

I John Washington of the County of Westmoreland calling to mind
the uncertainty of this life do make and ordain this my last Will &
Testament in Manner as follows —

Item... My Will and desire is that my Executors herein after named
do pay all my Just Debts — and that after my Death my
Executors may if they think it most for the advantage of my
Children sell to the highest bidder, or at private bargain
as they shall think proper, that part of the Land which I now
hold that I purchased from William Thornton, and that
the money arising from such sale shall be applyed tow-
ards the pay ment of my Just Debts, if my Estate should
becoming any thing, if not, I desire the Land may not be sold
during my Wife's life — but if sold I desire that my Executors
do make the purchaser of the said Land a proper Title
in Fee Simple —

Item... I give to my loving Wife Constant Washington, the Use & profits
of all my Estate, both Lands, Negroes, Money Stocks & during
her Widowhood, provided she maintain & Educate my
several Children, but in case my said Wife should marry
Then I desire that she may have one third part of my
Estate, —

Item... I desire that at the Marriage or Decese of my Wife all
the Lands I now possess may be sold to the highest bidder
& the money arising from such sale be Equally Divided
among all my Children, Sarah Harper Excepted.

Item... I desire that the Child which my Wife now is big with
may have an Equal part with all the rest of my Children

Item... it is my Wish & desire that at the Marriage or Decese
of my Wife, if any one of my sons should be able to pay to
Each of his Brothers, ^{Westmoreland County Wills} ¹⁷⁵⁵⁻¹⁸⁰⁰ ^{www.virginiapropertys.net} including $\$1000$ one which my
Wife now goes with one hundred & Twenty five pounds.
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Current Money, in that case I desire that they may have my
lands, & that they be not sold to the highest bidder at
public sale, as I would wish the land to continue in my
own family if convenient —

Wm. I give my son William Henry Washington my seal with
the family Arms. —

Wm. I give unto my son Thomas Lund Washington all my
Books & fiddle

Wm. as to my Daughter Sarah Harper I have delivered to
her the Negroes given to her by my father, also the
Negro Wench called Alice which she inherited by the
death of her brother Robert Townsend Washington

Wm. I desire that my Executors do give to my Daughter
Sarah Harper one morning ring of thirty Shillings
Value, also her miniature picture which I now
have in possession —

Wm. It is my Will and desire that after the Marriage
or Death of my Wife, that all my Slaves together with
all the residue of my Estate of every kind whatsoever
be Equally divided between my seven Children to wit
John Ferrett Washington, William Henry Washington,
Thomas Lund Washington, Robert Pitt Washington
George Washington, Louisa Faysake Washington
Frances Constantia Washington & the Child that
my Wife is now big with —

Wm. it is my Will & desire that my Daughter Louisa
Faysake Washington may if she choose it take
in her part one Negro Girl called Betty —

Wm. I give unto my loving Wife during Widowhood
my Chariot, but in case of her Death or Marriage
I desire the said Chariot may be sold & the money
arising therefrom to be equally divided among
my seven Children Westmoreland County Wills 1755-1800 & the one
which my Wife may www.virginiapioneers.net wish, but my desire
is that in case she choose to have it sold

that one of my Children should have the liberty of purchasing it before any other person provided they are able to pay the third of whatever my Executors shall think it is worth. I therefore they may have the offer at private bargain.

Whereas I have herein given my Wife during her widowhood all my Estate in order to enable her to maintain & Educate all my Children, & thinking that it may hereafter so happen that my said Wife may Marry it is my Will and desire that in case of such her Marriage that then she shall have and enjoy one third part of my Estate during her life, and at her Decease such Dowry Estate shall go & pass as is herein before mentioned to Wm. John Ferritt Washington, William Henry Washington, Thomas Lund Washington, Robert Pitt Washington, George Washington, Louisa Jefferson Washington, Mary, Constantia Washington, & the Child which my Wife now goes with,

I desire that in case any of my Children should Marry in the life time of their Mother, that they so Marrying may have their parts of my Slaves & personal Estate given to them, but my desire is that after the first so died off, and given up that the rest of the Slaves & personal Estate remain in common & undivided for my desire is that in case of the decease of any Children, & Slaves, that no one Child shall have any advantage of the other and if their Mother should die & Marry, in that case the whole of my Estate must be divided.

my desire is that if any of my before mentioned Children & the one my Wife is big with should die before they come of age, or Marry, that their part be equally divided among the residue of my Children, as before mentioned.

I desire that my Estate may not be appraised -