

parish & County aforesaid and left to the said John & Joseph by their fathers Will the said fifty six and a half Acres to be Laid of the North east end of the said Land by the said parties or by any indifferent persons to be Chosen by them the two Sides & Lower end of the said fifty six and a half acres according to the Ancient known or reputed bounds there of now or late in the Tenure & occupation of the said Etheldred Taylor or his Assignes and all & singular the appurtenances therein & to belonging wheresoever or wherein the said Joseph High & John High hath any Estate of freehold of inheritance in possession reversion remainder or expectance and all the Estate Right Title Interest reversion Claim and Demand whatsoever of them the said Joseph High & John High of in and to the premises and Every part or parcel thereof To have and To Hold the said Land & all and singular other the premises herein before mentioned and Intended to be hereby granted with the appurtenances to the said Etheldred Taylor & his heirs to the use of the said Etheldred Taylor and of his heirs & assignes for ever and the said Joseph High & John High for themselves their heirs Executors and Administrators Doth Covenant & grant to and with the said Etheldred Taylor his heirs and assignes by these presents that the said Joseph High and John High now is and standeth lawfully and rightfully Seized of and in the said premises and its appurtenances of a good Sure Perfect absolute and indefeasible Estate in fee Simple and now hath good rightfull Power and Lawfull and absolute Authority To grant & Convey the said Land & premises unto the said Etheldred Taylor and his heirs according to the purport and true intent and meaning of these presents and that it shall and may be lawfull to and for the said Etheldred Taylor his heirs & assignes from Time to Time and at all times for ever hereafter peaceably to have and hold and enjoy the said Land herein before mentioned with its appurtenances without any Lawfull lett Suit Trouble or interruption of them the said Joseph High & John High their heirs or assignes or any other Person or persons whatsoever, except as is herein after excepted discharged of and from all incumbrances whatsoever to be held of our Sovereign Lord the King his heirs and Successors in free and Common Socage and not in capite or by Knights Service Yielding and paying the Quitt rents due and accustomed to be paid for the same being one Shilling for every fifty Acres yearly at the Feast of Saint Michael the Arch Angel and the said Joseph High & John High doth further Covenant that they the said Joseph High & John High and their heirs shall and will at any and at all Times hereof during the space of Seven years next ensuing the Date hereof upon request and at the Costs and Charges in the Law of the said Etheldred Taylor his heirs or assignes doe make and execute or Cause to be made or done all and every such further Act and acts Conveyances and assurances In Law whatsoever for the further and better Conveying and assuring the said Land with its appurtenances unto the said Etheldred Taylor and his heirs and assignes for ever be it by fines or fines or otherways howsoever as by his or their Council learned in the Law shall be reasonably desired or required Soe as such further assurance Contain no further Covenant or warranty then in these presents are Contained and the said Joseph High and John High for themselves and their heirs doth the same warrant and Defend against all persons whatsoever Claiming or to Claim by to from or under Them for ever unto the said Etheldred Taylor and his heirs for ever in Witness of all which the parties first above named to these present Indentures have interchangeably Sett their hands and Seales the day and year first above Written

Signed Sealed and Delivered
In the presence of
J^r. Edwards
Zacharias Madderra
W^m Edwards Jun^r
the mark of
William Edwards

Joseph High Sealed with red wax
John High Sealed with red wax

At a Court held at Southwark for
the County of Surry Novemb^r. 7. 1716

This Day appeared in Court the above named Joseph High & John High & Did acknowledge the above mentioned Contents to be Their Deall Act & Deed which is ordered to be recorded & recorded by

Allen Cur

J^r Nicholas Sepams of Lawnes Creek Parish in the County of Surry being very Aged but of sound and disposing mind & memory all Laud and praise be given to Almighty God therefore doe make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament in manner following Viz^t First and principally I Commit my Soul to Almighty God trusting & firmly believing through the Meritts of Jesus Christ my Saviour to have Everlasting Salvation and for what worldly Estate it hath pleased the Lord to bestow upon me after my Just debts and funerall Charges is dispayd, I give bequeath and dispose thereof as followeth

