

In the Name of God Amen

I Harry Collins of the County of Small and State of Virginia
of sound and disposing Mind and Memory and being desirous to settle my
worldly affairs which I have thought as to do, do make and for bearing
this my last will and Testament hereby revoking all wills by me at any
time herebefore made. And last I bequeath my soul to the Lord who gave
it and my body I desire to be buried in a manner acceptable to me in the
circumstances of life and my worldly estate I dispose of as follows
First as I do not wish my Executors to select a town and direct that
my Executors hereafter named sell my negro man Oliver as soon
as he may be so as to be available and apply the proceeds of said sale to
the payment of my honest debts and that they invest the balance of
the proceeds of said sale in any balances remain after the payment of
my debts in such a manner as they may deem most conducive to the
interest of my estate

Secondly I wish and direct that all the children of said negro Oliver my
whole property be kept together on this place or on such other place as my
Executors may see proper to see it until my youngest child arrives at
the age of Twenty One years

Thirdly I wish and direct that at the time my youngest child arrives at the
age of Twenty One years, all my property be equally divided amongst my
children share and share alike provided that if my wife Mary Collins shall
die or marry during the minority of my youngest surviving child then and
in either event it is my will that the distribution of my property as upon
said twenty years at the time of her death or marriage

Fourthly I do command and direct as well as the warmest affection prompt
me to provide for my beloved wife Mary Collins during her lifetime I think and
direct that if she be living at the time of the distribution of my
property she have an equal share with my children, that is a share equal
to a child part during her lifetime and at her death said share is to go back
and be equally divided amongst my children.

Fifthly I constitute and appoint my beloved wife Mary Collins Executrix
and my esteemed son in law Stephen L. Hamilton Executor of this my last
will and Testament

In Testimony whereof I the said Harry Collins have to this my will
consisting of two pages and a part of a third set my hand and seal
this 28th day of December 1857.

Harry Collins (Test)
Signed Sealed published and read by the above named Harry Collins
my last will and Testament in the presence of us who at his request in
presence of each other have subscribed our names as witnesses here to

Simmons, P. Barakat Small to the
Haley Schreiner Penick to the
Abraham Lewis Penick to the

Witnessed November 23rd 1862,

Wm. M. Lanning

George P. Lanning
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