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With? In the Name of God Amen I Nath^l Ridley of the County
Ridley of Southampton Parish & County being of Sound Senes
Will & memory do make this my last will & ^{Test} in manner
& form as followeth to wit: I give my Soul to God the
father of Merit in hope of receiving full Pardon for my
Sins Secondly I give my body to the Earth from whence it
was taken to be buried in an Decent Manner at the
Discretion of my ex^{ors} & ad^{ors} hereafter named
Item I give to my son Nath^l Ridley the Plantation I now live
on that is to say all the Land I hold on the South side
Ridley's Branch together with that I bought of Edmund
Matthews I give the same to him & his heirs forever
Item I give & beg^u to my son Nath^l Ridley my Water Grind Mill
by Mr. Newsoms with all the appurtenances thereunto
belonging to him & his heirs and my Will & Desire is that
the mill should be ~~re~~ rebuilt out of the profits of
the same & kept in repair till he comes of age

Witness my hand & seal this 14th day of June 1790

Discretion of my self: & so hereafter Names

Item I give to my son Nathl. Ridley the Plantation I now live on that is to say all the Land I hold on the South side Ridley's Branch together with that I bought of Edmund Mathews I give the same to him & his heirs forever

Item I give & beg^t to my son Nathl. Ridley my Water Grind Mill by Mr. Newsoms with all the appurtenances thereunto belonging to him & his heirs and my will & desire is that the mill should be ~~re~~ rebuilt out of the profits of the same & kept in repair till he comes of age

Item I give & beg^t to my son Nathl. Ridley the following Negroes to him & his heirs to wit Prince Glasgow Teaner Young Will and Deliah Scalak

Item I give to my son Day Ridley the Plantation whereon Tho^s. Mos lives on to him and his heirs forever I give to my son Day Ridley the following Negroes to wit Manuall Jude & his child Phillis & Paddy & her child Lewick to him & his heirs

12 I give to my Son Tho^o Ridley all the land I hold in the fork
Branch some by the fork Branch land on the North & Ridley
Branch I give the same to him and his heirs forever
Witness James Ridley Rob^t Pygrave, George ^{his} Stephens

Item I give to my Son Tho^o Ridley the following Negroes Luabe Lewis
Jame young Dick & Phillis I bought Joseph Jones to him and
his heirs

Item I give to my Daughter Anne Ridley my Plantation out by the
Chappel joining Simon Turner to her and her heirs forever & I
give the following Negroes Dick Judeths on the plantation
Charles Lewis Peter Phillis her Child & all their increase to her & her heirs

Item I give to my Daughter Parmillia Ridley the Plantation of
mine up the Creek whereon Benj^a Hall lives on to her & her heirs
I give the following Negroes Rose Mingo Frank George & Middy
to her & her heirs.

Item I give to my Loving Wife Priscilla the following Negroes old
Harry old Will Venus Patience to her and her Disposal my

will & Desire is that my wife Shall Live on the plantation
she now is on during her widowhood

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Item I give all the Rest of my Estate of what kind so ever to be
Equally divided between my wife & Children Namely
Nath^l Day Tho. Anne & Parnellia

And I do ordain my Loving Wife Executrix and her Brother
Arthur Appleshite & my Brother James Ridley to be Executors to
this my Last Will & Testament as Witnesses my hand And Seal
this 20th Day of October 1752

Test

Nath^l Ridley /ss/

A Court held for the County of Southampton on Thursday the
10th Day of May 1753

This Will was presented in Court by Priscilla Appleshite
& James Ridley the other Executors refusing to join in the probate
thereof proved by the oath of George Stephenson a Witness thereto and
A Court held for the County of Southampton on Thursday
the 18th Day of June 1753

The said Will was proved by the oath of Robert Bygrave