

In witness
whereof

In the Name of God Amen I Matthew Morland of the
Parish of Charles in the County of York being very Sick and
weak in Body but of Perfect Mind and Memory Thanks be given
unto God therefore calling unto mind the Mortality of my Body
and knowing that it is appointed for all Men once to die do make
and ordain this my last Will and Testament that is to say
Principally and first of all I Give and recommend my Soul
into the hands of God that gave it and my body I commend it to
the Earth to be buried in a Christian like and decent manner
by my Exor. doubting nothing but at general Resurrection I
shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God
and as touching such Worldly Estate wherewith it hath Pleased
God to bless me with in this life I Give Devise and dispose of
the same in the following manner and form First after my
funeral Charges are paid my Will and desire is that my Wife
Ruth should sell my Negro Man Jim to enable her to pay my
just Debts. Item I also leave unto my dear Wife all my Estate

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moveables and immoveables during her Widowhood and if my
Wife should marry then my Will is that my Estate be laid out
in three parts one part I lend to her during her natural Life in
case she marries also my Will and desire that my Wife Ruth
shall give no Surety but freely possess the same according to
the Words of my Will. Item my Will and desire is that my
Negroes Poll Amy Frank and Sarah and their increase after
my Wife Ruths part be taken out (if she request it) be equally
divided (by sufficient Men) between my four Children Namely
Elizabeth John Mary and one with which my Wife is now
with Child with my other Goods and Chattels as above and all to
continue in my Wifes hands until my Son John comes to the
Age of twenty one Years at which time my Will is that the
above division be made and I do make and Ordain this my
Last Will and Testament and my desire is that Edward Wright
be my Executor with Ruth my Wife Ex^{ts} to see this my last Will
performed. January the 17th 1755.

Signed Sealed & Delivered
in Presence of
Wm Rose

Edw Wright

his
Matthew + Morland
mark

At a Court held for York County the 17th day of February 1755

This Will was proved by the Oaths of William Rose and Edward Wright the Witnesses thereto Sworn to by Edward Wright and Ruth Moreland the Exors therein named and Ordered to be recorded and the said Edward Wright with Joseph Stroud his Security having entered into and acknowledged Bond as the Law directs on the motion of the said Edward Wright and Ruth Moreland the Exor Certificate was granted them for obtaining a Probate in due form.

Exam^d

Teste Tho^s Everard Esq^r Clk^t in:

Moreland
App^d:

In Compliance with an Order of the Hon^{ble} Court of York bearing date the 17th February 1755 we the subscribers being first Sworn have Appraised the Estate of Matthew Moreland dec^d Viz^t:

To a Negro Man Named Jim	Value	£ 15..
To a Negro Woman Named Goll		35..
To a Negro Girl Named Amy		30..
To a Negro boy Named Frank		20..
To a Negro Girl Named Sarah		12..
To 1 feather Bed and some furniture		2.. 10..
To 1 Bedstead & some Bed Covering		0.. 10..