

John Harris
Wife

In the name of God Amen I John Harris of Southampton County Will Book 2, 1762-1772
being very sick and weak of body but in perfect memory thank
to god for the same remembering the mortality of my body
do give and bequeath in this manner following first I bequeath my
soul to God who giveth and my body to be buried in a decent manner
according to the directions of my executors and with my last will
goods God hath been pleased to endow me with I give & dispose
of in manner & terms following VIZ

Item

I give unto my son Dueson Harris two negro boys named Jany &
Harkey to him and his heirs forever.

Item

I give unto my son Nathan Harris one negro boy named Ben
to him and his heirs forever.

Item

I give unto my son John Harris three negroes named Dick, Jany
and Will to him & his heirs forever.

Item

I give unto my son John Harris the land & plantation where
he now liveth to him & his heirs forever.

Soul to God who gave it and my body to be buried in a decent manner
according to the direction of my executors, and with respect to my

goods God hath been pleased to send me with I give & dispose
of in manner & to use following Vizt

I give unto my son Duen Harris two negro boys named James &
Barkey to him and his heirs forever.

I give unto my son Nathan Harris one negro boy named Ben
to him and his heirs forever.

I give unto my son John Harris three negroes named Dick, Jenny
and Will to him & his heirs forever.

I give unto my son John Harris the land & plantation which
he now lives to him & his heirs forever.

All the remainder of my estate I have to be sold and the money
to be equally divided between my wife & four children, Namely
Thomas, Duen, Nathan, Ann, Martha, & John,

Now I do constitute and appoint my executors Nathaniel Harris and Benjamin
 Davis my whole & sole executors of their my last will & testament in
 witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 21 day of
 March 1764

Signed sealed & published
 in the presence of

Simon Sth Harris
 mark

his
 John Sth Harris
 mark

Joseph Jones

That Court held for the county of Southampton the 13 day of Dec^r 1764
 This will was presented in Court by Nathaniel Harris one of the executors
 therein named proved by the oaths of Simon Harris & Joseph Jones
 the witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded and on the motion
 of the said executor a license according to law certificate
 is granted him for obtaining a probatⁿ thereof due forms
 giving security

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W. H. M. S.