

In the Name of God. Amen, I Arthur Davis of Halifax County & Province
being in perfect senses, mind & Memory, do make & Ordain this my last will & Testament
in manner & form as followeth. Vizt. —

Impremiss — I give & devise to my Eldest son John Davis the plantation whereon
he now lives, containing, One Hundred Acres, more or less, also one Negroe man named
John. — Item: I give & devise to my Second son, Benjamin Davis, one Brandy Hill
Cup, & Worm, also one Tract of land in Nash County, containing 150 Acres, beginning
on Fishing Creek, at a White Oak, at the Mouth of the White Oak branch, running E. to
a Turkey Oak in Wards line, then S. to a pine a corner tree, then W. to a Turkey Oak
in Miller's line, then N. along his line to the first mentioned Creek so down S. Creek
to the first station, it being a Tract of land of Purchase of Archabald Davis.
Item: I give & bequeath to my Daughter Mary Matthews, ten pounds lawful Money
of this state —

Item: I devise my Daughter Martha Blunt may have the use of one Negroe girl named
Patt during her life, & after her decease to the right & Property of her Daughter Sally Blunt.

Item: I give & devise unto my Daughter Patience Davis, one Negroe Woman named
Easter, & all her increase —

Item: I give & devise to my son in law Joseph Blunt, the land & plantation
whereon I now live, containing 200 Acres, more or less, lying both sides of Fishing Creek.
Also I devise he may have one Negroe Boy named Pat & one Feather Bed & furniture
two Cows & Calves, two pigs & pigs, & two ewes & Lambs. —

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to a Turkey Oak in Wards line, then S. to a pine a corner tree, then W. to a Turkey Oak
in Millers line, then N. along his line to the first mentioned creek so down S. corner
to the first station, it being a Tract of Land I purchased of Nathaniel Davis.
Item: I Give & bequeath to my Daughter Lucy Matthews, ten pounds lawfull Money
of this state -

I Item: I desire my Daughter Martha Blunt may have the use of one Negroe Girl name
patt during her life, & after her decease to the right & property of her daughter Polly Blunt.

I Item: I Give & devise unto my Daughter Patience Davis, One Negroe Woman named
Easter, & all her increase -

I Item: I Give & devise to my son in law Joseph Blunt, the land I blint tacked
whereon I now live, containing 200 Acres, more or less, lying both sides of Springers
Also I desire he may have one Negroe Boy named Peter one Leather Bed & furniture
two Cows & Calves, two sows & pigs, & two ewes & Lambs. —

I Item: my will & desire is that one Negroe Man named James, one Negroe woman
named Fanny, One Negroe boy named Jack, & one Negroe Girl named Nancy, may
be assigned & extended to settle with & pay off Chloe Blunt, Polly Blunt, Benj. Blunt,
Richd. Blunt, & Joseph Blunt: & the remainder of the Value of the above 3. Negroes
after, I desire may be Equally divided between the above 3. Chloe, Polly, Benj.
Richd. & Joseph Blunt, & my Grand Daughter in law Molly Garrett.

I Item: I Give & devise, also to the S. Benj. Blunt above mentioned, a Tract of Land in Wash.

185 County, containing One Hundred Acres, beginning at the Mouth of the White Oak branch, on Fishing Creek, at a White Oak, running E. to a Turkey Oak in Ward's line, thence to the Creek, so up S. Creek to Gainers old line, then along to the Creek & up the S. Creek to the First Station.

Item: I desire that after my Just debts & Legacies, herein Mentioned is paid out that the Remainder & Residue of my Estate may be Equally Divided between the Davis, Benj^r Davis, Sarah Matthews, Martha Blunt, & Patience Davis, & my three Grand Children, that is now living in the State of Georgia (to Wit) John Matthews, Patsy Matthews & Patience Matthews, (i.e.) that the s^d three shall have one equal share Equally divided among them.

Lastly: I nominate & appoint my son John Davis, & my trusty friend John Harrison Sen^r my whole & sole Executors of this my last will & Testament & that my whole Estate, may be settled & divided at the Election & discretion of these my Ex^{rs} of this my last will & Testament making. Void all other wills by me heretofore made In Witness whereunto I have set my hand & affixed my seal this June 2^d second. Day of Year of Our Lord One thousand seven hundred & Ninety.

Signed & sealed in presence of
Robt. Green. Joseph Haddy. & Ambrose Hadley
Halifax County N.C.

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Davis, Son. & others
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Mathews, Patty Mathews & Patience Mathews, (i.e.) that the s^d. three shall have
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Robt. Green, Joseph Hadley, & Ambrose Hadley }
Halifax County N^c

August Sessions 1790: Then this Will was Exhibited in Open
Court & duly proved by the Oath of Joseph Hadley & Ambrose Hadley, two of the sub-
scribing witnesses thereto & On Motion Ordered to be Recorded. Whereupon John
Davis, came in & was Qualified in due form of law as an Executor thereto.

Test, W^m Wooten C. C.

On the Name of Robt. Green, Thomas Turner of the County of