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Martha in the Name of God Amen Martha Davis
Davis
Will of her Hampton County & Parish of Nottoway being
rich & weak in body but in perfect mind & on my knees
to God for it & calling to mind the mortality of my Body
& knowing it is appointed for all Persecutions to die do
make & publish this my Last Will & Testament Principally
& first I Recommend my Soul into the hands of Almighty
God that gave it me & my Body to the Ground to be buried
in a Christian like manner at the discretion of my
Executor & as touching such worldly Estate which it
has pleased God to bestow on me within this life I give in
the following
Manner and form -

I give to my loving Sister Mrs Briant my Plantation &
all my Land also one feather Bed & furniture & one D.
& two sheets also four counterpane one large Looking Glass
three Cases & Chaises one boxen & drawers one spinning Wheel
and all the Remainder of my Estate be it in any kind or
Quantity whatsoever that can be found to be & her heirs
forever

I do hereby Appoint my truly friend Wm Briant my
Executor

made of the above. To be kept in the within and of the
following
the manner and form

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I give to my loving Sister Mrs. Bryant my Plantation &
all my Land also one feather Bed & furniture & one D.
& two sheets also four counterpane one large Looking Glass
three Cases & Balles one box of heaters one spinning Wheel
and all the Remainder of my Estate be it in any kind or
Quantity whatsoever that can be found to be of her heirs
for ever

I do hereby Appoint my Trusty friend Wm Bryant my
sole & sole Executor to this my last Will & Testament
In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed
my seal this 16 day of January Anno Domini 1767.

Witnessed Sealed Published &
pronounced in presence of

Martha ^{her} David ^{to} C
mark

Nichl. Hagel
John Barnes
Jacob Barnes

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February 1761

Now Will was presented in Court by W^m Bryant the Esq^r therein
named proved by the Oathes of John Barres Jacob Barres & M^r Nicholas Mayet the witnesses thereof & ordered to be Recorded
And on the Motion of the said Esq^r who made Oath according to
Law Certificate was granted him for obtaining a Probate giving
Security whereupon &c.

W^m Wells

W^m Wells

Moody Servy of Southampton County in Virginia being
Perfect of Mind & memory & calling to mind the uncertainty of this
Life do think Proper to make Constitution & bequeath the following
Will & Testament in manner & form following
I Give & bequeath to my dear & Loving Wife Frances All my
Estate of what nature or kind ever consisting of Negro & Stock
Household furniture &c. unto my said wife whom I make
Nominate & Appoint whole & sole Executrix of this my
Last Will and Testament Witness my hand and seal
this ninth Day of February 1757.

W^m Wells

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