

Anno regni quintus decimus georgii tertii regis

An Inventory of the Estate of Joshua Meachurn Deceased vizt.
 One Negro woman & two children vizt. Patty & Judy Girls 1 Mare 2 feather beds
 of furniture 2 Beds without furniture, 1 Chest of drawers 1 Gun & powder Horn
 1 crooked Saw 1 Reap Hook, 3 small dishes a Bason 1 plate 10 Spoons
 2 pots 1 Hot Mocha, 1 Box iron 2 Washing Tubbs 4 Water pails a parcel of
 old Barrels 4 Hoes & an old ^{hand} Saw 2 Drawing Knives & 2 old Bells 2 spin-
 ing Wheels & 2 pair of Cotton Looms, 1 Ax 1 Sword & Bayonette & a parcel of
 Tobacco 3 Geese & 3 poultry, 2 Harrow Teeth a pair of Stilt shoes 1 Mogshead
 jointer, 1 know & Mower 1 ladder back 1 pair of fire tongs 2 Bow Hides 1 pair
 of Iron wedges 1 Slay 1 Grinding stone 2 Saws & 1 Sheat
 Taken this 27th day of February 1775. Banks Meachurn Exor.

At a Court held for Suffolk County the 17th day of August 1775.
 This Inventory of the Estate of Joshua Meachurn Deceased was presented
 Ex^o into Court & ordered to be Recorded.
 Lestie A. Maiborne J.C.

In the Name of God Amen. I William Parham of the Parish of Albemarle
 County of Suffolk being in sound & disposing mind & Memory / Thanks
 be to God for the same, do make & ordain this my last Will & Testam-
 ent in manner & form following vizt.

I desire that my just Debts be paid and that my Executors herein after
 named do make Sale of my Estate in such things & in such manner as
 they shall think most proper for effecting the same.

Also I Give & Bequeath unto my Sons Thomas & John Parham & to
 their respective Heirs & Assigns forever all my Lands in the County of
 Brunswick and that the same may be equally divided between them
 as soon as may be after my decease. That my Executors do choose three able
 discreet Men to make such division and that the division so made shall
 be binding between the Parties

Also I Give & Bequeath unto my Son Lewis Parham & to his Heirs
 & Assigns forever all that part of my Tract of Land whereon I now live
 lying & being on the North west side of the Road called Mardwood Road.

Also

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Also I Give & Bequeath unto my Son William Parham & to his heirs & Assigns forever all my Lands lying on the upper side of a new-chopped line beginning at a large white oak on the bank of Northway River thence nearly a North West course to a pine in a slash, thence to a Butternut wood on the side the long slash, thence to a willow oak in a nother slash just without the plantation thence a long the said new chopped line to three Butternut woods on the side of the aforesaid Harwood Road, and thence up the said Road to my out or upper line.

Also I Give unto my Loving Wife Mary during her natural life my Lands & plantation whereon I now live lying between the above mentioned new chopped line & within Harwood Road aforesaid & the River and after her Decese I Give & Bequeath the aforesaid Land unto my Son Stephens Parham & to his heirs forever

Also My Will & desire further is that (after my Debts being paid as aforesaid) my whole Estate (not herein before mentioned) or intended to be given away) be it of what nature kind or quality soever, be equally divided, betwixt my Loving Wife Mary my Children Thomas, John, Lewis, William & Stephens Elizabeth Frances, Rebecca & Sarah Parham and it is my Will & desire that my Executors as soon as conveniently may be choose three able & discreet Men to make such division.

Nevertheless it is my Will & desire that every proportion my whole Estate & my Debts being paid as aforesaid) be kept together & that my Wife & Children be maintained out of the profits arising therefrom, and whenever any Child shall arrive to the Age of twenty one years or more (which ever may first happen it is my Desire that they have their proportion as is herein before directed to be allotted to them together with the increase of the Slaves if any such may happen in the time

Lastly I constitute & appoint my Loving Wife Mary Parham my Son Thomas Parham & my friends David Mason & William Mason whole & sole Executors of this my last Will & Testament In witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand & affixed my Seal this thirteenth day of November One thousand seven hundred & twenty four

Signed Sealed published &
Declared in presence of

Benjamin Jones
Mary Mason
Thomas Williamson

William Parham (Seal)

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Anno regni quinte decime georgii tertii regis

At a Court held for Sussex County the 17th Day of August 1775
 The within Written last Will & Testament of William Parham deceased
 was presented into Court by William Mason & Thomas Parham two
 of the Executors therein named. who made Oath thereunto as the Law di-
 recteth & the same was proved by the Oaths of Benjamin Jones & Mary
 Mason 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 a probate thereof in due form whereupon they with
 William Mason Richard Howwell Nathaniel Durrum their Secu-
 rities entered into Acknowledgement their Bond for their due performance
 of what the Law in that case directeth.

