

In the name of God Amen, Joseph Collins of the County of Spotsylvania being sick and weak, but of sound and perfect mind and memory, and calling to mind the uncertainty of this Transitory Life I make this my last will and Testament in manner following, first I recommend my soul to Almighty God and my Body to the earth to be decently buried, and as to what worldly Estate it hath pleased God to bestow on me with, I give and bequeath in the following manner.

Item. It is my will, that my just Debts and funeral Expenses be first paid, &c.
Item. I give unto my Grand Daughter Mary Collins one Pound and half and the sum of five pounds current money, to be paid unto her when she shall arrive at the age of twenty one years or on the Day of her marriage.

Item. I lend unto my beloved wife Susanna Collins my whole Estate both Real and Personal for and During the Term of her Widowhood, and after her Manages or Death it is my Will and Desire, that my Executors hereafter Named Do sell my whole Estate both Real and Personal, at Publick Auction, and I do hereby give the money arising by the sale of my Land to be equally Divided between my four Sons James Collins, William Collins, Thomas Collins, and Lewis Collins, and out of the money arising by the sale of my Negroes and other Estate, I give the sum of Ten pounds current money to each of my Daughters, Anne Woodman, Mary Brockman, Susanna Colson, Tabitha Carter, &c.

Mary Brothman, Susanna Golson, Tabitha Gatewood, Drucella Cook and
 Catey Glass, and if any thing Remains after such Legacies are paid, I give the same
 to be Equally Divided between my Children, John Collins, James Collins, William
 Collins, Thomas Collins, Lewis Collins. Ann Wisdom, Mary Brothman
 Susanna Golson, Tabitha Gatewood, Drucella Cook & Catey Glass

I do hereby Ordain Constitute and appoint my sons John Collins, ^{James Collins} William
 Collins, Thomas Collins and Lewis Collins Executors of this my last Will and
 Testament, hereby revoking all other Wills by me heretofore made and Declaring
 this to be my Last will and Testament, In Testimony whereof I have hereunto
 set my hand and Seal this 27th Day of August 1757.

Sealed & Published

In Presence of

P. Brock

Robert R. Gaines

Rich. Long

At a Court held for Spotsylvania County on Tuesday November the 1st 1757

This will being exhibited

4 copies held for Spotsylvania County March
 James Collins heretofore at law to Joseph Collins decd. failing to appear and
 Valley of the testator and proclamation being made according to law, it is
 recorded. Test W. Waller, Clerk

For Collins Seal

Columns, Thomas Collins, Lewis Collins, Ann Wisdom, Mary Brochman
Susanna Gholson, Tabitha Gatewood, Drucilla Cook & Mary Glase

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J. Brock

Robert R. Gaines

Rich. Long

At a Court held for Spotsylvania County on Tuesday November the 1st 1757.
This will being exhibited in Court by John Collins and Thomas Collins two
of the Executors therein named and was proved by the Oaths of Robert Gaines and
Richard Long two of the Witnesses thereto and was ordered to be recorded.

Test W. Waller Clerk

At a Court for Spotsylvania County March
the 9th 1758
James Collins had a Plan to Joseph Collins Doc-
ument & the validity of the testamentary
proclamation being made according to law, it is
ordered to be recorded.
Test W. Waller Clerk