

In the name of God Amen. I James Bankhead of the county of
Westmoreland being sick & weak but of sound memory do make this
my last will & testament. First I will & desire that all my estate,
both real & personal may be kept together for the support and
maintenance of my loving wife & my dear children during my
wifes widowhood, except in that time my son arrives to the age
of twenty one years or either of my daughters marry. ~~~
Item I will & desire that so soon as my widow shall marry or
my son arrive to the age of twenty one years or either of my daughter
marry then my whole estate the land excepted shall be equally
divided among my wife & children in this manner to wit
To my dear wife as dower (beside the three negroes Aggie, Phillis
& George which I give to her & her heirs) one childs part and to each
of my children then living a childs part to them & ^{their} heirs ~~~
Item I will & desire that the negroes which my wife holds as dower
+ with the increase of the females may at her death be equally divided
among my children then living. Item I appoint my two brothers
William and John & my brothers in law William Miller and Thomas
Miller and my worthy friend James Coats executors of this my last
will signed with my name & sealed this eight day of January 1785.
Signed, sealed & published
before us ~~~

James Bankhead (seal)

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X Wm Lindsay

X James Coats

X Wm Miller

Robert Gilchrist