

In the name of God amen, I James Brisbane calling to mind the uncertainty of life that all men must die and therefore it becometh all men to whom God hath been pleased to give the Charge of any worldly property so to direct the disposal thereof, that they may with satisfaction render an account thereof when call'd on by the messenger Death, and whereof a great part of what I possess or have any pretensions unto either as compensation for loss in the late unhappy American War or restoration of confiscated property came thro' my late Wives, I think I should in Justice pay the proper attention to my Children by them, My Will is that my present Wife Margaret be allowed out of my Estate One hundred pounds Bahama currency for the purchase of Mourning - That all my Lawful and Just Debts be discharged with decent funeral expences, and that all my property left whether Real or Personal or as above express'd be appraised & valued at a reasonable sum whether the Negroes by my present Wife or property in possession of my Son William, and that except such trifles I may herein after mention the same to be divided by sale or otherwise by a Majority of qualified Executors into Two Shares One Share to my Wife Margaret Brisbane with full Liberty to her to accept such Report as came by her as far as her share may be at their valuation with the use of such part of my household furniture as may be judged necessary by my Executors herein after mentioned visiting her residing my Widow and no longer, the limitation not intended to extend to her Fifth Share but only to the household furniture - Item my

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my Will is that my Son William, on his having given in a satisfactory account of what he possesses shall have as much out of the Estate as shall make the same with what he possesses equal to one third of Eight Shares of the whole with above mentioned exceptions of Special Legacies, that he have my large Gold Seal Emblematical of Hope also one fourth of such books as I may leave - Item, I give to my Son Robert one third part of my Estate as above divided that is of the Eight Eighths thereof with my Gold Seal with Appollo's Head - also one fourth of such books I may leave - Item, I give to my Son John Stanyan Brisbane one third part of the aforesaid eight Eighths of my Estate with my Gold Watch Chain & Gold Seal with my Arms with one fourth of my books, also such furniture of mine as is in the possession of my Sister in Law his Aunt Susannah Stanyan after her death who it is my Will may possess them during her life. Item to my Son Adam Brisbane I give one tenth part of my Estate as above directed to be divided one fourth part of my books with my small Gold Seal with my Arms, my Gun, Sleeve Buttons, wearing Apparel and Household furniture in my present possession at his Mother's Marriage or Death as may first happen - my Will further is that the respective Shares and Legacies shall be delivered up as directed by each party as of age to them their Heirs & assigns forever upon their giving legal acquittances and discharges against my

my Estate as above ⁽²³⁰⁾ or otherwise and not else -
Lastly, my express will pleasure and request
is that my friends Thomas Forbes, John Storr,
and Thomas William Bulley Hall or either
of them may with my Sons William Brisbane,
and John Brisbane take on them the Execution
ship of this my last Will & Testament and appoint
them and all and every of them Executors or
Executor to this my last Will & Testament accordingly -

In Testimony whereof I have
signed and sealed this same this twentieth day of
January one thousand seven hundred & ninety-four.
Signed sealed & pronounced
as his last Will and Testament
in presence of us who he requests
may witness the same and who
hath seen each other sign
the same

James Brisbane (SS)

John Ferguson Senr.

John W. Raughton

Patrick Brown

Bahama Islands
New Providence

To all to whom these presents
shall come Know Ye that on the twenty-fifth
day of July in the year of our Lord One thousand seven
hundred and ninety-four - Before me the Right
Honorable John Earl of Dunmore His Majesty's
Lieutenant & Governor in and over the
said Islands to be the Chancellor Vice Admiral and
ordinary of the same Personally appeared

appeared John W. Naughton one of the Witnesses to the
 within Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangelist of
 Almighty God that he was present and did see the
 Testator James Brisbane sign Seal publish & declare
 the within Instrument of writing to be his last Will and
 Testament and when he did so he was of sound
 disposing Mind Memory & understanding according
 to this deponents best discerning And that he this
 Depoant together with John Ferguson Sen. and Patrick
 Brown subscribed their names as Witness to the
 due Execution thereof in the presence of the Testator and
 in the presence of each other —
 Sworn to before me
Dunmore

Bahama Islands }
 Registry Office - }

I do certify that the foregoing
 is a true Copy from the Original Will now
 in this office and recorded in Book II
 Pages 456 & 459 —

James Crombister Regy. Reg.

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Bahama Islands.

By His Excellency The Right Honorable
John Earl of Dunmore His Majesty's
Lieutenant and Governor General
in and over the said Island, &c. &c.
Chancellor Vice Admiral and Ordinary
of the same —

To all to whom these presents shall come
Greeting Know ye that James Ambrose
Esquire by whom the Certificate to the aforesaid
Copy of James Brisbane Esquire's last Will
and Testament &c. was given, was then and now is Deputy
Register of Records of and in the Bahama
Islands. Therefore all due Faith & Credit is and
ought to be had and given to his Certificate as such.
In Testimony whereof I have here-
unto set my hand and have caused the Seal
of the said Island to be here unto affixed
at Nassau New Providence the Twentieth
day of September in the year of our Lord one
Thousand Seven hundred and Ninety-four, and
in the Thirty-fourth year of His Majesty's
Reign — Dunmore

By His Excellency's Command.

Adam Christie Secy.

Georgia.

Chatham County.

This second day
of March in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred
and ninety six. Then appeared William Brisbane & was
qualified as Executor to the foregoing last Will & Testament
of his late father James Brisbane Esq. dead and now living,
in testimony — Edw. White J. P. C. C.