

Bryan
will.

In the Name of God Amen I John Bryan being sick and
weak in Body but of perfect Sense and Memory do make this my last Will
and Testament in manner and form following.

Item I Give and bequeath to my Son Mann Bryan my Negro Man
Named Dick and six head of Cattle and six head of Sheep to him and his Heirs
forever. Item I Give and bequeath to Martha Bryan Wife of my Son Mann Bryan
my young grey riding Mare.

Item I Give and bequeath to my Daughter Ann Jude Wife of George Jude my
Negro Man Named Will to her and her Heirs forever.

Item I Give and bequeath to my Daughter Mary Bryan my Negro Wench
Named Moll and her Increase and my Negro Man named Sam after my Wifes
Death to her and her Heirs forever. Item I Give and bequeath to my said
Daughter Mary after my Wifes decease a Bed and furniture and six large and
six small Silver Spoons. Item I Give and bequeath to my Son John Bryan my
Negro Man Named London to him and his Heirs forever.

Item I Give and bequeath to my Granddaughter Mary Bryan Daughter of my
Son Mann Bryan my Negro boy Named Darby to her and her Heirs forever.

Item I Give ~~and bequeath~~ to my loving Wife my Plantation lying in York
County and the remainder of my Stock and my Negroes Sam, Darcy, Tommy and
Phillis and her future Increase during her life and after her Decease then
I Give the same to my Son Frederick Bryan to him and his Heirs forever.

Item I Give and bequeath to my Granddaughter Mary Bryan Daughter of my
Son Mann Bryan my Negro boy Named Darby to her & her Heirs forever.
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Phillis and her future Increase during her life and after her Decease then
I Give the same to my Son Frederick Bryan to him and his Heirs forever.
Item all the rest of my Estate both real and Personal I Give to my loving
Wife during her Life and after her death I Give the same to my Son
Frederick Bryan to him and his Heirs forever. Lastly I appoint my
loving Wife Martha Bryan and my Brother Benjamin Bryan Executors
of this my Last Will and Testament hereby revoking all other Wills by
me heretofore made In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my Hand
and Affixed my Seal this twenty seventh Day of December 1747.

Signed Sealed Published and
Declared to be his last Will & Testament
in Presence of us (the Words to her and
her Heirs forever being first interlined
in the twelfth line).

George Nicholas

John Coke

Sam: Bryan.

John Bryan (L. S.)

At a Court held for York County, the 15th Day of February, 1747

This Will was proved by the Oaths of George Nicholas, John Coke & Benjamin Bryan the Witnesses thereto and Ordered to be Recorded And on the Motion of Martha Bryan one of the Executors who made Oath according to Law Certificate was granted her for obtaining a Probate thereof in due form giving security On which she together Henry Withersburne and John Coke her Securitaries entered into and Acknowledged Bond in the Penalty of fifteen hundred Pounds for her due & faithful Admin of the Estate of the said Decedent and performance of his Will Reserving Liberty to Benjamin Bryan the other Executor to join in the Probate when he shall think fit.

Exam^d

Testes Tho^s Overand & C. Crowl.

Staige Thos^d In Obedience to an Order of York Court Dated the 18th Day of January, 1747. We the Persons mentioned in the said Order being Sworn Edward Tabb, Gerrard Roberts and Thomas Tabb have Appraised the Estate of Thos^d Staige as followeth

1 Cotton Ginn 7/6	1 Spinning Wheel 5/	£ 0. 12. 6
1 Flax Wheel 14/6	3 Worsted Combs 3/6	0. 17. 6