Item I give & bequeath unto my Loving wife Katherine for & during her naturall Life all that my Plantation Tract or Dowedend of Land whercon I now live Containing about three hundred Acres & from & immediately after her decease I give & bequeath the said Land to my Daughter Hannah Black and to the heirs of her body lawfully begotten and for want of such Issue I give the said Land to my Grand Daug^{ter} Mary Black and to the heirs of her body for ever

- Item I also give unto my Grand Daughter Hannah Black one young breeding mare four good young Cows & Calves four deep
Pater dishes 2 pater basons six pater plates one good Iron pot of about Eight Gallons the bed and furniture which I
have Lye on for some Time past my Mill and what belongs thereto which is to remaine upon my Now Dwelling Pla-
ntation for the use thereof, also one Sor. pater Spoons and a Trunk,
- Item I also further give unto my Said Grand Daughter Hannah Black & to her heirs my Indian fellow Hector and
my Negro Boy Fortune but in case the eyes before she comes of Age or is married then my will & desire is that my Grand Daugh-
ter Mary Black have my said Indian fellow and Negro Boy;
- Item I give unto my Daughter Ann Williams Two barrills of Toke —
- Item I give unto my Daughter Mary Black my Negro man Called The of white Tom & to the heirs of her body I also further give
unto my said Daughter Mary (after my wifes decease) my Negro Woman Marcah & to the heirs of her body, my wife
having the use and benefitt of her Labour during her Life,
- Item I give unto my Son In Law William Williams & to the heirs of his body (after my wifes Decease) my Negro man Tom
My wife having the use and benefitt of his Labour During her Life —
- Item My will & desire is that my said Negro Man Tom & Negro Woman Marcah Continue & remaine with my said Wife dur-
ing her Natureall Life,
- Item I give and bequeath unto my Grand Son William Williams and to the heirs of his body all my Land Lying at or near
Marshopurgo.
- Item I give and bequeath unto my Grand Son John Black & to the heirs of his body all my Lying upon the South Side of
the bridge Swamp, and for want of such Issue I give my said Land unto my Grand Daughter Mary Black and
to her heirs for ever
- Item I give and bequeath unto my Grand Daughter Katherine Williams my Plantation Lying upon Pedion Swamp Con-
taining about two hundred acres and to the heirs of her body lawfully begotten and for want of such Issue I give
the said Land to my Grand Daughter Mary Williams and to the heirs of her body for ever, I also give unto my
said Grand Daughter Katherine Williams one young breeding Mare,
- Item I give unto my Son In Law William Black all my Leather —
- Item I give unto my two Sons in Law William Williams & William Black all my wearing Cloaths To be Equally Divi-
ded between them —
- Item I give unto my Loving Friend (& to his heirs) Thelred Taylor five pounds Currant money —
- Item I give unto my Loving wife Katherine and to my two Sons in Law William Williams & William Black (after
my debts funerall expences and Legacies are paid) all the rest and Remainder of my Estate of w^h Nature kind-
property or quality whatsoever it be to be Equally divided between them —

the mark of
Nicholas N Sepsams Continued

My will and desire is and I doe hereby appoint my Friend Thelred Taylor Immediately after my decease to
Take into his Custody all that I have give to my Grand Daughter Hannah Black and Carefully to keep the same un-
till my said Grand Daughter arrives to the age of Eighteen or is married, I also desire my said Friend to Take good
Care that my said Grand Daughter have suitable Education and in case my said Grand Daughter depart this Life
before she is qualified to receive her Estate I desire and appoint my said Friend to Act the same in every respect for
my Grand Daughter Mary Black, I also desire and appoint my said Friend Thelred Taylor (Immediately after my
wifes decease to Take into his Custody the Plantation whereon I now Live and to keep the same in his Possession until
one of my said Grand Daughters is qualified to Take possession of the same,

Thereby Constitute and appoint my Friend Thelred Taylor and my Two Sons in Law William Williams and
William Black my Executors of this my Last Will and Testament in Testimony of all which I have hereunto
set my hand and Seal this 8th Day of October Anno Dom: 1715

