

In the Name of God Amen Jan^{ry} 20th 1753 I George Reeves of the County
of Spotsylvania being Sick and weak in Body but of perfect Mind and Memory / Thanks
be to god and knowing that it is appointed to all men once to Die I Recommend my Soul
into the hands of God who gave it and my Body to the Earth to be buried in a decent
Manner And as to my worldly Estate with which it hath pleased god to bless me
I give and bequeath it in the following manner

In primis I give and bequeath to my Nephew Thomas Reeves the Son of Thomas Reeves
all that Tract of Land I now live upon ^{with} all the Improvements and Buildings thereon to hold
him if his heirs for ever but if he should ^{die} without Issue lawfully begotten then his brother George
to enjoy & possess the said Land he and his heirs forever

Also I give and bequeath to my Nephew Henry Reeves the Son of Thomas Reeves all the Land
I now hold lying in Spotsylvania County to hold him and his heirs forever But if he should die
without Issue lawfully begotten then his Brother John Reeves to enjoy and possess the said
Land he and his heirs for ever

Also I give and Bequeath to my Niece Patience Ball the
Daughter of Joseph Reeves one Negro Woman Named Nanny and her Increase from
this Day to her and her heirs forever.

Also I give and bequeath to my Sister Elizabeth Allen three Negroes Namely Kate
Mary & Sarah and their Increase from this day to her and her heirs for ever

Also I give and bequeath to my Niece Sarah Attwood three Negroes Namely Bessie
Juck & Will and their Increase from this day to her and her heirs for ever If she
should die without Issue lawfully begotten of her Body then my Sister Elizabeth Allen

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to Enjoy & possess the said Negroes she and her heirs forever —
Also I give and bequeath to my Niece Patience Gatenwood two Negroes named Judith
and Hannah and their Increase from this Day to her & her heirs forever But

if she should die without Issue lawfully begotten of her Body then her sister
Elizabeth Copland to Enjoy and possess the said Negroes she and her heirs forever —
Also I give and bequeath to Elizabeth Copland six Negroes Named Cambridge Nelly
Violet Rose Lucy & Paulina and their Increase from this day to her and her
Heirs forever —

Also I give and Bequeath unto my sister Elizabeth Allen my best looking glass to
her and her heirs forever —

Also I give and Bequeath to Mr. Peter Copland my Sword of Steel and silver Cup
to him and his heirs forever —

Also it is my Will That my three Negroes named General Dick ^{and} Gray together
with my whole Moveable Estate shall be sold like wise my Crop of Corn and
Tobacco both in the House and Field and that out of the Money arising therefrom
my Debts shall be paid and that what may remain after my Debts be paid shall be
Given to my brother Thomas Reeves to him and his heirs forever —

Also it is my Will That None of my Negroes shall be removed from the Crop between
the last day of March and the twentieth and fifth day of December following

Also it is my Will and Desire That my sister Elizabeth Allen shall have the Care

and Hannah and their Increase from this Day to her & her heirs forever But
if she should die without issue lawfully begotten of her Body then her sister
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Given to my brother Thomas Reeves to him and his heirs forever —

Also it is my Will that None of my Negroes shall be removed from the Crop between
the last day of March and the twentieth and fifth day of December following.

Also it is my Will and Desire that my sister Elizabeth Allen shall have the Care
of Sarah Atwoods Estate till she arrives at the Age of eighteen or till the day of
her Marriage —

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Lastly I institute and appoint my Brother Thomas Brewer and Peter
Copland to be Executors of this my last will & Testament in Writings whereof
I confirm this to be my last Will and Testament given under my hand and
Seal this twentieth day of November Anno Domini One Thousand
Seven hundred and fifty three
Signed Sealed & Declared
In the presence of us.

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George R Brewer
Mark

Henry Buchanan

John Crane

Theodore Moorison

All a Court held for Spotsylvania County On Tuesday March 7th 1754

The last will and Testament of George Brewer Deceased

In the presence of us

George News
Mark

Henry Buchanan

John Crane

Theodore Monjon

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The last will and Testament of George News Deceased
Produced and sworn to in Court by ~~at~~ Peter Copland Executor -
therein Named & was proved by the Oaths of Henry Buchanan & Theodore
Monjon two of the witnesses thereto & Ordered to be Recorded.

Jes^r W. W. Waller Clerk