Teste A. Laiborne C^lk

In the Name of God Amen. I Richard Milt of the County of Sussex being
 of perfect mind and memory do make and ordain this my last Will and
 Testament thereby revoking & disannulling all former Wills or Testaments
 by me heretofore made in manner & form following that is to say.
 I bequeath I lend to my Beloved wife Margery during her natural Life the use of my tract
 of Land whereon I now live which is divided from the Brick House tract in
 the following manner Beginning at a Gum in South west corner thence
 by a line of marked trees up to the old field which is now Tobacco ground
 thence a straight course to the spring at the main Road thence to the
 Canal of the Mill and up the Goose pond gut to Michael Mille corner tree being
 a red oak. I also lend my beloved wife during her natural Life all my right &
 Interest I purchased of John Platt as also a Tract of Land I purchased of
 Thomas Chambliss, I also lend my Beloved wife the use & Labour of the follow-
 ing Slaves to wit Albem, Violet, Nancy, Phoebe York, Chimah, Brick house
 Lemmy, Amey, Gold, Annakay, little nan & Sampson also all the cattle Hogs
 that the Sheep belonging to the manor plantation with all the residue of my
 household furniture except things hereafter given away with all the plan-
 tation Utensils at the said plantation, my riding chair & Hearnets bone bag
 Horse & grey Colt & Hay Mares all during her natural Life as aforesaid I also
 devise that my Beloved wife may have Ten Barrels of Corn & Ten Bushels of

Wheat

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1 Quitting wheel 1/6 1 Pot Pan Shillet and Potrack 8	9.6
2 old horse Tonges & pistle 5/ 1 Sifter & 1 Search 1/6	0.0
1 Womans Saddle 20/ a parcel of old Tubs & Pales 10/	10.0
a parcel of best harness 3/ a parcel of old Tubs 8/	11.0
8 Dishes 30/ 5 Basins 10/ 6 Plates 8/	2.8.0
12 Plates 15/ 1 Old funnel & Patty pans 1/3	16.3
5 Dishes 16/ a parcel of Plates & Spoons 10/	1.6.0
a parcel of Knives & forks 8/ 2 old Horse Irons & Heaters 5/	13.0
a parcel of Jugs & Butte pots 10/ 28 Bottles 7/	1.7.0
^{4 parcels of glass 20/ a parcel of old tin 17/6} 4 Hook locks 8/ 1 Old Saddle 3/ 2 Horn Mugs 2/6	1.7.6 11.6
a parcel of old Lumber 5/ 1 lb. Money scales & weights 10/	15.0
1 lb. Money scales & Trunk 1/3 1 old Cradle 1/	2.3
2 lb. Syllards 15/ Razors Thomas & Shaps 8/	1.1.0
a parcel of Earthen Ware 1/ a parcel of Fodder 5/	9.
1 Copper Coffee pot 5/ 1 Trow 2/6 1 old Brush 2	7.10
3 Iron Wieggs 7/ 1 Copper Sauce pan 2/6	9.6
3 lb. old Carbs 4/ 1 Meal Bag 2/	6.6
1 Basket 1/6 2 old Hoes 8	2.2
1 Old pocket Book 1/	1.0
	135.0.0

In obedience to an Order of the Worshippful Court of Supra
We the subscribers being first sworn have appraised the Estate of William
Sykes dec'd as it stands stated in Current Money of Virginia & no more
in Witness whereof We have set our hands, Thomas Whitfield Admor. Geo. Rivers,
William Dunn Wm Mason.

At a Court held for Supra County the 16th Day of May 1776

This Inventory & Appraisalment of the Estate of William Sykes dec'd was
Exd. returned into Court & Ordered to be Recorded.

Teste

W. Claiborne, Ck

An Inventory and appraisalment of the Estate of William Pasham dec'd taken 12 th Oct 1775	
1 Negro Man Jupiter L60 1 D. Tony L25 1 D. Will L70	155.0.0
1 D. Butter 50 1 Woman Sall 2 Children Tabb & Delany 100	150.0.0
1 Dillo Nutty and 2 D. Sam & Simon	90.0.0
1 Dillo Rose and 1 D. Fanny	70.0.0

