

The acct of Matthew Tonia admors of the estate of Joseph Denson
did find the acct justly stated, as above stated.

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Peter Butts

Benj^r Clements Secy

At a Court held for the County of Southampton the 13 day of 1770
This acct & content of the estate of Joseph Denson Deed was
reported by the persons appointed, to settle the same & ordered to
be recorded

J. Butts

James
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1770

In the name of God amen I J. Brown of the County of St. Luke &
County of Southampton being weak in body but of sound mind
do hereby certify that I have been seized of the County of St. Luke &
County of Southampton in the year of our Lord 1770 on the certain publick & declare that
this instrument of writing to be my last will & testament
I have by my wife written my beloved wife my best feather bed with all
the furniture also two very best houses which she may have &
I have given to her my wife the house & garden

James

I give unto my beloved and married son William Taylor & his heirs forever
 to have, hold, enjoy, use, sell, convey, together with their families and
 to him my son Samuel this land for ever

Also I give unto my said grandson Jeph Brown this sum of his body
 lawfully begotten power all my lands lying & being on the Indian
 branch on Catawby swamp in the County of Horry & Province
 of North Carolina likewise all my books of Surgery, my
 instrument of Surgery & all my Medicines my riding horse
 furniture consisting of Saddle & other caparisons the
 unto properly belonging my Clock Watch ^{case} still ^{case} & book case

Also I give unto my said grandson Jeph Brown this sum forever one tract
 of land containing 100 Acres to be the same more or less lying between the
 plantation herein after devised to the heirs of my daughter Polly
 Taylor & Wottoway River being part of the land bought of J. M. Miller

Also I give unto my said grandson Jeph Brown this sum forever one other tract
 of land lying in the parish of Luke County of Spton which is

Also I give unto my grandsons Jesse Brown this share of land lying in the parish of Luke County of N. York which tract I purchased of Joseph Strickling & which was patented by Oliver Woodard

Also I give unto my grandson Jesse Brown this share of the following slaves to their future owners to wit / Frank, Jacob & Anne Arney Abner London Billy Mill old Gumpy Dora & Phillis

Also I give to Leguath unto my trusty friend my son herein after named for the use & purposes herein after mentioned the following slaves together with their future owners to wit / Jack Henry Hercules George & Doll which Doll I purchased of W. Taylor & which I sold to Henry I have for some time past lent the use of to my daughter Bridget Taylor

Also I further give to Leguath unto my trusty friend my son for the use & purposes herein after mentioned the plantation whereon Thomas Taylor now lives beginning on the North side of Holloway Run at the head of the broad branch or gully down the various branches of the branch by the plantation to Holloway Run & down Holloway Run to Harris line along & line to Cobbs line from Cobbs to Whitets line

slaves to their future owners (to wit) Frank, Jacob & James Army Duntun
London Billy Mill old Gimpy Denah & Phillis

Also Agio & Leguath unto my trusty friend & my son, hereon after named
for the use & purposes hereon after mentioned the following slaves together
with their future owners (to wit) Jack Moony Hercules George & Doll
which Doll I purchased of W. Taylor & which Doll & Moony
I have for some time past lent the use of to my daughter Bridget

And I further give & Leguath unto my trusty friend & my son for the use
& purposes hereon after mentioned the plantation wherein Anne's
Taylor now lives beginning on the North side of Holloway River at the
corner of the road branch or gully down the various ^{ends} of the
branch by the plantation to Holloway River down Holloway River
to Anne's line along a line to Cobble line from Cobble Whitechapel line
along Whitechapel to a corner tree standing at Davis's landing at the
& thence down the River to the first station which stands at the
in the foregoing survey and to remain intact with my heirs & the

survivor of them then her son & admie for the said benefit &
advantage my^s daughter Ridley Taylor & her husband Kinchin
Taylor shall survive her it is my will & desire that my^s & Leon their
Heir or the survivor of them shall also hold & enjoy the aforesaid tract
of land for the use & benefit of Kinchin during his natural life
& after the death of my^s daughter Ridley Taylor I give & bequeath the
slaves herin before devised in trust for her use to be equally divided
amongst all her children & their legal Representatives & the portion
herin before given in trust for the benefit of my^s daughter Ridley
& her husband Kinchin I give & bequeath after the death of the
said Ridley & Kinchin unto the heirs of my^s daughter Ridley
And whereas I have a bill of sale from Kinchin Taylor for land
Slaves Stock & sundry articles of household furniture bearing
date the 23 day of August 1768 which is duly ~~proved~~ ^{proved} & recorded
in the Court of Southampton County I hereby direct that my^s
daughter Ridley have the use of every thing contain'd in the
said Bill of Sale during her natural life & at her death that the

daughters & they have the use of every thing contained in the
Bill of Sale during her natural life & at her death that the
same be equally divided between her children & their legal representatives
share & share alike

I give & bequeath unto my daughter Parthenia & her heirs forever the
following slaves together with their poster increase & tout Pinner
Kate & her children Dick Pompey Pinner & Toi Tachly & a
housekeeper Cherry & her son Dick provided she may so live to attain
the age of 21 years but in case she should die before either of those con-
tingencies shall happen in case it is my will that the slaves herein
before devised to her shall revert to my estate & remain as a remainder
but her heirs undisturbed off