Signed And Sealed in

the mark of
Nicholas N Sepsams Sealed wth red
wax

The presence of
Samuell 2^d & Cook
John High
Mary + Erins
the mark of

At a Court held at Southwark
for the County of Surry: 27th 1716

The wth in mentioned Will of Nicholas Sepsams Deed was presented in Court by W^m
Williams & W^m Blake Esq^r thereof who made Oaths thereto and being proved by the Oaths of Sam^l
Cook John High & Mary Erins Witnesses thereto the same is ordered to be recorded & is recorded
by

Buttock with IS about five years old, one white Gelding branded on the near buttock with a mark in this form
Vione light grey Gelding branded on the near buttock with a P. To have and to hold the afore said four
hundred and Seventy Acres of Land with the appurtenances and the aforesaid Three horses to the said Frances
Wynne and her heirs and Assigns for ever Provided always & it nevertheless agreed and concluded by and between
the said partyes to these presents and it is the True Intent and meaning thereof that if the said James Sammon
his heirs &c. or Administrators shall well and Truly pay unto the said Frances Wynne her heirs &c. the above
mentioned Consideration of Thirty one pounds Nine shillings and seven pence Sterling within one year after
the date hereof that then this present Indenture & every Clause and Article therein contained shall cease &c.
termine &c. of no Effect any thing in these presents Contained to the contrary thereof in any wise notwithstanding.
In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the day and year above
Written

Signed Sealed & Delivered

the mark of James Sammon sealed the 15th day of May 1717

In presence of Tho. Eldridge

Memorand: that on the first day of May in the year of our Lord Christ one Thousand seven hundred and
Seventeen full and peaceable possession and seizen of the Land within mentioned, was Delivered by the within
named James Sammon unto the within mentioned Frances Wynne according to the Tenour form and
Effect of the within written Deed in due form of Law.

the mark of James Sammon

At a Court held at Southwark for the County of Surry May y^e 15th 1717

This day appeared in Court the above named James Sammon and Did acknowledge the above mention-
ed Contents to be his real Act & Deed which is ordered to be recorded & is recorded by

J. M. Curri

I Nicholas Davis of Laines Creek Parish in the County of Surry being sick and weak in body but
of Reasonable Sound and Disposing memory do make this my Last Will and Testament in manner follo-
wing Viz: first and principally my Soul to God Almighty the Father of Spirits Trusting and firmly
believing Through the merits and bitter Passion of my alone Saviour and Redeemer Jesus Christ to receive full
Pardon and Remission of all my Sins when ever this mortal Life shall cease and my body I desire may be
Decently Interea at the Discretion of my Dear and loving wife and for what worldly Estate it hath pleased
the Lord to possess me withal ^{after} my Debts and funerall Charges is Defrayed I give bequeath and Dispose
of as followeth.

I give and bequeath to my Dear and Loving wife all the Rest of my Estate.

Or: Coefford John + Davis

At a Court held at Southwark for the County of Surry May y^e 15th 1717

Nicholas Davis sealed the 15th day of May 1717

The above mentioned Will of Nicholas Davis Dece: was presented in Court by Mary Davis his
Wife thereof who made Oath Thereto and being proved by the Oaths of Carter Coaffard and John Davis
Witnesses Thereto The same is ordered to be recorded and is recorded by

J. M. Curri

An Inventory of The Estate of The Estate of Nicholas Sepoms

- 4 feather Beds, bolsters & eight pillows, eight pair of Course Sheets, 4 bedsties & Cords, 17 pewter Dishes & basons, 24 Doz: pewter plates, 24 Doz: pewter spoons
- 2 Iron Spittles, 1 brass Kettle, 1 very small D^o S. D^o Skillet, 7 Iron potts, 2 p^o: Pottrahs, 5 p^o: pott hooks
- 5 p^o: of old fire Tongues, 1 still & appurtenances, 1 old Broad ax & narrow D^o & Cops Cutt & shand saw
- a shoal sett of Iron wedges 6 broad hoes Eight Thous and 10 Nails, & 100 old Iron, 16 Cowes & Calves,
- 387 Ells of Course linnen, 48 Ells fine D^o 12 yards
- Consey, 14 yards Broad Cloth, 5 felt hats, & 1 fine D^o
- 6 broad hoes, & 1 falling ax, 40 Killable hoggs, 25 Sows & young D^o one Negro man & 1 Woman & 1 Boy, & Indian man slave, 2264³ of Tobacco
- 30 Barrells of Indian Come, 17 Bushells of wheat
- 8 Bushells of salt, a parcell of Coopers Tim ber
- 2 Tunns of Tobacco h^o: 4 Gunns & a Corbine
- £ 14. — — — Cash

