

Thomas Jarvis Will

In the Name of God, Amen I Thomas Jarvis of the
County of Halifax in the Province of North Carolina
being at this present of sound and disposing Mind
and Memory and calling to mind the Mortality of
Man, do make and ordain this to be my last Will and
Testament hereby revoking and annulling all other
Wills by me formerly made.

In witness whereof I recommend my Soul to God who gave it me
and my Body to the Earth at the Direction of my
Expos hereafter made.

Item I give devise and bequeath to my Son
Frederick Jarvis and his Heirs forever my two upper
Tracts of Land upon Sandy Creek in Wake County
patented in my own Name, also one hundred
and thirty ^{two} Acres of Land joining the aforesaid Land
on the South Side, being a Tract of I forget of
John Nelson, and also one hundred Acres of Land
that I forget of John L. oil joining the said Lands
Item I give devise and bequeath to my Son Frederick
Jarvis and his Heirs forever my Land and Plantation
whereon William Jarvis now lives, lying in Halifax
County containing one hundred Acres and the Land
thereunto adjoining patented by my self and also
seven hundred Acres of Land lying in Wake County
adjoining Daniel Nadeau.

Item I give the use of my Mannor Plantation
containing seven hundred and eighty one Acres to
my loving Wife during her natural Life with
Privilege of cutting and clearing Land and every other
Advantage which she shall think proper to make use of

deedment hereby resolving and availing all other
Wills by me formerly made.

Imprimis I recommend my Soul to God who gave it ^{me}
and my Body to the Earth at the direction of my
expos hereafter named.

I Item I give devise and bequeath to my Son
Frederick Davis and his Heirs for ever my two upper
Tracts of Land upon Sandy Creek in Burke County
patented in my own Name, also one hundred
and thirty ^{two} Acres of Land joining the aforesaid Land
on the South Side, being a Tract of I forgot of
John Watson, and also one hundred Acres of Land
that I forgot of John Loeil joining the said Tracts
I Item I give devise and bequeath to my Son Godwin
Davis and his Heirs for ever my Land and Plantation
whereon William Davis now lives, lying in Halifax
County containing two hundred Acres and the Land
thereunto adjoining patented by my self and also
seven hundred Acres of Land lying in Burke County
adjoining Daniel Nadeau.

I Item I give the use of my Mannor Plantation
containing seven hundred and eighty one Acres to
my loving Wife during her natural Life and with
Power of selling and conveying Land and every other
Advantage which she shall think proper to make use of
and at her Decease I give devise and bequeath
the same to my Son Dolphin Davis and his Heirs for ever
and also my large stock during the Life of my Wife and
her the use of said after her Decease I give the same to my
Said Son Dolphin, I also give and bequeath to my said
Son Dolphin Davis and his Heirs for ever one hundred
Acres of Land lying in the County of Halifax adjoining
my Mannor Plantation, also one Tract of Land patented
my own Name, lying part in Edgecombe County and part

in Butte County, adjoining James Harcom George Portis
& Lewis Harris —

I then I give demise and separate to my son Thomas Harris
and his heirs forever my plantation on the North Side
Creek that I bought of John Watson in Butte County contain 3
one hundred and seventy acres of Land, and also one
plantation adjoining the same on the South Side said
Creek, in the said County containing one hundred and
seventy acres of Land also one plantation containing one
hundred acres of Land bought of Arthur Watson adjoining
the said Land on both sides the said Creek also one hundred
acres of Land patented in my name and lying in the same County
adjoining the said Lands, and Benjamin Wheelison the
North Side of the said Creek, also one hundred and
one forty acres of Land lying on the South Side Red
Creek, adjoining Robert Hill in the aforesaid County
& bought of John Watson —

I then I give and separate to my son John Harris and
his heirs forever all that tract of Land, that I bought
of John Hill patented in my name, and also all the
remaining part of the said tract, contained in the same
patent together with all the same part in Edgecombe
and part in Butte County, also all my Land lying
in Edgecombe County, and that is patented in my
own name and not before given or disposed of —

I then I give demise and separate to my well beloved
Harris and his heirs forever all the rest of my Lands not
before divided —

I then I give and separate to my nephew Shovelian
Harris Son of Lewis Harris one Negro Girl named
Solar her Decreee I say to him and his heirs forever

