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In the name of God Amen I John Stokes of Sussex County being of sick and weak of body, but of sound and perfect mind and memory, thanks be to God and calling to Remembrance the uncertainty of life, do make Constitute and Ordain this my last will and Testament in manner and form following.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Son Young Stokes one Hundred Acres of Land be the same more or less it being part of ^{the} Land that I bought of my father with all the Appurtenances thereunto belonging, or in any wise appertaining to him the said Young Stokes his Heirs and Assigns forever.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Son John Stokes one hundred and twenty nine Acres of Land be the same more or less, lying and being on the North side ^{or} of the High hill Path with all the Appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining to him the said John Stokes his Heirs and Assigns forever. Also one negro boy named Ben after the decease or Widowhood of Sarah my wife.

Item I give unto my Son John Stokes one feather bed, also one Rugg and one blanket on demand after my decease to him the said John Stokes his Heirs and Assigns forever.

Item I give unto my Son John Stokes one Cow and calf and one heifer on demand after my decease to him the said John Stokes his Heirs and Assigns forever.

Item I lend unto Sarah my wife the use of the plantation now live on containing by estimation one hundred Acres of Land during her natural live, and after her decease I give the said Land and Plantation unto my Son Nathaniel Stokes to him the said Nathaniel his Heirs and Assigns forever, with all the Appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any appertaining.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Son Nathaniel Stokes one feather bed and furniture to be delivered unto the said Nathaniel when he arrives to the age of twenty and one Year.

Item I give and bequeath to my Son Nathaniel Stokes ten pounds Cash to be delivered to the said Nathaniel directly after my decease to be put to Interest for the use of the said Nathaniel, to him the said Nathaniel his Heirs and Assigns forever.

Item I lend to Sarah my wife five negroes, to wit, Blifflon, Lucy, Dorothy, Frank, and Ben, and all the remainder of my personal Estate during her natural life or widowhood, and after her Death or Marriage, four of the said negroes, to wit, Blifflon, Lucy, Dorothy, and Frank, to be equally divided amongst my Children, excepting my Son John Stokes, and the remainder part of my other Estate to be equally divided amongst all my Children without exception.

Item I do nominate and appoint Sarah my wife and my Son John Stokes Executors and Executrix of this my last will and Testament.

Item My will is that my Estate should be Inventory'd but not apprais'd.

Item

Item I do also Revoke annul and make void all former wills and Testaments by me at any time here before made.

Signed Sealed Published and declared in presence of those whose names are hereunto subscribed.

June the 9th day one thousand seven hundred sixty and four.

Silvanus Stokes
Thomas Pennington
John Sands.

his
John Stokes. (S)
witness

At Court held for Supra County the 16th day of August 1764.

The aforesaid last will and Testament of John Stokes deceased was presented in Court by Sarah Stokes and John Stokes the Executors therein named who made oath thereto according to Law and the same was proved by the Oaths of Silvanus Stokes, Thomas Pennington and John Sands the witnesses thereto, and by the Court ordered to be Recorded. And on the motion of the said Executors certificate is granted them for obtaining a probate thereof in due form.

Teste
J. Blairborne Ck

We the Subscribers being appointed by an Order of the Worshipful Court of Supra County bearing date the 19th day of July 1764 to appraise the Estate of Joseph Cook deceased in Submission to the said Order we being first sworn have valued the said Estate in current money as followeth, to wit

To 9 head of Cattle	£ 6, 10, 0
To 1 cow & 5 Pigs	0, 10, 0
To 9 Shoats	2, 0, 0
To a parcel of Corn	1, 0, 0
To 1 plow & 3 Harnow teeth	0, 10, 0
To 2 Axes	0, 7, 6
To 1 Collar & harnow Castpaddle &c	0, 3, 0
To a parcel of Bacon	1, 5, 0
To 1 pine Table and 2 Chairs	0, 7, 6
To 6 knives and forks	0, 6, 0
To a parcel of pewter	0, 17, 6
To 1 frying pan	0, 4, 0
To 1 old hoe	0, 10, 6
To 2 Iron wedges	0, 5, 0
To 1 Lunny Comb & brush	0, 2, 0
To a parcel of Hoguallard, 1 basket and 1 Ink glass	0, 2, 6
To his wearing apparel	5, 9, 0

Anno Regni ^{II} ~~Edward~~ George tertii Regis.

