

In the Name of God Amen, the truly forth Slave of Jesus
in the Year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred & sixty four, I William Farguson
of Halifax County being in very weak in body, tho in my perfect, Reason, Mind and Senses, be-
lieve God first, and therefore calling to mind the Mortality of my Body and knowing it is appointed
all Men once to die do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament. That to say I bequeath
and give of all I do command my Soul into the Hands of God to be spared and for my Body I re-
mand it to the Earth to be buried in a Christian like Manner and decent at the Discretion of my
Executors after named Nothing Doubting but at the General Resurrection I shall receive the same
again by the Mighty Power of God, and as touching such Things as my Worldly Estate I have
God has blessed me with in this Life I first desire and dispose of in the following
Manner & Sense, First I desire that one half of my Estate be sold by my Executors and at
their Discretion without any Strife or other Officer to pay to my lawful Wife of each thing
as my Wife can share. Next I desire that my Executor after named may sell my Land and
Plantation at Public Auction and half the Money to be paid ready down, and the rest the Purchaser
to have I desire to be paid in my Bond and Security, and I wish and desire that everything
dear of my Estate both within Doors and without be lent to my dear Wife Jane Farguson
and I hereby lend the same to her during the Time of her natural Life and after her death I
desire it to be equally divided between my two Children namely Sarah Farguson to whom
my Wife is to give it if both live and if but one should live I desire that one shall have it
all I therefore constitute make and ordain my Brother Nemrod Farguson and my Wife Jane
Farguson my my only sole Executors of this my last Will and Testament and do hereby utterly
disallow Repulse and disannul all and every other Testaments Wills, Legacies and Executors
made in any kind by me named Willed and bequeathed ratifying and Confirming this and Nothing
to be my last Will and Testament. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand &
Seal the day and Date above written. William Farguson (Seal)
Signed in Presence of Mth Rabun, W^m Nutcray, R^ond^o Taylor, Tho^s Molloy.
July Court 1764 This Will was exhibited in open Court on oath and duly proved by the Oath of
Matthew Rabun and Thomas Molloy two of the Subscribing Witnesses who on their
Oath did say they saw W^m Farguson sign and seal the above as his last Will & Testament
and that they likewise saw W^m Nutcray and R^ond^o Taylor the other two
Subscribing Witnesses sign the said Will as Witnesses to the same. Whereupon Nemrod
Farguson and Jane Farguson the Executors named in the said Will were duly
Qualified by taking the Oath of Office and Qualification. Motion ordered to be
recorded. Lest