

between my Wife and that Son that is living, and if it please God that all my said
sons should die without Issue of their bodies Lawfully begotten or before they arrive
at the age of 21 years, that then my personal Estates be divided equally between
my Wife Anne Washington and my brothers Children, Item It is my Will that my
Brother have tuition of my Son Sam Washington and that my said Brother have the
Cocking of my said Sons Estate and of this my last Will and Testament, I make and
ordain my well beloved Wife

AB in Transcribing this Will, the Original
Record preceeds as far as here recorded, and then commences again, I suppose by
Mistake of the Original Recorder, who was a fool himself and now has made
a fool of me.

In the Name of God Amen this 22nd Day of January in the year
of our Lord King William ¹⁶⁹⁷ I John Washington of Washington Parish in the County
of Westmoreland, being sick and weak of body but of perfect mind and memory have
be given to God therefor calling unto mind the Mortality of my Body & knowing that
it is appointed for all Men once to die, do make and ordain this my last Will and
Testament in manner and form following, (that is to say) first and principally
I give my Soul unto the hands of God who gave it me, and for my body I command
it to the earth to be buried in Christian like manner in the Burying Place on
the Plantation where I now live, by my Father, Mother and Brothers, nothing
doubting but at the general resurrection I shall recover the same again by the
mighty power of God and as touching such worldly estate wherewithal I have

Yours,

God to bless me with in this life, I give devise, bequeath and dispose the same in manner and form following; first I give and bequeath unto my well beloved wife Anne Washington the plantation I now live on at Appamatuck during her natural life; Item I give and bequeath unto my eldest son Lawrence Washington, that tract of Land which I bought of M Francis Wade commonly called Barnes Doctor, it lies on upper Machodack in Stafford County, I give to my said Son and his heirs forever; Item I give to my son John Washington that tract of Land which I now live on after the decease of my Wife to him and his heirs forever, but if it please God that my said Son should die before my said Wife, then I give the said Tract to my son Lawrence Washington to him and his heirs forever, and if both my Sons John and Lawrence should die before my Said Wife or without issue of their bodies lawfully begotten, then I give it to my Son Nathaniel to him and his heirs forever and if my three Sons Lawrence John and Nathaniel should die before my said Wife or without issue lawfully begotten of their bodies, then I give the said Tract to my Son Henry Washington to him and his heirs forever, and if it please God that all my four Sons should die before my said Wife or without issue of their bodies lawfully begotten, then I give to the next heir at Law, to him and his heirs forever, Item I give to my Son John Washington that tract of Land lying on Popes Creek which John Travelling now lives on to him and his heirs forever, Item I give to my Son Nathaniel Washington that Tract of Land which lies at the head of Appamatuck Creek, which Anthony Rollins, Joseph Smith & John Bills now live on to him and his heirs forever; Item I give to my Son Henry Washington that Tract of Land which was between me and Robert Miller in Middle River

It is my Will "to go or without some of their bodies lawfully begotten,
then I give it to my Son Nathaniel to him and his heirs forever and if my
three Sons Lawrence John and Nathaniel should die before my said Wife or
without issue lawfully begotten of their bodies, then I give the said Tract to my
Son Henry Washington to him and his heirs forever, and if it please God that
all my four Sons should die before my said Wife or without issue of their
bodies lawfully begotten, then I give to the next heir at Law, to him and his
heirs forever, Item I give to my Son John Washington that tract of Land lying on
Popes Creek which John Fluvelling now lives on to him and his heirs forever,
Item I give to my Son Nathaniel Washington that Tract of Land which lies at the
head of Appamallow Creek, which Anthony Rollins, Joseph Smith & John Batts
now live on to him and his heirs forever; Item I give to my Son Henry Washington
that Tract of Land which was between me and Robert Richards John Wilcroft lines
now on Part of it; it is in Stafford County on the same side which the head
of Machodack makes, I give it to my said Son and his heirs forever, Item
it is my Will that if my Son Law: Should die without issue of his body
lawfully begotten, or before he arrives to the age of 21 years, that then my Son
John Washington have the tract of Land which I bought of Mr Francis Dade
called Barnells Decarter to him and his heirs forever, Item it is my Will that
if my Son John Washington should die before he comes to the age of 21 years
or without issue of his body lawfully begotten, that then I give to my son
Lawrence the Tract of Land that I now live on after my Wifes decease to him

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and his heirs forever, and I give that tract of land on Poplar Creek that John Hunter
lives on to my Son Nathaniel Washington to him and his heirs forever, Item it is
my Will that if my Son Nathaniel Washington should die without issue of his
body lawfully begotten, or before he arrives to the age of 21 years, that then I
give to my said Son John Washington that tract of land at the head of Appa-
mattox Creek which Anthony Rawlins & Joseph Joneth of John Bettle lives on
to him by his heirs forever, Item It is my Will that if any three of my aforesaid
Sons should die without issue of their bodies lawfully begotten or before they
arrive to the age of 21 years, that then all the aforementioned lands I give to
that Son that is living and if it please God that they should all die without
issue of their bodies lawfully begotten or before they arrive to the age of Twenty one
years, or if I have no more issue, that then I give to my Wife those two Tracts
of Land that lies in Gafford County to her and her heirs forever, the other three
Tracts to be divided between what Children it my please God to send my
Brother, if he have but one I give it to him or her, if more the Eldest
Son to have his Choice of the Tracts, the next Eldest his next Choice if two
sons; if it be a Daughter, that she have her Choice after her Brother, to
them and their heirs forever, Item It is my Will that all my personal Estate
in General divided into five parts, and that my Wife have her first Choice
and my Son Lawrence the next, my Son John the next, my Son Nathaniel
the next, and my Son Henry the other, Item It is my Will that if please God
any of my Sons should die without issue of their bodies lawfully begotten or
before they arrive to the age of 21 years, that then his part of the personal

Son Lawrence Washington, and that my said Brother have the keeping my said Sons Estate and of this my last Will and Testament, I make and ordain my well beloved Brother Capt. Lawrence Washington and my loving Wife Anne Washington to sell all and whole Catt and Cattle, and I do hereby utterly disallow, revoke and Annull all and every other former Testaments Wills Legacies, bequests and Executors by me in any wise before this time named Willed Disqueathed, ratifying and confirming this, and none other to be my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this day and year as aforesaid, Signed Sealed and Published pronounced declared by the said John Washington as his last Will and Testament in the presence of Item it is also my Will that Mrs Elizabeth Hodges have my Watch that was given to me by Capt. William Hodges Will, Item It is my Will that my well beloved Godson John Dulestone have a good gold Sigarette which was given to me by his Father on his death bed, Item it is my Will that my well beloved Brother Capt. Lawrence Washington have my wearing Ring John Scott, William Webster Thomas Howes, Peter Hogott & Westmoreland etc.

John Washington

At a Court held for Westmoreland County the 25th day of Feb 1697
The above Will was duly proved and a probate thereof granted the executors
herein named, and ordered to be Recorded

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James Westcomb CWC