A true & perfect Inventory of the Estate of John Knight deceased.

1 Horse, a parcel of leather, 1 Saddle and bridle, 1 pair stilliards, 3 pewter dishes, two basons
13 pewter plates, and 6 pewter spoons, 2 faggots, 1 Crops cutt Saw, 2 Guns, 4 Iron pottes, &
2 pair potthooks, 1 piece of Crops cutt Saw, 1 sower, 2 Chests, a parcel of Battles Wgt, 1 Comf bag
3 bonns and Carlings & Kessers & 1 Stear 2 pottbacks, 2 Mares, 1 frying pan, 1 spice master & pottes
2 battles pottes, 7 Chairs, 2 water pails, 10 Barrels of Indian Corn a parcel of Hogg, 8 Cyffes
1 botto and 1 Mugg, 2 hoes, 1 Iron wedge, 1 Harrow Tooth a quantity of Old Iron, 1 rubbing shoe
1 Axe, 1 Plow & Plow hoe, 2 faggots, 1 1/2 sett of Sear & 1 Candle mould, 1 box Iron & heaters, 2 reaphooks
1 Cart & wheels & 1 punch bowl, 1 Table, 1 Soap tub, 1 man's hatt andundry wearing apparel
1 cutting sword, 5 glass bottles, 1 bell, a parcel of Lumber, 1 Axe, 2 Hoes, and 4 Shoats, 1 cutting
knife, a parcel of knives &c. 1 Razor, a parcel of Books, 2 beds & furniture & 1 bed, 1 flesh fork
some Iron & Nails &c. a parcel of Wool, 1 Horse bolt, 9 Sheep, 3 Dughill fowls, 1 pair scales
11 pewter spoons, 2 byder baskets, 1 Augar, 3 files, some Old Iron some thread & abouts 2 pair
spectacles, 1 hone & stop, some lumber, a bowl & dister, 1 skillet some fatts 1 bell a quantity
of Bacon, & 1 drawing knife.

The above Inventory of the Estate of John Knight deceased taken the 16 day of April

William Knight Esq
Jordan Knight

At a Court held for Sussex County the 20. day of Septemb 1661.

This Inventory of the Estate of John Knight deceased was returned, and by
Ex. the Court Ordered to be Recorded.

Septs M. Laiborne etc

A true and just Inventory of all the Estate of John Stokes deceased.

5 negro one horse and two mares sixteen head of Cattle twenty head of hogg & head
of Sheep 3 beds and furniture 1 bed and Bolster, 3 Chests, 2 Tables, 4 Chairs, 4 dishes, 2 basons
& plates, 2 porringers 11 Spoons, 6 knives and forks, 1 Shoe knife, a cart and wheels, 3 spinning
wheels, 3 pair of Cotton Cards, 1 loom, 2 sets of loom gear, & Roes, 2 pair of traces 2 Collars and
hames, 7 hoes, 1 plow and 2 hoes, 3 Iron pottes, 1 brass Skillet 3 water pails, 1 washing tub 17
byder baskets 1 barrel of Indian Corn 8 bushels of wheat, 3 bushels of Salt 1 woman's Saddle and
bridle, 1 old Saddle and bridle 2 trunks 2 Beehives, 3 faggots, 6 bottles, 2 mugs, 1 punch bowl
6 sides of tanned leather, 1 raw hide, 10 Sear, 1 box Iron 7 old tubs and 1 tobacco hoghead 1 frying
pan, 2 meal bagges, 1 hand saw 1 Augar, 1 Gauge, 2 chisels, and a claw hammer, 2 files, 1 razor 4 old
books, 2 pair of Shears, a small parcel of Shoemakers tools, and £19.9.9 in Cash.

