

In the name of God Amen, I John Tillery of Halifax County being in reasonable health do make
and give this my last will & Testament in manner & form following, to wit, It is my desire that all my just
debts shall be paid out of my Estate by my Brother Ephie Tillery, Infirmis Agilis & bequeath unto my
Brother forty acres of land lying in Randolph County for which he has my obligation to make him a right
in Randolph County whereon he now lives during his Natural life, and after his decease I give and
bequeath the said Six hundred acres of land unto his son George Tillery, his heirs and assigns forever
I give & bequeath unto my Brother Ephie Tillery a tract of land lying in Halifax County whereon he
now lives containing three hundred & forty acres, also a lease for one hundred acres as is supposed, lying on
Fishing Creek, whereon Snow live, & which I purchased of John W. Galt, to him & his heirs forever. I give
I give & bequeath unto my Brother Ephie Tillery the following negroes to wit, Arthur, Sam, Blithen, Peter
Charity & all the Right Title Interests & Claims I have in and to a negro man delivered to me by John
C. Knight, named Sol to him & his heirs for ever. I give & bequeath unto my Brother Ephie Tillery all my
Bills, all my household & Kitchen Furniture, all my Stock of different kinds, all my plantation Tools &
my debts and every article of property which I am or may be hereafter possessed of which is not hereby bequeathed
to him & his heirs for ever. It is to be understood that I mean to give the lease on Fishing Creek to my Brother
Ephie Tillery only for the term of Five years, which will appear by the Writing. It is my wish that my
Brother Ephie Tillery, Richard Ham Naulinger & Henry Motley act as Executors to this my last will & Testament
Signed Sealed and Testimonies given this sixth day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand seven
hundred & seventy three before the witnesses on the following Side

John Branch
Robert Motley
Richard Ham Naulinger

John Tillery



For want of room on the other Side I directed the witnesses to sign here, written with my
own hand the day & year mentioned on the other Side

J. Tillery

A Codicil to the last will & Testament of John Tillery and Executors in the presence of John Branch
and his two sons. I give & bequeath unto my Brother Ephie Tillery one negro child about two months
old son of Charity also the profits arising from one piece of land for the term of three years to be equally
divided between said Brother and his wife Polly it is to be observed that the said child is to be furnished with a

Sufficient Quantity of Horses to tend the land and such Quantity of Other Stock as John Frost & Stephen
Parney shall think sufficient to come on the land, and the Corn and Peck for the use of the said Pulley
& Negroes on the Plantation
17th Decr. 1794

Signed & acknowledged
in presence of
Thomas Amis. J. Symes

John Tillery

Halifax County Feb. February Sessions 1795 Then this will was Exhibited in open Court & duly proved by the
Oath of John Branch one of the subscribing Witnesses thereto; Whereupon Thomas Amis one of the subscribing
Witnesses to the Codicil to the said will annexed. Came in and made oath that John Tillery the Testator
Acknowledged the said Codicil as a Confirmation & republication of his said last will & Testament & thereupon
On motion Ordered that the said will together with the said Codicil annexed thereto be recorded & whereupon
Ephraim Tillery & Henry Motley two of the Executors in the said will named Came in and was duly
subscribed to the same

Witness

Long et al.

In the name of God Amen. I John Williams of the County of Halifax State of North Carolina, being
of sound disposing mind & memory, but being in health do make, ordain, publish, and declare this my last will &
Testament, hereby revoking all others in manner & form following (to wit) I give & bequeath unto my two
Children Nicholas Williams & Sally Williams, a tract of land bought of J. Price, & another Tract near the
Pulley to them & their heirs for ever. I then give & bequeath to my three Daughters, Polly Pratt, Elizabeth
Ellen & Francis Drake a tract of land, lying on Gideons Swamp, the land secured by two Lines of pole
from Douglas & Smith a Tract known by the name of the Lowry Hill land and another known by the name
of the Road land; to them & their heirs for ever. I then give & bequeath to my two Daughters Rebecca & Lucy
Williams a tract of land known by the name of the pine wood Tract in North County, to them & their
heirs for ever. I then give & bequeath to my daughter, Francis Drake three negroes (to wit) Abel, Maria
& Isaac, also two Cows & Calves & a bull, to her & her heirs for ever. I then give & bequeath to my son
Nicholas Williams three negroes Frank, Isham & Patience, also seven Cows & Calves or their value
in other Cattle, a Bed & furniture to him & his heirs for ever. I then give & bequeath to my daughter
Sally Williams three negroes Great Lucy, Phillis and Pips her Cattle & a Bed & furniture seven Cows &
Calves or their value in other Cattle & one of the best horses to be allotted by the Executors to her & her heirs