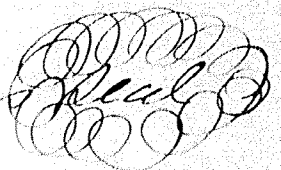


In the Name of God Amen the twenty
sixth day of November in the year of our Lord God 1768 I
John Williams of Halifax County Gentleman being very
sick and Weak in body but of perfect mind and memory
thanks be Given unto God for the same and Calling to
mind the Mortality of my Body and knowing that it
appointed for all men once to die do make and Ordain
this my Last will and Testament that is to say
Principally and first of all I Give and recommend
my soul into the Hands of God that Gave it me
and for my Body I recommend it to the Earth to be
Buried in a Christian like & Decent manner at
the discretion of my Executors nothing Doubting but
the General Resurrection I shall receive the same
again by the mighty power of God and as touching
such Worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased
God to bless me ~~with~~ in this life I Give & direct &
dispose of the same in manner and form following
that is to say in the first place I Give to Mary
my dearly Beloved wife the plantation whereon I
now live together with the House & Orchard &
Lands belonging therunto to her and her proper
and during her life also I Give to my wife my Negro Girl
Named Winna and her Increase to have & possess during her
life also I Give to Mary my wife her Coy as up the
steeple creature to have at her disposing & during her life
also I Give and send bequeath to my friend Micaiah Mayo
the plantation whereon I now live with the first ~~half~~ ^{share} ~~Chili~~
that my Negro Girl Winna bore I Give to my friend ^{Mayo} ~~Mayo~~
after my wifes decease also I Give and bequeath to my son
Julian Mayo my two ~~pieces~~ ^{shares} of land lying on the West
side of Concho swamp also I Give Winna my Negro Girl
and the rest of her Increase to Julian Mayo & they & their heirs
shall have & possess the rest of my

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her life also I Give to Mary my wife her Cows as well
Swine creatures to have at her disposing & during her life
also I Give and bequeath to my friend Micajah Mayo
the plantation whereon I now live with the first thing ^{child}
that my Negro Girl Vinu bears I Give to my friend ^{Mayo} Mayo
after my wife's decease also I Give and bequeath my daughter
Julia Mayo my two pieces of land lying on the West
Side of Concho Swamp also I Give Vinu my Negro Girl
and the best of her increase to Julia Mayo & my Son also
paying the upset debts and legacies also the best of my
Estate divided in three parts two parts whereof I Give
to my wife during her life and the other part I Give
to my Son John Mayo also I constitute and appoint
Mary my wife and Nathaniel Mayo my whole and sole
Executors of this my last will and Testament and I do
hereby utterly & allow revoke and disannul and
every other Testament wills & legacies bequest and
Executors by me in any way & before this time named

Willed and Bequeathed Ratifying and Confirming this &
no other to my last will and Testament in witness
whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day
Day and Year above written

Jam^{es} Story
Benjamin ^{his} Pippin
March

John William 

Daniel ^{his} Murray Halifax County Jst Worcester
Court ^{March} 1771. Then this will was exhibited in open ^{Court} and
~~duely proved~~ by the Executing Mary Williams and duly
proved by the Oath of Daniel Murray who on his Oath
did say that he saw the Testator John Williams
sign Seal Publish and Declare the same to be his last
will and Testament and that he together with Jam^{es} Story
& Benjamin Pippin the other Witnesses Subscribed
severally their respective Names as Witnesses thereto
in the presence of the Testator and at his request
whereupon the Executing aforesaid were duly
Qualified according to Law & on Motion Ordered
to be Recorded

Sec^y Jst. Wrought. C^{ts}