

1798
In the Name of God Amen I James Wright of the County of
Southampton in the State of Virginia being sick & weak but of sound mind
and perfect Memory do make & declare this to be my last will & testament in
manner and form as followeth

1st I give to my grand son John Wright son of James Wright five shillings

2nd I give to my son Joseph Wright five shillings

3rd I give to my daughter Martha Conner five shillings to be their full share of my whole
estate not to come in for any other part of my estate

4th I give to my grandson James Wright Two hundred acres of land being the plantation
I now live on with all profits to the same belonging to him & his heirs forever

5th I give to my dear beloved wife Mary Wright all my personal Estate during her
natural life to her own disposal And I do further appoint my son Joseph Wright
my sole Executor of this my last will & testament

Void all former wills by me heretofore made & I do establish this to be my last
will & testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand &
affixed my seal this 9th day of January 1798 one thousand seven hundred
& seventy eight

James Wright
John Wright
Joseph Wright

- 2nd I give to my son Joseph Wright five shillings
- 3rd I give to my daughter Martha Conner five shillings to be their full share of my whole estate not to convert for any other part of my estate
- 4th I give to my grandson James Wright Two hundred acres of land being the plantation I now live on with all profits to the said son and belonging to him & his heirs forever
- 5th I give to my dear beloved wife Mary Wright all my personal Estate during her natural life to her own disposal And I do further appoint my son Joseph Wright my sole Executor of this my last will & Testament and I do hereby revoke & make Void all former wills by me heretofore made & I do establish this to be my last will & testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my seal this 9th day of January 1778 one thousand seven hundred

James Wright

John Purcell } At a court held for the county of Low Hampton the 1st of
 Leathes Low } May 1778
 Saphire & Fly } This will was presented in court by Joseph
 Wright the son therein named proved by the oaths of
 Purcell & Leathes Low Jurors of the said county & Ordered to be

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recorded and on the motion of the said court who made a return according
to law certificate was granted them for obtaining a probat thereof due from
giving security whereupon &c.

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I D. Ridley
and of gift
to
his children

Know all Men by these presents that I James Day Ridley of
the county of Southampton for and in consideration of the natural
love and affection which I have and do bear towards my three
children John Edwards Ridley Rebecca Ridley and Elizabeth
Ridley have given granted bargained and by these presents
do give and grant unto my said children to their heirs and
assigns forever that is to say to John Edwards Ridley and to
his heirs one third part & to Rebecca Ridley and to her
heirs one third part and to Elizabeth Ridley and to her heirs
the remaining third part of all these following slaves that
to say Doctor, Polipus, Peter, Phil, Curle, Venus, &c. &c.
Betty, Annah, Moll, Judy, Nanny, Lucy, Susan, Betty
Sam, Caesar, Anthony, Roger, Noah, Cuff, Sam, Phill, &c.

Witness my hand and seal