Sarah Stokes Esq
John Stokes Esq

September Court MDCLXXIV

At a Court held for Sussex County the 20th day of September 1764.

This Inventory of the Estate of John Stokes deceased was returned, and by the Court
 Ordered to be Recorded.

Teste
 A. Laiborne Esq

A Just and true Inventory of the Estate of William Sanders deceased.

Cash £6.15.1. 29th Bacon, 1 Beef, 1 feather bed and furniture, 1 Horse, 2 Chests, 2 Tables, 3 Chairs
 4 pewter dishes, 3 basons, 6 plates, 3 spoons, 1 Trenchard, 2 Iron pots and hooks, 1 Spinning wheel
 1 quart bottle, 3 faggots, 6 knives and forks, 1 washing tub, 2 basins, 2 barrels, 3 Sisters, 2 frying
 pans, 2 Iron Hedges, 1 Carpenter's Adz, 1 drawing knife, 2 Axes, 2 hives of Bees, 2 mugs
 1 Pepper box, 2 Combs, 1 Candlestick, 1 Iron pestle, 1 Taper ball, 1 Jointing Iron, 2 Iron hooks, 1 hoe
 20 Hogs, 6 Cattle, 1 Cart wheel, 1 box, 1 Gimlet.

At a Court held for Sussex County the 20th day of September 1764.

This Inventory of the Estate of William Sanders deceased was returned, and by the
 Court ordered to be Recorded.

Teste
 A. Laiborne Esq

December 29th 1763. A Just and true Inventory of the Estate of Richard Carter deceased.

Wig. 7 negro men Harry, Cesar, George, Toney, Kitt, Ned, Lewis. 4 negro women, Jenny, Lucy,
 Bessy, Agg, 3 negro boys, Boswell, Bob, Matt. 6 negro girls, Liddy, Joan, Tamar, Judy, Selah.
 Lanny. 6 Horses and Mares, 31 head of Cattle, 10 head of Sheep, 50 Hogs, 32 Goats, 6 feather
 beds and furniture, 3 1/2 Sacks blue Druffles, 1 black walnut Chest, drawing Chest, 4 Chests, 4 Tables
 10 leather Chairs, 6 Iron pots, 2 box Irons & 1 pair heaters, 1 Copper Kettle, 1 brass do, 1 pair spoon
 moulds, 2 Iron Skillets, 2 frying pans, 10 Stone faggots, 2 Stone potted mugs, 9 quart bottles, 7 pewter
 dishes, 4 pewter basons, 3 1/2 pewter plates, 1 porringer, 70 spoons, 20 Sancers & 8 tea cups, 1 Tea
 Kettle, 1 Coffy pot, 6 Coffy cups, 1 Tea pot, 1 milk pot, 12 earthen plates, 5 punch bowls, 2 butter
 Potts, 5 Stone mugs, 2 dram glasses, 1 tumbler glass, 1 Bucket, 2 Sallets, 1 pair money scales, 1 plate
 1 looking glass, 4 Iron Candlestands, 2 Basons, 1 horse, 1 table & 9 other small bound books, 10 small
 paper books, 2 bottles, 1 pair Candle Snuffers, 2 Canisters, 1 Cart and wheels, 2 sets horse harness
 1 Chair and harness, 2 women's pair Saddles, 4 men's saddles, & 8 bridles, 3 Spinning wheels
 5 pair Cotton cards, 3 pair wool cards, 130^{lb} fine Cotton, 46^{lb} 3rd tobacco, 30^{lb} Indigo, 82 barrels Corn, 1 Set
 Carpenter & house joiner's tools, 1 Set Cooper's & part of a Set of Turners do, 1 whip & 1 cross cut Saw
 2 Chimneys, 2 pair tongs & Shovel, 1 pair horse shavers, 2 brushes, dozen knives & dozen forks, 7 hammers
 hammers, 10 shovels, 6 Axes, 5 broad hoes, 5 narrow dills, 9 empty tubs & tobacco Hogheads, 7 Cider Casks