

In the name of God Amen; I Robert Jackson of the Town of Federickburgh in the County of Virginie being sick and weak But of disposing mind & memory thank God to god for the same to make publick & declare this to be my last will & Testament hereby Revoking and anulling all former y other wills & Testaments by me heretofore made declaring this only to be my last will & Testament In manner and form following: That is to say first and principally I recommend my soul into the hands of Almighty God that gave it me hoping for a forgiveness & remission of all human trespass through the merits & mediation of my blessed Lord & Saviour Jesus Christ my Body I commit to the earth from whence it came to be interred at the direction of my Executor herein after named and as to what worldly Estate it has pleased God to blesse me with I dispose of the same in manner and form following:

I implore as it is the desire of my loving wife to have an certain allowance in view of her Dower in my Estate I give and devise to my said loving wife the upper Plantation on Mapaponack together with six Negroes which she shall chuse out of my Estate also one Negroe Wench one Negroe girl and one Negroe boy which she shall likewise chuse to wait on her which said upper Plantation & nine Negroes as aforesaid I give and devise to my said loving wife for & during her natural life also I give & devise to my said loving wife the use of one hundred Pounds Annuary during her life with full Power of disposing of the same at her death to such of my children or as she shall think most convenient —

Item I give & devise to my son John Jackson all my lands in Orange County and also two lots in the Town of Federickburgh one lying and being in the old Town of number [54] which I bought of Dickie Swan Edwards the other lying and being in that part of the Town laid off by Col. Willard Executors and Number 15 which I bought of George Duckner but as the same is not yet acknowledged to me by the said George Duckner I leave the same to acknowledge it to my said son John to have and go with the rest of my Estate devised to my son John according to the direction of this my will I also give and devise to my said son John one half of my Negroes with their future increase not before disposed of to be divided between him & my other son William Jackson as soon as my son William shall arrive to the age of twenty one years I also give to my said son John one half of the nine slaves before devised to my dear & loving wife with their future increase to be divided between him and my son William at the death of my said wife; but incase my said wife shall die before my son William shall arrive to the age of twenty

On ayeors, then the Name slaves last mentioned are not to be divided till he arrives to the age of twenty one years, upon which my son John or moiety or half part of all my Personal Estates of Goods & Dells as heretofore or hereafter otherwise disposed of to be divided between him & my son William when my son William arrives to the age of Twenty one; which said Lands Negroes & Personal Estate I give and Devise to my said son John to him and his Heirs for ever, but in case my said son John die before the particular times herein aforesmentioned for his Supporting his Estate, or without a wife or Child at the time of his Death, my Will and Desire is that all the Estates & Interest which he may claim by this my Will may rest in my son William to him & his Heirs for ever; and in such case if my Daughter Mary now the Wife of Lawrence Taliaferro now living at the Death of my said son John then it is my will & desire that my son William shall pay her the sum of five hundred Pounds.

I Item I give and Devise to my said Daughter Mary the sum of One hundred Pounds Current Money, to be discounted out of what her Husband the P^r Lawrence Taliaferro now owes me as appears from my Book of Accounts, which said sum of one hundred Pounds will make up the P^r Mary's fortune of hundred Pounds the said Lawrence Taliaferro having already rec'd the sum of five hundred Pounds promised him in Marriage with the said Mary.

I Item I give and Devise to my son William Jackson aforementioned all the rest of my Estates both Real and Personal, to him and his Heirs forever when he arrives to the age of twenty one years, but if my son William shall die before he arrives to the age of twenty one years, or without wife or Child living at the time of his death, then and in such case it is my Will and Desire that all the Estates & Interest which he might have claimed by this my Will had he been living may and shall rest in my son John to him and his Heirs forever in such case if my Daughter Mary shall be living at the death of my said son William, then it is my will and desire that my son John pay her the sum of five hundred Pounds.

Whereas I have purchased of Col^r Humphrey Till a Tract of Land now called my Meadows also two Dells in this Town, one lying by the River side, the other lying in the Church which have not yet been Acknowledged to me by the said Till, and whereas I have also Purchased of William Bowler a Tract of Land lying on Mafaponap which the said Bowler bought of John Allen's Executor but as the same was never Acknowledged to the said Bowler but is now by his direction

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To be acknowledged to me, I do hereby make the said Will of the said Executor to my respects, except to my son William before the same manner as the rest of my Estate devised to him by this my Will.

Item it is my will and desire that the Profits of my whole Estate during the minority of my son William shall be applied by my Executors towards the maintenance & Education of my two Sons as far as they shall think fit of the remainder together with what money that shall be due to me at my Death to be put out to Interest on good security or in such other manner as my Executors to whom I give the guardianship of my two sons till they arrive respectively to the age of twenty one years) shall think most and best for the advancement of my two sons.

I also hereby nominate constitute & appoint my dear and loving friends John Thornton Doctor Thomas Walker & Fielding Lewis Executors of this my last Will & Testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this twelfth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and forty four.

Signed Sealed & Published to be the last Will & Testament of Robert Jackson York by the said Robert in presence of

Mercer

Francis Tyler

Robert Jackson York

In a Court held for Shaysylvania County on Monday March the 1st A.D. 1793. The last will and testament of Robert Jackson York deceased being exhibited into court by John Thornton York, one of the Executors therein named, was proved by the oaths of Francis Tyler one of the witnesses thereto and ordered to be certified, and the said Executor took the usual oath and gave bond with Fielding Lewis and Richard Brooks York, security for his true and faithful Admin of the said Deceaseds Estate and performance of his will, Liberty being reserved for the other Executors named in the said Will to try and probate when they shall think fit.

John

April 2^d 1793. administration Decided and granted to James Morton & Mr. J. Hackley who gave Bond in the penalty of £2000. with Rob^r Brooks their security

John Waller Esq

Folio from Chancery

See bonds recorded books E 12th & C 1 207.