

October Court M^d & C^t L^d X^o.

to my own Right Heirs in Fee Simple forever. Lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my Wife Lucy and my Son Gray Briggs Executors of this my last Will & Testament to which I have set my Hand & affixed my Seal this 16th day of December 1772.

Signed Sealed Published & Testified
by the said Horwell Briggs to be his last
will & Testament in Presence of
Jes^t William Timberlake
Butler Raiborne.

Horwell Briggs Test

At a Court held for Sussex County the 21st day of September 1775,
The within written last Will & Testament of Horwell Briggs deceased
was presented into Court and proved by the Oaths of William Timberlake
& Butler Raiborne the witnesses thereto. & at another Court held for the
said County upon the 16th day of November next after the aforesaid 21st
day of September Gray Briggs one of the Executors named in the said
last Will & Testament appeared & made Oath thereto as the law directs
and the said Will & Testament was ordered to be Recorded; and on the
motion of the said Gray Certificate is granted him for obtaining a
Probate thereof in due form with liberty to Lucy Briggs, Executrix
named therein to join him in the said Probate when she shall see
fit.

Teste

A. Raiborne C. C.

In the Name of God Amen The 21st Day of April 1775 I Mary
Wife of the Parish of Allmarle in the County of Sussex calling to mind the certainty
of Death & the uncertainty of this Transitory life do make constitute & ordain this my
last Will & Testament in manner & Form following. That is to say first and principally I
recommend my soul into the hands of almighty god who gave it me hoping for salvation thro:
the merit & Mediation of my blessed redeemer (Jesus Christ) And as for my body I recommend it to
the earth to be Decently buried at the discretion of my Executors hereafter named. And as for
my worldly goods where with it hath pleased providence to bless me with I give and dispose
of as followeth

I give and bequeath unto my loving son Henry Atty my negro boy (Brid) up condition that
he pay unto his Sister Elizabeth Parkham and to his Brother John Atty each one third

Anno Regni quintus decimo Georgii tertii Regis

of the value of the said negro boy, which value to be estimated by any two or three Gentlemen, my dear children may agree on

Also My Will and desire is that all the rest and residue of my estate of what nature kind or quality soever, be Equally divided amongst all my loving children and in case any of them be dead then to the Issue of such child or children in equal proportion as above that is that the children of such deceased child shall receive and be entitled to the part or portion that the parent would be in case he or she were living

Lastly I do nominate constitute & appoint my three loving sons, William, John, Henry, Hooper and my loving sons in law James Battle & Thomas Bowham junior my Executors of this my last Will & Testament hereby revoking all former Wills and bequests and declaring this and no other to be my last Will and Testament, In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the day and year above written

Signed & Sealed
in presence of

James Barnes
Richard Mason
David Mason

Mary Hooper
Mark

At a Court held for Sussex County the 16th day of October 1775

The last Will & Testament of Mary Hooper dec'd was presented into Court by Henry Hooper one of the Executors therein named who made oath thereto as the law directs and the same was proved by the Oaths of James Barnes and Richard Mason two of the Petitioners thereunto by the Court ordered to be recorded, and on the motion of the said Henry Hooper Ex^{or} certificate is granted him for obtaining a probate in due form

Jus

W. Claiborne C.S.C.

Being dissatisfied with the provision made for me by the Will of my late Husband Howell Briggs deceased and proved in the Court of Sussex. Thereby declare I will not accept, receive, or take any legacy or legacies to me given and bequeathed or any part thereof, and do renounce all benefit which I might claim by such last Will, and demand my Dower of all the lands whereof my said husband died seised, and also such share of the personal Estate of my said husband as by a certain Act of Assembly made in the fourth Year of Queen Anne is directed. Given under my hand this Nineteenth day of October Anno Domini 1775.

Executed in presence of

Buller Claiborne

William Lamb

To The Worshipful Court of Sussex

At a Court held for Sussex County the 16th day of October 1775

The afore written renunciation of Lucy Briggs of her husband Howell Briggs dec'd his Will & Testament was proved to be the act & Deed of the said Lucy by the Oaths of Buller Claiborne Ex^{or} William Lamb Witnesses thereto and by the Court ordered to be recorded Teste

W. Claiborne C.S.C.