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1 D. 210 - 1 D. 20 - 3 pine chests V 1 Trunk 16/3	18	16	3
8 Shirts 23 - 4 Table cloths 25/3 pillows base V Towel 3/9	2	8	9
a Parcel books 20/ 1 Whip Saw 7/6 1 horn Razor V 2/6	1	10	0
1 Woman's Saddle 7/6 - 3 boxes 3/9 - Saps & harness 20/	1	11	3
1 Old Quilt frame V Quarter Loom 7 - 1 1/2 Mol yards 3/6		4	1
2 Shirts 10/ a Parcel Leather 3/9 1 Baymatt 2/6		16	3
1 brush 7 - 11 1/2 Cards 3/ 46 Gun 57/6	3	3	1
100 Chickens 30/ 269. Barn Corn @ 6/	82	4	0
167 1/2 Bush. Wheat @ 3/ 11. Bush. Oats @ 1/3	27	13	10
27. Sheep @ 6/ 1 Sorel Mare 2/5. 1 Black horn 2/10	33	2	0
1 Dash. Gray Colt 2 30 - 1 Bay filly 2/10 1 Old Gray horn 2/7	27	0	0
1 Black filly 2 12 1 Roan Horn 2 15	27	0	0
3 plows V box 15/ 2 barrels V 3 boxes 6/6	1	1	6
5 Oxen 2 17. 10 - 35 head cattle 2 37 17. 6	53	7	6
80 head hog @ 8/ 1 Jointer V George 2/6	32	2	6
3 bags 3/6 - 1 Gun 15/ 1 Chest 5/	1	3	6
	1188	6	5

W^m Mason, The Parisham Exors.

In Obedience to an Order of the Worshippful Court of Sussex County bearing Date August Court 1775 We the Subscribers being first sworn have appraised in Current Money the Real & Personal Estate of W^m Parisham deceased as above Given under our hands this 12th Oct. 1775.

Law^r Gibbons jun. W^m Warbrough John SmithAt a Court held for Sussex County this 19th Day of Sept. 1776.

This Inventory & Appraisalment of the Estate of W^m Parisham deceased was returned Exd. & by the Court Ordered to be Recd.

Teste

W^m Calverton Esq

In the Name of God Amen the Nineteenth Day of August Anno Domini 1775 I William Brown of the County of Sussex being Weak in Body but of sound mind & Memory do constitute make and ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following

I give & bequeath five pounds to my Son Henry Brown & his Heirs

twelfth and after her death I desire that the above mentioned may be equally divided among all my brothers and sisters. I leave my brother David Anderson Executor of this my last will and Testament receiving all for my Wills hereto made. In Witness &c.

March the 7. 1778.

Signed and delivered
in presence of

Harwell Marable.

Sarah Wallis.

Rebecca ^{her} Wallis.
mark

James Anderson



A Court held for Sussex County the 12th day of June 1778.

The last will and Testament of James Anderson deceased was presented into Court by David Anderson the executor therein named who made oath thereto on the law directs and the same was proved by the oath of Harwell Marable Sarah Wallis witnesses thereto and by the Court, ordered to be recorded; and on the motion of the said Executor his petition is granted him for obtaining a Probate thereof in due form.

Test William Scarborough J. C.

1777 The Estate of Cap^t William Parham dec'd. In Dec^y with the Judges &c.

Dec^r 19. To Mr. Mary Parham Widow of ^{decedent} 1716. By 21 Slaves valued at \$2160.---

To 9 Children viz: Tho^s. Ely^t.
John, Frances, Rebecca, Sarah. 1944. ---
Lewis, William, & Stephen. \$2160. ---
\$2160. --- each

Mr. Mary Parham

To 2 Negroes of y^r dec'd Husband
Estate viz: Will \$150 - (P^rson) 210. ---

\$60. ---

To Money in Ely^t. Parham's \$61. ---
Hand \$216. ---

By Contra
By Proportion her dec'd Husband
Slaves \$216. ---

Mr. Thomas Parham

To 2 Negroes viz: Lydia & Libby
Sall \$60. ---

\$220. ---

By Contra
By Proportion his dec'd Father's
Slaves \$216. ---
By Lewis Parham \$220. ---

Mr. Ely^t. Parham

To 2 Negroes viz: Patrick & Dinah \$120. ---

\$215. ---

By Contra
By proportion his dec'd Father's
Slaves \$216. ---
By Mary Parham 60. ---
By Lewis Parham 120. ---
By John Parham 60. ---
By Sally Parham 40. ---
By Stephens Parham \$245. ---

Mr. John Parham

To 2 Negroes viz: Toney & Sall \$150. ---

\$210. ---

By Contra
By proportion his dec'd Father's
Slaves \$216. ---

To Ely^t. Parham

\$210. ---

By Contra
By proportion her dec'd Father's Slaves \$216. ---
By Sally Parham 40. ---
\$220. ---

