

George  
Richmond County } Before me  
(L.S.) } the undersigned  
John Mead } County of Richmond  
personally appeared before

me Thomas Higgins &  
Hezekiah Jones the subscribing witnesses  
to the last Will & Testament of James  
Vaughan Deceased who being duly sworn  
on the Holy Evangelists of Almightie God  
they made oath that they would prevent  
and did see the said Testator sign seal &  
execute the said Will to be by Captain Richard  
Wick Testament, and that he was of sound  
mind & disposing memory to the last of  
his natural days before that then Thomas  
Higgins & Hezekiah Jones) subscribed their  
names to the said Will at the request  
and in the presence of the said Testator  
and in presence of each other  
Given under our hands & seals this  
21<sup>st</sup> day of December 1793 in the 18<sup>th</sup>  
year of American Independance

Recorded 21<sup>st</sup> December 1793

John Mead. C.R.

John Thomas of god. Amen

I James Vaughn of the County of Richmond  
Plantation being Very sick and weak in body but  
of Perfect mind and Memory thanks be given unto  
God; calling to 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 & Testament that is to say, Principally  
first of all I give & Recommend my Soul unto  
Hands of almighty god that gave it and my body  
I Recommend to the Earth to be Buried with Christian  
Burial at the Discretion of my Executors not  
Doubting but at the General Resurrection I shall  
Receive the same again by the mighty Power of  
God — And as Touching such Goods & Chattels  
whereunto it hath been pleased god to bless me  
with in this life I give Devise & Dispose of the same  
in the following manner & form —

First I give and bequeath to Jane my (Dearly Beloved)  
Wife one third of my Estate also I give & bequeath  
to my well beloved Brothers William & John two  
thirds of my Estate, said Two thirds to be Equally  
between them my Executors first Valuing a

and I do hereby bequeath that the Residue of  
the remaining part of my Estate as at last before mentioned  
after all debts being paid And I do hereby make &  
bequeath Robert Walter Cogswell and my brother John  
Vaughan Planters Executors of this my last will &  
Testament Discharging all other wills heretofore by me  
ratifying & confirming this & no other to be my last  
will & Testament In witness whereof I have  
hereunto set my hand & seal this nineteenth  
day of November in the year of our Lord one  
thousand Seven Hundred & Ninety three &  
the Eighteenth Year of American Independence

Witness my hand &  
Seal this 19th day of November

James Vaughan



Thomas Kearns  
Notary Public

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I, the } Before John Mead Esquire  
John Mead } Secy of Probate for the County of  
Richmond. Personally appeared  
Thomas Kearns & Rezekiah Jones the subscribing  
Witnesses to the last will and testament of James  
Vaughan (Deceased) who being duly sworn on the  
Holy Evangelist of Almighty God they made oath they  
were Present and did see the said Testator James  
Vaughan (Deceased) declare the said will to be and confirm  
his last will & Testament, and that he was of sound  
and disposing memory to the last of then knowing  
and belief and that they subscribed their names  
as Witnesses to the said will at the Request & in  
the Presence of the said Testator then Present of  
Each other

Given under my hand & seal  
this 21<sup>st</sup> Day of Dec<sup>r</sup> 1793  
In the 18<sup>th</sup> Year of American  
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