negro boy Ned to her &

her heirs I also give her one hundred and fifty current money I also give her

one feather bed and furniture

I give and bequeath unto my Grandson Thomas Clements Gilliam

my Negro boy Daniel to him and his heirs I also give him

one feather Bed and furniture I do Give him four Cows & four Sows
 I give and bequeath unto my said grand children the Children of Thomas Peter
 Elizabeth Samuel Benjamin Thomas and Alexander Peter to each of them Sixty
 pounds current money

thirteenth I give and bequeath unto my grand Son Thomas Clements Butts four Cows
 lastly all the remainder of my estate not before given by this will
 or other wise disposed of by me I give to be divided between my Son Benjamin
 Clements my Son Thomas Clements my Daughter Sarah Butts and my Daughter
 Anna Clements and do nominate and appoint my two Sons Benjamin and
 and Thomas Clements to be executors Executors to this my Last will and testament
 in witness whereof I have hereunto put my hand and Seal this Ninth day
 of July one thousand Seven hundred Seventy Eight

in presents

Benjamin Clements

John Knight

John Brown

Thomas Peter

At a court held for the County of Southampton the 8th day of
 1778. This will was presented in Court by the executors therein named
 and proved by the oaths of John Knight John Brown & Thomas Peter the
 witnesses thereto & ordered to be recorded. And on the motion of the said executors
 who made oath according to law Certificate is granted them for obtaining a probat
 thereof in due form giving Security whereupon &c.

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Ed J. S.