

Westmoreland Co^{ty}

Sworne before me W^m Peirce

At a Court held for the said County the 25th Day of May 1698

Margarett Thomas made Oath that the above is a full & perfect Inventory of all the Estate of John Thomas deced yet comes to her Knowledge, which with the Appraisement thereof were ordered to be Recorded

Teste James Westcomb CMC

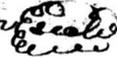
In The Name of God Amen this 22^d Day of January Anno Domini 1695 I James Johnston of the parish of Gople in the County of Westmoreland Gentleman being Sick of body but of sound and perfect mind and memory blessed be God for the same doe make this my last Will and Testament in Writing, First I bequeath my Soul into the hands of Almighty God hoping in and Through the Merits of my dear Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ for a Free Pardon and forgiveness of all my sins, and after this frail life ended of a Joyfull Resurrection; my body I committ to the Earth from whence it came to be decently buried at the discretion of my Ex^{ors} hereafter named, and as for what worldly Estate God in his Mercy hath blessed me withall, I give and devise as followeth, First my Will is that all my just Debts be truly and fully paid & Satisfied, Item I give and bequeath unto my Son James all my Plantations and Lands in Maryland to him and his heirs forever, & all the Stock both Cattle and Hogs in & upon the said Plantation and Land with their increase, Item I give and devise to my son James all my weapons, Guns and Armour of any kind or sort & also one Towell Mare called Juny with her Increase; the said Armour &

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mare to be delivered to him at the Age of 16 years, Item I give to my Son
James one Negro Boy called James to be delivered to him at his age of 17 years
and all the Sheep that is marked with a crop and hole on the right Eare and a
Swallowtail on the left, but my Will and pleasure is that if my Son James dies
before he comes of age, to possess and enjoy the said Land and other the Estate
hereby to him devised, that then the said Land and Stock and other the personable
to him devised, shall goe and be amongst his four Sisters, Elizabeth Frances
Barbara and Anne and their heirs equally to be divided share and share alike
Item I give and devise to my Daughter Elizabeth the houses of 100 Acres of land
near adjoining, Situate lying and being in Youcomoco or Nomony Forrest, part
of a Tract of Land of 450 Acres or thereabouts which I purchased of Thomas
Albion and George Seabrook to her and her heirs, forever, and the remaining part
being 350 Acres I give devise and bequeath unto my Three Daughters, Frances
Barbara and Anne and their heirs, equally to be divided between them, share
and share alike, the Eldest to have her first Choice, Item I give & devise to
my Daughter Elizabeth all the sheep which are marked with a crop, hole
on the right Eare and the left Eare unmarked, and also one Negro called Betty;
and to my Daughter Frances, a Negro called Black Frank, and to my
Daughter Barbaras one Negro called Barbara, and to my Daughter
Anne one Negro called black Nan, Item I give to my God Child, Elizabeth
one Cow and calf at her age of Eighteen years, or Day of Marriage which
shall first happen, Item I give to John Gerrard my black Mare Tilly which
has a blaze in her forehead, Item I give to Mary Gilbert one Cow & calf
and if she have a mind to go for England then to have her passage paid
for her, Item I give and devise to my dear and loving Wife Elizabeth

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Anne one Negro called black Nan, Item I give to my God Child, Elizabeth
one Cow and Calf, at her age of Eighteen years, or Day of Marriage which
shall first happen, Item I give to John Gerard my black Mare Tilly which
has a blaze in her forehead, Item I give to Mary Gilbert one Cow & Calf
and if she have a mind to go for England then to have her passage paid
for her, Item I give and devise to my dear and loving Wife Elizabeth
Johnston all my moneys in the house, both Gold and Silver, Item I give
and devise unto my said dear Wife one Mulattoes Girl called Betty and
my Will is that Negro Sarah with her increase shall be and remain my
Wife during her life and after her death, the said Negro Sarah with her
increase shall be equally divided between my son James and his said four
Sisters, Item I give and devise to my said Wife the house called Boaghones
and as for all the rest and residue of my personal Estate, of what kind or
nature soever it be after my debts and legacies are paid and satisfied I
give and devise to and among my said Wife, son James, & four Daughters
to be equally divided, Share and Share alike, and my Will & pleasure is
that,