Mr. Frances Parham

To 3 Negroes viz: Ball & Simon \$150 - (P^rson) \$30

\$220. ---

<u>Mr Rebecca Parham</u>		<u>By Contra</u>	<u>Ex</u>
To 2 Negroes Wgt Peter & 160. Tommy	\$220.00	By Proportion her deced Father's	\$216.00
160.00		Slaves	
		By Sally Parham	\$220.00
<u>Mr Sarah Parham</u>		<u>By Contra</u>	<u>Ex</u>
To 2 Negroes Wgt Row & 110. Robin	\$200.00	By Proportion her deced Father's	\$216.00
160.00		Slaves	
To Eliz ^t Parham	11.00		
To Frances Parham	11.00		
To Rebecca Parham	11.00		
To William Parham	11.00		
	\$216.00		
<u>Mr Lewis Parham</u>		<u>By Contra</u>	<u>Ex</u>
To 3 Negroes Wgt Frank & 140. Ned	\$200.00	By Proportion her deced Father's	\$216.00
135.00		Slaves	
To Thomas Parham	11.00		
To Eliz ^t Parham	12.00		
	\$216.00		
<u>Mr William Parham</u>		<u>By Contra</u>	<u>Ex</u>
To 2 Negroes Wgt Matt & 140. Samy	\$220.00	By Proportion her deced Father's	\$216.00
180.00		Slaves	
		By Sally Parham	4.00
			\$220.00
<u>Mr Stephens Parham</u>		<u>By Contra</u>	<u>Ex</u>
To 2 Negroes Wgt Lucy & 130. Tabby	\$215.00	By Proportion her deced Father's	\$216.00
185.00		Slaves	
To Eliz ^t Parham	1.00		
	\$216.00		

At the Request of the Executors of the within named William Parham deced we have valued the Slaves of the said Decedent & allotted to each of the Legatees as above stated. Given under our Hands this 19th day of December 1777.

Thos. Vaughan
Wm. Yarbrough
Robert Jones

At a Court held for Sussex County the 18th day of June 1778
This Division of the Estate of William Parham deced among his Wife and Children made agreeable to the Directions of his last Will and Testament was returned and by the Court Ordered to be recorded

Teste
Will. Claiborne J^r C. S. C.

At a Court held for Sussex County the 16th day of July 1778

The last Will and Testament of John Cargill deced was further proved by the Oaths of George Rivers and Timothy Rivers two other Witnesses thereto and on the Motion of Ann Cargill Executrix named in the said Will who made Oath thereto as the Law directs Certificate is granted her for being joined in the Probate with the Executors

Teste

Will. Claiborne J^r C. S. C.

306. Gentlemen, I disclaim all Legacies & Provisions made by my late Husband Warwick Gilman decd. in his last Will & Testament & desire this may be recorded Given under my Hand and Seal this 16th Day of July 1778.

Wits J^o Mason Ju^r

Rob^t Parkam

Joan ^{her} Gilman ^{Seal}
Mark

To the Worshipful Court of Sussex County

At a Court held for Sussex County the 19th day of July 1778.

This Renunciation of Jane Gilman Widow of Warwick Gilman ^{his will} decd. was proved
Ex. to be her Act and Deed and by the Court Ordered to be recorded.

Teste

Will. Claiborne J^r C. S. C.

In the Name of God Amen I Phoebe Freeman of Sussex County being sick and weak of Body but of sound and perfect Memory do make & declare this my last Will and Testament In Manner and form as followeth First I give my Soul to Almighty God who gave it me in humble Hopes of a joyfull Resurrection through the imputed Righteousness of Jesus Christ and my Body to mingle with fellow Clay while the sound of the Arch Angels And as touching worldly Good wherewith it hath pleased Almighty God to bless me I give in Manner and Form as followeth First I desire that all my just Debts be well & truly paid. Item I give and bequeath unto my Daughters Prudence Punn my riding Saddle to her & her Heirs forever. Item I give and bequeath unto my Daughters Cisca one small iron still one Do frying Pan two deep puter Dishes one of the best puter Basons three best puter Plates three Do spoons to her and her Heirs forever. Item All the Rest & Remainder of my Estate I desire may be equally divided between my six Children namely Silvanus Bell John Bell Frederica Punn, Balaam Freeman Cisca & Holley Freeman to them & their Heirs forever. Lastly I appoint my Son Silvanus Bell whole & sole Exor^r of this my last Will & Testament ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and affixed my Seal this eight day of May in the Year of our Lord One thousand Seven hundred and Seventy eight.

Signed Sealed Published & Declared
to be the last Will & Testament of the
Testator In presence of

Phoebe ^{her} Freeman ^{Seal}
Against

Will Rowland
James Bell
^{her}
Mildred Hill
Marks

At a Court held for Sussex County the 16th day of July 1778.

This last Will and Testament of Phoebe Freeman decd. was presented unto Court by Silvanus Bell Executor therein named who made Oath thereto as the Law directs & the same was proved by the Oaths of James Bell & Mildred Hill Witnesses thereto and by the Court Ordered to be recorded. On the Motion of the said Executor Certificate is
Ex. granted him for obtaining a Probate thereof in due Form

Teste

Will. Claiborne J^r C. S. C.