

May Court MDCCLXXIII

In the Name of God Amen This twenty fourth day of April one thousand seven hundred and seventy three I John Hardie of Halifax County being very sick & weak the of a perfect and sound disposing mind and memory thanks be to God for it however not knowing how soon my Change may come Do therefore ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following Viz

Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Sarah Roulit one Bed and furniture and such other things as she has in possession to her & her heirs forever

Item I give and bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth Mann one bed and furniture which she has in possession also one Corn & Calf to her & her heirs forever

Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Rachel Sturdivant one bed and furniture one Corn & Calf which she has in possession to her and her heirs forever

Item I give and bequeath to my son William Hardie all my Land on the north side of the hunting Quarter swamp also my Negro Boy Jacob also one Bed and furniture also one Corn and Calf also six plates and one Bason also one deff also one Iron pot also one belmatal Shillet also one Cow and Lamb to him & his heirs forever my desire is that my Wife may live on my plantation that I have given to my son William Hardie till such times as she can get a house built on my son Thomas Hardie's Land

Item I give and bequeath unto my son Thomas Hardie my Negro Girl Man also all my Land lying in the fork of the hunting Quarter swamp also one Corn & Calf also one Bed & furniture also one Currant six plates also one Chest also one Cow and Lamb to him and his heirs forever My desire is that if either of my sons which I have given my Land to should die before they come of Age or Lawful Issue that the surviving party may have all my Land

Item I give & bequeath to my Wife Sarah may Bay mare also one Womans Saddle also six plates two dishes one Bason one Iron Pot one Chest one Spring one Wheat & Corn also half of the Cotten the other part to my Daughter Rachel Sturdivant I also give my Wife one sword & pike one Loom and gear two Sheep also my Negro Man depending her life or Widowhood and then to my son Thomas Hardie and his heirs forever My Will is that all my Estate not heretofore mentioned may be sold to discharge my debts and if any thing remains over after all my debts is paid my desire is that

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is shall be equally divided between my Daughter Rachel Stewart and my Grandson John Blanton to them & their heirs forever &c.

I Give & Bequeath to my Son Richard Hardie such of my Estate as he has in his possession also my wearing apparel to him and his heirs forever I constitute and appoint my son William Hardie Executor with my wife & daughter Hardie Executors of this my last Will & Testament, In Witness whereof I have set my Hand & Seal the day & Year above written &c.

Signed Sealed & delivered

In presence of

Robert Whitehead

Seal & Seal

Joseph Dennis

John Hardie

A Court held for Sussex County the 20 day of May 1773
The last Will & Testament of John Hardie deceased was presented into Court by Sarah Hardie William Hardie the Executors therein Named who made oath thereunto as the Law Directs And the same was proved by the Oath of Joseph Dennis & Robert Whitehead two of 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 Probate thereof in Due form.

An Inventory of the Estate of Charles Blizard Deceased

1 Bed & furniture	£ 2 0 0
1 Ditto - 2 ^d	2 5 0
1 Ditto of Bag of feathers	1 10 0
3 Sheets	0 8 0
2 Blankets	0 13 0
1 Room Slay of Harness	0 3 0
4 Tubbs of old Barrels & 1 Gum Satt 5 th	0 13 0
parcel of Seed & picked Cotton	1 10 0
1 Saddle of Bridle of horse harness	16 0
2 Stone Jug 3 rd parcel of Wood 3 rd 3 Water pales 3 rd	0 11 0
3 Iron pokers 3 Barrows & Spoons 2 plates	1 5 0
2 Iron pokers 1 Iron Skillet	13