that my said Four Daughters shall be possessors of their said Land and other Livings hereby to them bequeathed, at their several ages of Eighteen years or Days of Marriage which shall first happen, and if either of my said Four Daughters shall happen to Die before she attains the Age of 18 or Marry then the part & Share of her or them soe dying shall be equally divided between the surviving Sisters, share & share alike, and of this my last Will and Testament I make ordain & appoint my aforesaid loving Wife Elizabeth my whole and Sole Executrix, hereby revoking, Annulling, renouncing and making Void all former & other Wills by me heretofore made, In Witness whereof I the said James Johnston have hereunto set my hand and Seal the Day and year above

James Johnston 

Signed Sealed published and declared by the said James Johnston to be his last Will in the presence of Isaac Allerton, John Gerard Mary Gilbert Simon Johns

By Virtue of this Codicil I do notwithstanding what is expressed in this Testament given and freely disposed of, to my loving Wife the negro named Sarah and her increase, as also the Mulatto Negro named Betty to her or her heirs, and a grey mare, and a Mare Filly and a horse about 3 years old the mare and Horse branded on the rear Buttocks with the letters F and flour de luce, as also I give unto my Daughter Anne, One young Negro named Nick Also I did give unto Mary Gilbert a Cow and Calf, and Tobacco to pay her Passage, home, the same by this Codicil, I by this presents fully & absolutely revoke, In Witness whereof I have hereunto sett my hand and Seal this 18th Day of May Anno Domini 1698.

James Johnston 

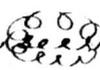
Signed Sealed and declared in presence of, Alexander Spence John Hendrick

John Gerard

By Virtue of this further Codicell my Will is (notwithstanding any thing in

Will in the presence of Isaac Allerton, John Gerard, Mary Gilbert, Simon Robins

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James Johnston 
Signed Sealed and Delivered in presence of, Alexander Spence, John Hendmore

John Gerard 

By Virtue of this further Codicell my Will is (notwithstanding any thing in the within Will or above Codicell to the contrary) that in Lieu of what Share I have made use of or disposed of my Daughter Elizabeth, I give and devise to her and her heirs, One Durn Mare with a whitish main, which I lately bought of Thomas Moore and her increase forever, and my Will is that all my good lict be in three Species equally divided between my Wife, John Gerard, & Children, and by no means Appraised, In Witness whereof I have hereunto sett my hand and Seal this 29th day of May 1698.

James Johnston 

Signed Sealed and Delivered, published and Declared

In presence of us John Gerard, Ellenor Thomas, Simon Robins,

Westmoreland

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Westmoreland Test. At a Court held for the said County the 29th day of June 1695.

The above Written Testament was proved by the Oaths of John Gerrard and Simon Hobins two of the Witnesses thereto Subscribed, the first endorsed Casella 2. the Oaths of Alexander Spence, John Kenmore, and John Gerrard Witnesses thereto the latter endorsed Bodicelle by the Oaths of John Gerrard, Elizer Thomas, and Simon Hobins Witnesses thereto, and a Probate granted to M^{rs} Elizabeth Johnson, Relict of the Testator & C^{ts} herein named, and ordered to be Recorded

Teste
James Westcomb. CMC

The 28th of March in the year 1698. 3

In the Name of God amen I John Ethell of the County of Westmoreland being very Sick, and weak in body but of Perfect memory thanks be given to God for it, Calling to mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all Men once to Die, I doe make and ordain this my last Will & Testament that is to say Principally and first I recommend my Soul into the hands of God that gave it and for my body I commend to the earth, to be buried in a Christian like and decent manner at the discretion of my Executors hereafter named, Nothing doubting but at the general resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God, and as touching such worldly Estate, wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me with in this World, I give devise and dispose of in the manner & form following, Item I give and bequeth unto my Son in Law Thomas Thadwick One Feather bed and Furniture and also one Gun, which was his Fathers & likewise one Gold ring which was his Mothers, also I give Thomas Thadwick One Cow and heifer which are of his own proper Mark, Item I leave my