

May Court M D C C L X V I

In the Name of God amen I Matthew Whitfield of the Parish of Albemarle
and County of Sussex being Very weaked body but of a sound and disposing mind &
Memory Desires to good make and ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner
and form following viz. First and principally I requireth my soul to Almighty God —
that gave it, and for what Estate it hath placed the Lord of his Great Mercy to bestow upon
upon me I give and desirous as followeth. —

Item I give and Devise to my son Thomas and his heirs forever my Lands and Plantation Spanish
of John Edwards containing one hundred, Twenty Acres whereon my feather bed, yds. of Bedding
one Negro Boy named James two Cows of calves Two Ewes & Lambs.

Item I give and Devise to my Daughter Leonard and her heirs or assigns one Negro girl named
Tilly or feather bed and Turnover Two Cows of calves Two Ewes & Lambs.

Item I give and Devise to my Daughter Jenny his heirs or assigns one Negro girl named Allie
my feather bed & Turnover Two Cows of calves Two Ewes & Lambs.

Item I give and Devise to my son William his heirs or assigns ever my College Plantation
where on I now live one Negro Boy named Hobbin my feather bed, yds. of Turnover Two Cows and
calves Two Ewes & Lambs.

Item I give and Devise to my Daughter Mary and her heirs or assigns one Negro girl named
Tulene one feather bed and Turnover Two Cows and calves Two Ewes & Lambs. —

Item I had the afo' labour and profits of my free Negro James Jack men Turney & Cal
woman with all the remaining part of my Estate and before disposed of to my Daughters leaving
me undividing his Natural life and at the Decay of my living afo' I give and
devise the said poor Negro James Jack Turney & Cal with all the remainder of my
Estate to be equally divided between my five children Thomas, Pompey, William and
Mary and also this my Estate may not be apportioned & conflicted and especially my
Loving wife Anna and my son Thomas to be my sole and the executors of this my last
Will and Testament I witnesseth that I have set out my hand and affixed my seal
this 22 day of September 1764. —

Sign'd, published and declared
by the said Matthew Whitfield to his
Suff. Will & Testament in presence of
John Bellamy 3
Edward Bellamy

Matthew Whitfield

At a Court held for Sussex County the 21 day of May 1767

The last Will and Testament of Matthew Whitfield above named presented in Court by
Ann Whitfield one of the —— Testators therin named who made oath that the same
bearing date of the name was proved by the oaths of John Bellamy & Edward Bellamy

(11) Anno Regni Septimo Georgii Tertii Regis

Item of the Writings & Muster by the Court ordered to be recorded and on the Motion of the said Assem-
bly certificate is given to witness a probate there of in due forme —

John Laffley
of Newhaven in the County of Sussex Esq
Age 60

In the Name of God Amen John Laffley of Sussex County being in
perfect sound health the wife and memory thinks to almighty god for the same and know his
Appointed for all men unto die to make and ordain this my last will and testament
manner and forme as followeth First of all write into the hand of God that we are here in
body to the ground to die to live in a Christiane & the manner of the resurrection of my Soul to
hereafter named and for what worldly goods I have given god to bless me with almygyn
is they should dispayre no further.

Item I give unto my son William Laffley all the lands that I have given to my said son William
hastily to him his heirs forever.

Item I give unto my said son William Laffley my Negro named Agatha and her issue to bring
his heirs forever —

Item I give unto my Daughter Elizabeth Laffley one further bed of four volume —

Item I give unto my Daughter Anne Laffley Countye of Hertford —

Item I give unto my Grandson John Laffley my fist bed to hold and after all my friends and wife —

Item I give unto my Son son William Laffley my house called Laffley and Shays —

Item I give unto my said son William Laffley two further beds one of four volume and all my other he
had stuff —

Item I do hereby appoint my said son William Laffley and Willm Roberts to be my sole an
sole executors of this my last will and testament to witness whereof I have written with
hand and affixed my seal this twentieth day of January 1767 —

Harmon Bristow

Patrick Laffley
mark

John X Laffley
mark

No bond held for Sussex County the 18th day of June 1767 —

The last Will and Testament of John Laffley deceased was presented to Court by William Laffley
Executor there in named who made oath that he as the true executors of the same was proved by
the said Harmon Bristow and Patrick Laffley — — — the Writings attested by the said executors