

In the Name of God Amen, the Seaventh day of  
December in the year of our Lord one thousand  
Six hundred & Eighty. I John Taylor of the County  
of Surry in the parish of Southwark in Virginia  
Coop being well of body & of sound offort memory  
praise be given to God for the same, and knowing  
the uncertainty of this Life on Earth, and being  
desirous to sell things in order do make this my last  
will and Testament in manner and forme following  
it is to say first and Primarily I Commit my Soule  
to almighty God my Creator assuredly believing that  
I shall receive full pardon and free Remission of all  
my Sins and be saved by the precious death and merits  
of my Lord Saviour and redemer Christ Jesus and my  
Body to the Earth from whence it ~~came~~ was taken  
to be buried in such Decent & Christian manner as by  
my Excutrix hereafter Named shall be thought most and  
Convenient and as touching such worldly Estate  
as the Lord in Mercy hath Lent me my will and meaning  
is the same shall be Impleyed and bestowed as here  
after by this my will is Expressed and first I do <sup>revoke</sup> ~~revoke~~  
revoke frustrate and make void all wills by me formerly  
made and declare and appoynt this my last will and  
Testament, Item I give and bequeath unto my Loving  
wife Sarah Taylor & her heirs for ever my plantation I  
now live on with all the Land and houseing thereto  
belonging

Item I give unto my Loving Brother Wm Taylor  
one thousand pounds of tobacco Casks to be paid unto  
him within two years after my deasse  
and for the rest of my Estate of what kinde or sorte  
soever that belongeth to me in this Colony of Virginia  
I give and bequeath unto my Loving wife Sarah  
Taylor making and appoynting my said Wife sole

Exhibit of this my last will and Testament before  
 her to see this my last will and Testament duly performed  
 I witness hereof I have hereunto set my hand and  
 Seale this day and year first above written  
 Signed sealed and  
 delivered in the  
 presence of us

John Dunn

Wm M Wheeler

marks

Elias Osborne

the marks

& W. sig<sup>th</sup>

Sealed

of Jon Taylor

At a Court held for the County  
 of Surry 7<sup>th</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> 1687  
 The above Will proved in  
 by J<sup>th</sup> Oath of Elias Osborne  
 Test W Edwards

At a Court held for the County of  
 Surry May 3<sup>rd</sup> 1687  
 The above Will proved in Ct by the  
 oath of Wm Wheeler  
 Test W Edwards

Vera record<sup>r</sup>

Wor of the Jury for Presentments doe upon our oaths present these  
 men under written

Henry Francis Jun<sup>r</sup> for not planting Corns according to Law  
 John Middleton for not planting Corns according to Law  
 Wm Hoker for planting 10<sup>l</sup> on y<sup>e</sup> Saboth day by the Infor-  
 mation L<sup>th</sup> Smith  
 Cha: Jarrett and Tho: Harbottle for profaning on y<sup>e</sup> Saboth  
 day by the Informa<sup>r</sup> of James Griffin and his Wife  
 Joh: Davis for not planting of Corns according to Law

Cha: Gutterig  
 J<sup>th</sup> Robert  
 Morgan Cleanaday  
 Wm Little  
 Edward Napkin  
 Tho: Hunt

for not going to Church

Martin Thorne for not planting Corns according to Law  
 Tho: Tabor for fishing on this Saboth day by the Informa<sup>r</sup>  
 of Martin Thorne

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J<sup>th</sup> Gutterig

Edward + Newby  
 James H. Watkins  
 Thomas B. Bage  
 John Henslow  
 John Pilford

Wm W. Comins  
 Wm F. Rogers  
 Arthur Davis  
 Patrick O. Lashley  
 Charles Sandage  
 Noah N. Barfoot