I then I give and separate to my slave, the Nelly Harris
one Negro Woman ^{and her progeny} I say to her and her heirs forever
I then, I leave the use of my Negroes to wit: John & David

several acres of land also one plantation containing one hundred acres of land bought of Arthur Watson adjoining the said land on both sides the said creek also some hundred acres of land patented in my own name lying in the same county adjoining the said lands, and Benjamin Wheelison the North Side of the said creek also 84 hundred and one foot less of land lying on the North Side Red Bank Creek, adjoining Robert Hill in the same county & bought of John Watson—

I then I give and bequeath to my son John Davis and his heirs for ever all that tract of land, that I bought of John War patented in my Name, and also all the remaining part of the said tract, contained in the same Patent lying on White Oak Swamp part in Edgecombe and part in Beale County also all my land lying in Edgecombe County and that is patented in my own Name and not before given or disposed of — I then I give devise and bequeath to my well beloved daughter and his heirs for ever all the rest of my lands not before divided —

Item I give and bequeath to my nephew Shiolesian
 Slavis Son of Lewis Slavis one Negro Girl named
 Solar her Dower I say to him and his Heirs for ever
 Item I give and bequeath to my slave, the Sally Slavis
 one Negro named ^{and her daughter} Pink, I say to her and her Heirs for ever
 Item, I leave the use of four Negroes to wit: Dick & David
 Rose and Mary, to my loving Wife & to her Heirs for
 Natural Life, and after the death of the Dower wife
 of the said Mary, to be & remain during her natural
 Life, and after her death to be & remain the said four Negroes
 Dick and David Rose & Mary and their Heirs
 to be equally divided among my Children & their
 legal Representatives —
 Now and my Will and Desire is that all the rest of

my personal Estate not before disposed of since
Went together and divided and the Profits thereof being
to be applied, towards the Support and Maintenance of my
Young Wife and the Support and Education of my Child-
ren and in Case my Wife should marry then I desire
that all my house hold Goods and Furniture should be
equally divided, between my seven Children & my Young
Wife that is to say in eight equal Parts, and when either
of my Children shall arrive at the age of twenty one years
or marry then my Will and desire is that all the rest
of my personal Estate of what Nature or Kind soever
but before mentioned shall be equally divided to and
amongst my seven Children or their legal Representatives
Or in Case my said Wife should marry, then I desire the
aforesaid division should be made in the same manner
as if either of my said seven Children had married or arrived
to the age of twenty one years &c.

Item I give and bequeath to my Brother Lewis Harris
Ten pounds ~~Virginia~~ money to be paid out of the Profits
of my personal Estate &c.

Also I give and bequeath to my Friends Maj^r Joseph
Montfort and my Friend Blake Baker ~~Esq~~ ^{Shirley County}
Virg^t money for their trouble in acting as Exors to be
paid out of the Profits of my personal Estate
and I do hereby nominate my Brother Lewis Harris &
my trusty and beloved Friends Joseph Montfort & Blake
Baker Exors of this my last Will & Testament in Testam^t
whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal this 24th
day of September Anno Domini 1764 The said J^d Thomas
Harris Sealed published and ~~declared~~ pronounced &
delivered in presence of Samuel Harris Abraham
Green J^r Green Thomas Mann
Halefax County January Court 1765

This is a true and correct copy of the original of the

of my children when I was at the age of twenty one years
or younger than my Holland Sister is that all the rest
of my personal Estate of what Nature or Kind soever
but before mentioned shall be equally divided to and
amongst my seven Children or their legal Representatives
As in and by my said Wife should marry, then I desire the
aforesaid Division should be made in the same manner
as if either of my said seven Children had married or died
to the age of twenty one years & so on
I have given and bequeathed to my Brother Lewis Harris
Seven pounds ~~Virginia~~ Money to be raised out of the Profits
of my personal Estate
I have given and bequeathed to my Friends Maj^r Joseph
Moulton and my Friend Blakely Baker ~~Esq~~ ^{Esq} Twenty pounds
Virginia Money for their Trouble in making as aforesaid to be
paid out of the Profits of my personal Estate
And I do hereby nominate my Brother Lewis Harris &
my trusty and beloved Friends Joseph Moulton & Blakely
Baker Esqrs of this my last Will & Testament in Testimony
whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal this 29th
day of September 1764 The Master of & Thomas
Harris Sealed published and ~~pronounced~~ pronounced &
delivered in presence of Samuel Harris Abraham
Green Jr Green Thomas Mann
Halefax County January Court 1765

This was in open Court duly proved to be the last Will &
Testament of Thomas Harris deceased by the Oaths of
Samuel Harris and Abraham Green being the subscribing
Witnesses thereto and Lewis Harris was duly qualified
as an Executor in the same Order &c &c

Jos: Moulton