

Should
will -

In the Name of God Amen I Robert Shields of the
Parish of Charles in the County of York being Sick and Weak in
Body but of sound and perfect Mind and Memory Thanks be to God for
the same I do make and Ordain this my last Will and Testament in
manner and form following first I resign my Soul to Almighty God
who gave it and Body to the Earth from whence it was taken hoping
for a Joyful resurrection at the last day thro' the Mercy & Salvation of
Jesus Christ my only Saver and Redeemer the same to be buried at
the discretion of my Executors hereafter named As touching that
Worldly Estate which God in his Mercy hath sent me I dispose of as
followeth I Give unto my Son Robert Shields the Plantation which
I now live on to him and the Heirs of his Body lawful begotten
forever then my Will is that my Son Robert Shields shall pay and
discharge all my Account that I am charged with in the Store
where he is concerned out of my Money and Tobaccos in his hands
and what remaining I give to my Son Robert Shields Item I give
to my Son John Shields all my lands upon Back River to him and the
Heirs of his Body lawfully begotten forever I also lend to my Son

discharge all my account that I am charged with in the Store
where he is concerned out of my Money and Tobacco in his hands
and what remains I give to my son Robert Shields Item I give
to my son John Shields all my land upon Back River to him and the
Heirs of his Body lawfully begotten forever. I also lend to my son
John Shields my Plantation lying on Chismas Mill Dam during
his life and then to the Heirs of his Body lawfully begot forever
in the same manner as before mentioned Now my Will is that if
either of my Children or any Person for them should bring any Suit
or Action in any Court of Record not being satisfied with my Will
that Person so offended shall receive for his or her part five Pounds
and no more for their shares Item I Give to my Daughter Sarah
Schaler Two hundred and thirty six Pounds to make up 300 Pounds
with what she has received of me Item I Give my Daughter Sarah
Schaler four Negroes which she has in Possession Item I Give to
my son John Shields all my Crop of Tobacco that is made he paying

the Lewis out of it. Item I Give to my Son John Shields one Bed & furniture
and all my wearing Apparel and Trappers Armes. Item I Give

to Son Robert Shields these Negroes hereafter mentioned Dick Rachel in his
possession Jack Kate and her Child Dick Charles Little Ben Eddy Sam & Child

these I Give to my Son Robert Shields and the Heirs of his Body lawfully
begotten forever Item I Give to my Son John Shields Bess and her Child

Joannah Bristol Paul Frank Peter Sue and her Child Samy and Moll
these Negroes I Give to my Son John Shields and the Heirs of his Body

lawfully begotten forever Item I Give to my Daughter Ann Howard
these Negroes Phillis Cat Ben Tom Judy Rachel Item I lend to my

Daughter Mary Herby these Negro Slaves during her life and then
these Negroes to go to her five Youngest Children with the Increase

of these Negroes Lemmy Hugh Jane Peg and her three Children Sarah Grace
these Negroes I lend to my Daughter Mary Herby during her life and

then to be divided among her five Youngest Children that is now with her
John Herby, Sally Herby, Fran^s Herby, Mary Herby, A. Herby

Item I Give to my Daughter Ann Howard twelve head of Young Cattle
from my 2^d below. Item I Give to my Daughter Mary Herby six head of

Young Cattle from my home House. Item I Give to my Daughter Mary

Herby the same Land in Ch... ..

Herby the large Looking Glass and six Silver Tea Spoons. Item I Give to
my son John Shields all the rest of Stock of Cattle and Hogs at my 2^d [&]
below and two draft Steers to take his Choice. Item I Give to my son
Robert Shields all the remaining part of my Cattle and Hogs upon the [&]
Plantation where I now live and half of my Sheep the other half to my [&]
son John Shields. Item I Give to my Daughter Sarah Selater my Horse
and Chaise and six head of Cattle from my 2^d on Chismans Mill Dam.
Item I Give the rest of my Cattle and Hogs to my son John Shields and
my Riding Horse and Saddle. Now my Will and desire is that all my [&]
household Goods be equally divided amongst my five Children Ann Howard
Robert Shields John Shields Mary Herby Sarah Selater then my Will is
after my Debts and legacies be paid what Money remain by Bonds or
Books shall be equally divided among my three Children Ann Howard
John Shields Mary Herby when its received and I do here Nominate [&]
and Appoint my son Robert Shields John Shields William Sholson Selater [&]
Executors of this my said last Will and Testament revoking all former [&]
Wills I order this to be my last making void all Will and Deeds [&]
whatsoever that can be found and so set my Hand and Seal this twentythird

Day of February in the Year of our Lord according to the Computation
of the Church of England 1753.

James Drewry

Peter Drewry

Katherine ^{his} Drewry
mark

Rob^t Shields (L.S.)

At a Court held for York County the 21st day of May 1753.

This Will was proved by the Oaths of John Drewry Peter Drewry &
Katherine Drewry the Witnesses thereto sworn to by Robert Shields
John Shields and William Sheldon Jolater the Executors therein
named and Ordered to be recorded And on the Motion of the said
Executors who together with Thomas Reynolds Gent their Security
entered into and Acknowledged Bond as the Law directs Certificate
was granted them for obtaining a Probate in due form.

Exam^d

Teste

Tho^s Everard C^l: Sur^r

Driver's 1753 Dr The Estate of Thomas Driver deceased

Settlement June 18	To Judith Goobys Acco ^t proved	£0..18..10
	To Young Morlands Acco ^t for 2 Coffins &c	1..9..6
	To Charles Mansford Acco ^t Registering &c	0..5..-
	To Thomas Taylor for Digging Graves	0..5..-
	To Charles Mansford Jun ^r Acco ^t	0..1..3
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