5. five years old Stear, & 5 young Cattle.
 1 horse, 1. Spayo, & 2. breeding mares: and 5.
 filley, & 1. sheep: 6. Chests, 6.
 1. long, & 1. Round Tables: 5. New, 5. old Frank
 2. boxes: 3. mens Tables & furniture: 1. gallon
 Pewter pott 1. pottle D^o 1. quart D^o 1. pint
 D^o 1. D^o Tankard, 2. earthen mugg, 2. old
 Pewter Cups, 1. D^o salt, 1. D^o glass bottles
 38. Gallons of Aum: 39. Gallons of Brandy
 75. Gall^o of mullapess. 1. Tunn of Rides
 140. £ of Sugar: 2. Tunns of Emly Tite
 Cask: 2. Tunns of old Cask. But stand =
 iny) D. & Co.

572 5/2: £. Toke and £ 5. 10. 4: Curr^t money
 This is a True Inventory of the Estate abovesaid to the
 best of our knowledge to the Value of five pounes

W^m Williams
 William Blake

A parcell of Goods Received from England for the Estate
 of Nicholas Sepomes without Invoice (Viz^t)
 3. p^o of Stuff: 1. p^o of Kersey: 3. p^o of paragon bodice
 52. felt hats: 12. Deep pewter Dishes: 6. D^o porringers
 12. Knives & 6. forks: 6. Cow bells. 6. Narrow axes: 6. broad
 Steel hoes: 6. m. 8. Nails.

William Williams
 W^m Blake

At a Court held at Southwark for
 the County of Surry. May 15. 1717.

The above mentioned Inventory of the Estate of Nicholas Sepomes Deceased: thus presented
 by William Blake & William Williams Executors of the Last Will & Testam^t of the said
 Deceased: was ordered to be recorded and is recorded by

William C. Cur^t

June 17 1717: A True and perfect Inventory of the Estate of John Clark Deceased: Viz
 12. Cows, seven with Calfs & five barren: 4. young Stears of about three years old: 3. two years old (Cattle)
 5. year olds Ditto: 9. Sheep: 11. young barrow hoggs & four sows & five piggs: 1. bed & furniture
 6. Pewter Dishes 6. pewter Plates & a basin: 1. Iron pott and Kettle: 1. Couch & 2. Chests and
 one Table: 1. Spitt & frying pann: 2. old Chaires

At a Court held at Southwark for ^{her} Mary Clark
 the County of Surry June 19. 1717.

The within mentioned Inventory of the Estate of John Clark Deceased: thus presented by
 Mary Clark Executrix of the Last Will & Testam^t of the said Deceased: was ordered to be record
 ed and is recorded by

William C. Cur^t

An Inventory of the Estate of George Nicholson Deceased. — April 7th 1717

To four Cattle at	3. 00. 00.
To one young horse at	2. 00. 00
To one broke horse at	2. 15. 00
To one parcell of Joiners Tooles at	1. 00. 00
To one parcell of Carpenters Tooles at	0. 15. 00
To 1. p ^o of pott Raks spitt & Tongues at	0. 10. 00
To two p ^o of Shillecards at	0. 5. 00
To a Parcell of old Iron at	0. 5. 00
To a Parcell of braces at	0. 13. 6
To a spice mortar & pestell & Syall at	0. 16. 00
To four Iron potts at	2. 10. 00
To four hoggs at	1. 4. 00
To one frying pann Cutting knife & Runlett at	0. 6. 6
To one bed and furniture at	5. 10. 00
To one Ditto at	5. 00. 00
To one bull & Stear at	1. 11. 00
To one spinning wheal & Cards at	0. 6. 00
To a Parcell of Books at	1. 00. 00
To 3. Chests & one Frank	1. 10. 00