

In the name of God. I, John Joshua Tatum Southampton
being weak of body but of sound mind & memory do make & declare
this as my last will & testament in manner following
First I Give & bequeath to my loving mother Elizabeth Tatum all my
land being on the Caten branch containing one hundred acres more
or less to her & her heirs forever the remainder part of my Estate I Give
& bequeath to my Sister Rebecca Tatum let it consist of what kind or
quantity of land & where so ever found Lastly I do appoint my mother
Elizabeth Tatum executrix of this my last will & Testament In
Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my seal this fifth
day of September Anno Dom 1775

Signed Sealed & delivered

John X Tatum (seal)
mark

In presence of
First

Thos Peete,

At a Court held for the county of Southampton the 9 day of March 1775

This will was presented in court & proved by
the oath of Thos Peete a witness thereto & Ordered to be recorded

and on the motion of James Tatum who made oath according to his certificate was
granted leave for obtaining letters as a next of kin on the Estate of John Tatum
the will was named of John Tatum with the will annexed given
Security whereupon it.