

Josiah Hurst will Copy of

In The Name of God Amen I Josiah Hurst of Halifax County being sick and weak, but in perfect sense and memory Thanks be to Almighty God for the same and Calling to mind the uncertainty of this frail State, and that it is appointed for man once to Die, do prepare, make & declare — This to be my last will and Testament in Manner and Form following: — I first of all I resign and Recommend my mortal Soul into the hands of my Mediator and Redeemer Christ Jesus, in full assurance of hope, of a Glorious Resurrection at the last day unto eternal Glory, and for what worldly Goods, God in his infinite Mercy hath been pleased to allow me, I Give and dispose as follows — ^{I am here to pay interest till I reach England my plantation I have} ^{Call to hope & keep through the natural life}

I am I Give and Bequeath to my Eldest Daughter Betsey Hurst my Negro boy Sam, at coming of age, or at her Marriage — to her and her heirs forever, Then I Give and bequeath to my Daughter Sally Hurst my Negro Boy Will — at her coming of age or marriage, to her and her heirs forever — Then I Give and bequeath to my Daughter Nancy Hurst my Negro Boy Salomon — at her coming of age or marrying, to her and her heirs forever — ^{Then} I Give and bequeath to my Daughter Patsy Hurst my Negro Boy Patsy — at her coming of age or marriage, to her and her heirs forever —

Jenifer Hurst will Copy

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as follows: — I am aware to my interest that I have my plantation that I have
Cattle Hogs & Slaves during his Natural life

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Hurst my Negro boy Sam, at coming of age or at her Marri-
age to her and her heirs forever, I am I Give and bequeath
to my Daughter Sally Hurst my Negro Boy Will — at her coming
of age or marriage, to her and her heirs forever —
I am I Give and bequeath to my Daughter Nancy Hurst my Negro
Boy Solomon — at her coming of age or Marrying, to her
and her heirs forever — I am I Give and bequeath to my
Daughter Lydia Hurst my Negro Girl Winney at her coming
of age or marriage, to her and her heirs forever

431 I give and bequeath to my Daughter Molly Hurst my
Negro Girl Chloe, at her coming of age or Marriage, to her and
her heirs forever — I give and bequeath to my Daugh-
ter Fannie Hurst the first Child my Negro woman Jane bears
and if she never has a Child then my Daughter Fannie.

My Hurst Estate to be made equal to the rest of my Children out
of my Negro man Harry and Negro woman Jean, to her &
her heirs forever — I give and bequeath to my

Beloved wife Fina Hurst, should be with Child now, that
the Child unborn, to have so much of the remaining part
of my Estate, as shall be equal with the rest of my Children

I leave to my beloved wife Fina Hurst my Negro man
Harry and my Negro woman Jane, during her natural life &
that she shall not Carry, or Cause to be Carried, the said Negro
out of the County where I now live — It is my will and

Desire, that if ^{any of} my Children die under age without a
Lawfull Issue, then what I have given them to be Equa-
lly divided among those that are living, and if any
of the Negroes die which I have given to any of my
Children before they are Lawfully Married with the

of the negroes die which I have given to any of
Children, before they are Lawfully Possessed with the
same, then their Estate to be made Equal to the rest
out of ^{of the negroes} my Estate — It is my will and Desire that
my Children may remain on my plantation till the
Youngest Child Comes of age or Marry — if it is my will
and Desire that my Land after the Death of my wife, and my
Youngest Child Coming of age, or Marrying, to be Sold
and the Money equally Divided among my Children —

Lastly I appoint my beloved wife, my Friend Jefe Read
Crisley Cox, and John Cone, Executors of this my last will &
Testament, Revoking all other wills, In the presence
whereof I have Set my hand and Seal the 16th of
December 1780 — ^{Edw. H. H.} ¹⁶ ¹⁷⁸⁰
^{Edw. H. H.}

Whereas the original will of Spencer Hurst Dec.
which was proved in Court by the oath of Thomas Williams one
of the Subscribing witnesses thereto, is lost or misplaced, that it
is not to be found on Record, we being well ~~satisfied~~ ^{satisfied} that the
above is a Just and true Copy of the Said will do Jointly
& Severally agree that this Copy shall stand in full force
as the Original will, and that we will abide by, and

in Saluted with the same
Day of November 1793

Witness our hands this 21

Christopher Pritchett
Thomas Harney

Albion County Secy

E. J. Hurst
John Pritchett
Mrs Pritchett
James Read
Zach Sullivan

August 1804. When this paper purporting
to be a copy of the last will and Testament of Spencer
Hurst decd. was exhibited in open Court and thereupon J. P. Read
Came in and made oath that the same was a copy of the
original will drawn from the original by himself
at the same time Christopher Pritchett a Witness to the within
agreement thereon signed by the heirs of the said Spencer
Hurst decd. Came in and made oath that he saw the said
willed and on Motion ordered to be Recorded

Witness
J. Longblat

In the name of God Amen, I Subj
Halters County and State

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