I give & bequeath unto my daughter Fanny & her heirs forever the
following slaves together with their poster increase & tout John
Daguer & her son Liba Pinner & Geo Mosco & Fanny provided she may so
live to attain the age of 21 years but in case she should die before
either of those contingencies shall happen the slaves herein given
her shall revert in the same manner with those given to my daughter

Altho I give by bequeath unto my daughter Parthenia who here forever the
following Slaves together with their poster increase to wit
Kate & her 2 children Dick Pompey Pimmet & Toi Tachythead a
carpenter Cherry the son Dick provided she marry or live to attain
the age of 21 years but in case she should die before either of those con-
tingencies shall happen ⁱⁿ case it is my will that the Slaves herein
before devised to her shall vest to my estate Merriam as a residuum
but that is undischosed off

Altho I give by bequeath unto my daughter Fanny who here forever the
following Slaves together with their poster increase to wit / John Day
Dag & the son Liba Parus & Ned Woosie & Fanny provided she marry
or live to attain the age of 21 years but in case she should die before
either of those contingencies shall happen the Slaves herein given
her shall vest in the same manner with those ^{then} given to my daughter
Altho Merriam Francis kills left the remainder of the plantation / hereon
before devised in trust for the use & benefit of my daughter Paddy
& her husband Francis & the heirs of Francis & Paddy

~~For~~ Thomas Wells his son after the death of Temperance Wells
condition that I Tho^s should pay 150 cur^t money of his Brother
Wells upon the death of his Mother Temperance. I least I Tho^s
should fail to perform I condition it is my will & desire that the
sum of 150 be paid by my Ex^{ors} to the Brother Wells of the
immediately after the death of the s^d Temperance

Also I give unto my friend George Williams & his heirs forever a tract
of land containing 150 acres be the same more or less lying in
Hantsmore County joining his own line & the Carolina line

Also I give unto my grandson Jeph^t Tay^lor & his heirs forever my negro
named Tommy & Kate which I two slaves it is my desire that
his Mother shall have the use of until he shall attain
the age of 21 without being accountable for any part of the prof^{it}
of their labour

Also It is my will & desire that after all my Just debts & funeral
charges are paid all the residue & remainder of my Estate both
before & after my death be divided as well as the legacies

It is my will & desire that after all my just debts paid
to charges are paid all the residue of my Estate both
Real & Personal not herein before devised as well as the legacies
due to my daughter Parthenia & Jenny should they either of
them die under the age of 21 years & unmarried shall be divided
in equal parts that is to say to my beloved ~~son~~ Samuel Brown
part to the legal Representatives of my daughter Neddy
Taylor one part to my daughter Stewart Jack Atkinson
Dickens Parsons Parthenia & Jenny each one equal part
& the remaining 9 part to my grand son John Brown &
the share of my daughter Parthenia & Jenny on the
contingencies before recited to be divided equally amongst
the survivors of my said daughters or their legal Represen-
tives in equal proportions

And I do hereby appoint my beloved wife guardian to my
daughter Jenny

Wm. Brown

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Taylor one part to my daughter ~~Prudly~~ Jack Atkinson
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& the remaining 9 part to my grand son ~~Steph~~ Brown &
the shares of my daughters Parthenia & Jenny on the
contingencies before recited to be divided equally amongst
the survivors of my said daughters or their legal Represen-
tatives in equal proportions

And I do hereby appoint my beloved wife guardian to my
daughter Jenny

And Lastly I do nominate & appoint my beloved
son Samuel my son in law John Atkinson the Jack
Atkinson & Parsons & others my last Will & testament

Contained in one whole sheet paper with the follo^wing
 from one to 4 & I do hereby ratify & confirm this my Testament
 Make all former wills heretofore by me made In Witness whereof
 I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my seal this day & year
 first above written

Signed Sealed published & declared
 being last will & Testament
 in the presence of

Leffe Brown

Jones

Nicholas Meager

Abraham Mitchell

Samuel Kiddick

Benja Crookes

At a Court held for the County of Southampton
 the 13th day of December 1770 This will was

presented in Court by Samuel Brown John Atkinson Thomas
 Smith & others the said Thomas married & being examined for
 Benjamin Crookes the other executors in the probat thereof &
 having been asked & answered to the satisfaction of the Court

using said will & Testament
in the presence of
Sons

Leffe Brown

Nicholas Wager

Abraham Whitel

Samuel Reddick

Ben^a Crook

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presented in Court by Samuel Brown John Atkinson Thomas
Child & others the said Thomas Child being named for
Benjamin Parsons the other to join in the probate thereof &
proved by oaths of Nicholas Wager & Abraham Whitel
Wives of the witnesses thereto Ordered to be recorded And on the
Motion of the said Parsons who made oath according to Law a certificate
was granted them for obtaining a probate thereof in due form given
Security whereupon &c

Leffe Brown

In the name of God Amen The Deacons of the parish of St. James