

In the Name of God Amen I Samuel Dyer of York
County and Bruton Parish being very Sick and weak but of sound perfect
Mind and Memory Thanks be to Almighty God for the same Do make Ordain
constitute and Appoint this to be my last Will and Testament revoking and
disannulling all former Wills by me made in Writing whatsoever.
I commend my Soul into the hands of Almighty God that gave it trusting
alone thro' the merits of his only Son my Saviour the Lord Jesus Christ
assuredly to be saved and my Body to the dust from whence it came to be buried
at the discretion of my Executors hereafter named And now for the better
settling of my worldly Estate which it hath pleased Almighty God to bless me
with far above my deserts I do Give and bequeath in manner following that
is to say after all my just Debts and funeral Charges ^{all} are paid. Item my Will
and desire is that my loving wife Sarah Dyer may have the use of all my Lands
during her Natural Life likewise the use of my Negro fellow named Jacob
and Negro Woman named Lucy likewise the use of my white mare named Bony
and the riding Chair and Harness and likewise eight of the Chairs of my better
two feather Beds and half of the Bed furniture half of my Counter half of my
House Chairs two Iron Pots & Looking Glass one frying pan & all the Earthen
ware Meat Sifter and Sieve two Sheep and their Increase and all the Drough
fowls one cow and her Increase and likewise all the Meat Beans & Pulse

That are now in the House half the Crop of Wheat that's now in the House &
half the Crop of Wheat that's now growing on the Ground and ten Barrels of
Corn that's made in the Year One thousand seven hundred & fifty seven
during her natural life and likewise I desire that she may have the Use of
my Negro Boy named Harry four Years and in case she should die before the
four Years are expired I desire that he may be directly sold further my Will and
desire is that in case my Wife should marry that the Man she marries may
give Security for that part of my Estate so lent her or otherwise the Persons
hereafter mentioned shall immediately have it divided amongst them as
followeth excepting my Land which I desire may be directly sold after her
decease and my Negro boy Harry to be sold at the expiration of the above men-
tioned four Years and the Money I dispose of otherwise I term my Will
and desire is that Francis Rhodes Son of Clifton Rhodes may have forty Pounds
Sarah Rhodes Daughter of Clifton Rhodes thirty Pounds and Rebecca Rhodes
Daughter of Clifton Rhodes forty five Pounds of that part of my Estate so lent
my Wife to them and their Heirs forever I except the Land and Negro boy Harry
that they shall not blame no part of them. I term my Will and desire is that my
God Daughter Sarah Hentey Daughter of Richardson Hentey may have thirty

Pounds to buy her a Negro Girl to her and her Heirs forever further my
 Will and desire is that Leonard Henley son of Richardson Henley may
 have twenty five pounds to him and his Heirs forever further my Will &
 desire is that Richardson Henley one of my Ex^{rs} may have forty five pounds to him and his Heirs forever further my Will
 and desire is that John Wright may have ten Pounds to him and his
 Heirs forever which said four Legacies I desire may be satisfied out of
 that part of my Estate that is first sold sufficient to satisfy them after my
 decease And now for the other Legacies hereafter mentioned I desire may
 be paid in equal proportion to every one as opportunity will permit of
 further my Will and desire is that my God Son James Harfield Son of
 Matthew Harfield may have twenty five pounds to him and his Heirs
 forever further my Will and desire is that my Executors may buy two
 Negro Girls with the Sum of fifty Pounds for the use of Elizabeth Robards
 during her natural Life and after her decease I desire that John Cegram
 one of my Executors may have the use of the two Negro Girls during his
 natural Life and after his decease I desire that the two said Negro Girls
 and their Increase may be equally divided amongst his Children that are
 living further my Will and desire is that John Cegram one of my Ex^{rs}
 may have the Use of my Negro Wench Hannah during his natural Life

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and after his decease I desire that She and her Increase may be equally
divided between his Children that are living at his decease further my
Will and desire is that William Rhodes in Lunenburg may have
forty Pounds to him and his Heirs forever further my Will & desire is
that William Harfield Son of Matthew Harfield may have five
Pounds to put him to School if there should be occasion of it if no
occasion of Schooling I desire that he may have the said five Pounds
when he comes to Lawful Age further my Will and desire is that if there
should be any thing remaining after all the legacies that are mentioned
are all paid that it shall be divided in manner following further my Will
and desire is that my Uncle Robert Dyer may have thirty Pounds to him
and his Heirs forever further my Will and desire is that Lucy Cegram
Daughter of John Cegram may have twenty Pounds to be put out at
Interest and she to have the Interest yearly until she doth marry and
in case she should never marry my Will and desire is that Richardson
Henley one of my Exrs shall have the said twenty Pounds to him and
his Heirs forever further my Will and desire is that William and

Elizabeth Methens Son and Daughter of Daniel Methens may have fourteen Pounds equally divided between them two to them and their Heirs forever - further my Will and desire is that if my Estate should not hold out to pay the four last Legacies mentioned that every one of the four shall loose an equal part in proportion further my Will and desire is that my Mulatto - Servant Lewis Knappin may be hired out from the Year One thousand seven hundred and fifty eight until he is free further my Will and desire is that there shall be forty barrels of Corn and all my Crop of Blades and Tobacco that was made in the Year One thousand seven hundred and fifty six and likewise my Household furniture and Horses may be directly sold after my decease - further my Will and desire is that the Crop that was made in the Year One thousand seven hundred and fifty seven and my Negro fellow named Peter and all the rest of my Estate whatsoever may be sold when the Crop is finished further my Will and desire is that there shall be no appraisement of my Estate and that there may be eighteen months Credit given when my Estate is sold In Witness whereof I the said Samuel Dyer have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seal this sixth day of February Anno Domini One thousand seven hundred and fifty seven. I do Appoint Richardson Henley and John Pegram my Executors of this my last Will and Testament

Signed Sealed Published &

Sam^l Dyer (L.S.)

and John Cegram my Executors of this my last Will and Testament
Signed Sealed Published &
Declared in Presence of

Sam^l Dyer (L.S.)

Richard Crosher Graves

Michael Harfield

At a Court held for York County 21st day of March 1757

This Will was proved according to Law by the Oaths of Richard Crosher
Graves and Michael Harfield the Witnesses thereto Sworn to by
Richardson Henley and John Cegram the Executors therein named
and Ordered to be recorded and on the Motion of the said Executors
who together with Fleming Bates and Alexander Walker their
Securities entered into and Acknowledged Bond as the Law directs
Certificate was granted them for obtaining a Probat thereof in due
form. Robert Dyer the Heir at Law to the Testator having been
duly Summoned but did not appear to contest the said Will.

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Tho^s Everard Cl. Com: