

J^r Morris
Will

In the Name of God Amen I John Morris of the Parish of Charles in the County of York Planter taking into serious Consideration the uncertainty of Human Life have thought fit to make this my last Will and Testament in Manner and form following that is to say first of all I recommend my Soul to the Mercy of Almighty God who gave it hoping through the Merits of my Blessed Saviour and Redeemer Jesus Christ to receive full remission and forgiveness of all my Offences and my Body to be buried according to the discretion of my Executrix and Executors hereafter mentioned and as to what Temporal Estate the Lord of his Gracious bounty hath been pleased to bestow upon me I Give and bequeath as followeth Viz^t

First I will that all the Debts I justly owe be duly paid.

Item I lend unto my loving Wife Mary Morris two Negroes Namely my Negro Man Pompey, and my Negro Girl Sarah during the Term of her Natural Life I also give unto my said Wife all my household Goods to her and her disposal.

Item I Give and bequeath unto my loving Son John Morris my Negro Wench Judith and her Child Grace to him and his Heirs forever.

Item I Give and bequeath unto my loving Son Nicholas Morris my Negro Wench Hannah and my Negro Boy Peter to him and his Heirs forever.

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Item I do Order and Appoint my Stock of all kinds to be equally divided between my loving Wife Mary Morris and my two sons John and Nicholas Morris share and share alike I do further Order and Appoint that the Sum of forty Pounds be paid out of my Estate by my Executors and Executors hereafter mentioned to my four Grand Children John Jarvis, Elizabeth Jarvis, James Jarvis & Mary Jarvis in this Order and Method one half of the said Sum in Cash the other moiety in such Things as my Executors and Executors can best spare at a reasonable Valuation to be paid them respectively at the Age of twenty one Years

Years or the Day of Marriage and if either of ^{my} aforesaid Grand Children should dye before they Attain the Years of twenty one or the Day of Marriage then his her or their parts to go to the Survivors or Survivor and in case they should all dye before they come of Age or are Married then the whole to returne to my two Sons John Morris and Nicholas Morris to be equally divided between them. and after the Death of my Wife my Will is that the two Negroes Genther be Appraised by Men indifferently to be chosen and appointed and my two Sons to cast Lots for the choice of the two Slaves Namely Pompey and Sarah and to whose ever Lot Pompey shall fall he so getting of them shall pay the other the one half of what he shall be Valued at more than Sarah in order to make the Division equal but in case either of the aforesaid Slaves should dye before my my Wife then the other to be equally divided between my two Sons as aforesaid. And I do hereby Nominate Constitute and appoint my loving Wife Mary Morris and my Loving Sons John Morris and Nicholas Morris Executors and Executors of this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking and annulling all former Wills by me

Testament hereby revoking and annulling all former Wills by me
heretofore made In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand
and affixed my Seal this eighteenth Day of February 1745/6.

Signed Sealed Published
and Declared in the Presence

^{his}
John M. Morris (J. J.)
^{mark.}

of
Thos Roberts
^{his}
Richard X Pond
^{mark}
Ann Roberts.

At a Court held for York County the 16th Day of February 1746
This Will was proved by the Oaths of Thomas Roberts and Richard Pond
Witnesses thereto and Ordered to be Recorded And on the Motion of John Morris
and Nicholas Morris Executors therein named who made Oath according to Law
Certificate was granted them for obtaining a Probat thereof in due form
giving security Whereupon they together with Thomas Charles and Bennett
Kerby their Securities entered into and Acknowledged Bond for their due
Admon of the said Decedents Estate and performance of his Will.

Given

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Thos. Greenard (J. J.)