

and two negroes Jimmey and Lewis to him and his heirs and assigns forever.

Item: I give to my said son John Drake two negroes named Phillis and Frank to him his heirs and assigns forever.

Item: I give and bequeath to my son Silas Drake one negro woman named Easter to him his heirs and assigns forever.

Item: I give and bequeath to my son Albright Drake a negro boy named Philip to him his heirs and assigns forever. I lend to my wife Hartwell one negro named Buck for and during her life also I lend to my son Benjamin Drake two negroes Rose and Ray for and during the life of his mother.

Item: I give to Michael and Elizabeth Collins forty shillings each to them their heirs and assigns forever. also all the rest and residue of my estate I give to my three children to wit, Lyda Hadley, Sarah Bridgers and Milbrey wheelless to them their heirs and assigns forever.

I do hereby constitute and appoint Mathew Drake, Albright and John Hodges Drake executors to this my last will and testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this day of  
Signed, sealed, and acknowledged  
in presence of

(Seal)

In the Name of God Amen. I James Drake, of Nash County, North Carolina a resident but being now on the city of Richmond in the State of Virginia and of sound and disposing mind and memory but all in health do make ordain publish and declare this my last will and testament hereby revoking all and every former will whatsoever. Imprimis: It is my will and desire, that the devises of my lands in the said State of North Carolina and the bequests of my personal goods in the said state, shall take place, be regulated, distributed and apportioned among my children according to the distribution and apportionments made and contained in a writing headed and begun in the form of a will and written as far as the same is done and written, in the hand writing of William Skipwith Mearns of the aforesaid State of North Carolina and intended by me at the period the said writing was written (as it at this present time is intended ment and willed) to be a revocation and revoking all and every former will and whatsoever. and in order to prevent disputes my meaning is and I declare my will to be that all my former wills and all distributions and disposals of my property by will in any other manner or proportions and to any other person or persons otherwise than as in the said piece of writing written by and in the hand writing of the aforesaid William Skipwith Mearns is directed shall be revoked and held and esteemed void and of none effect. and I do hereby ratify and confirm all the devises and bequests in the said piece of writing written as aforesaid by the aforesaid William Skipwith Mearns, contained according to the true intent and meaning of the said devised and bequests and according to the proportions and allotments therein made

and laid down. Item: I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Hartwell Drake for and during the term of my said wife's natural life, my yellowish negro wench Nancy and her issue begotten and to be gotten and after the death of my said wife I give and bequeath the said wench Nancy and her issue to my beloved son John Drake and his assigns forever.

Item: I give and bequeath to my beloved son Silas Drake my set of Tinkers tools to him and his assigns forever. Item: I leave my said beloved son John Drake and the aforesaid William Skipwith Mearns, executors of this my last will and testament. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal at Richmond Virginia this ninth day of July A.D. 1901. *(the will in Richmond is 1791)*

Signed, sealed, acknowledged  
and delivered in presence of us;  
J. Vaughan, Jacob Valentine  
John V. Kantzman, John Stewart  
State of Virginia

James Drake (Seal)

I Adam Craig clerk of the County of Henrico county do hereby certify that it a court held for the said county by the Justice of the Peace thereof at the city of Richmond in the State of Virginia aforesaid on Monday the first day of August one thousand seven hundred and ninety one the last will and testament of James Drake deceased, the foregoing whereof is a true copy was presented in court, and being then and there proved by the oaths of James Vaughan, Jacob Valentine and John Kantzman. Witness thereto was admitted to record. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of my office at Richmond aforesaid this twelfth day of August one thousand seven hundred and ninety one.

Adam Craig, C. C. C.

Virginia, to wit I do hereby certify that Adam Craig Gent who signs the foregoing certificate is clerk of the court of Henrico county, and that full faith and credit ought to be given to all things by him certified as such. Given under my hand as Governor and under the seal of the commonwealth at Richmond this 31st day of August, 1791.

Beverly Randolph.

Nash County the foregoing will was exhibited in open court and ordered to be recorded.

Attest. "m Hall, C. C.

and is registered in obedience to the above order.

Attest. "m Hall, C. C.

In the name of God Amen I Cooper Jones of the county of Nash and State of North Carolina being of sound mind and memory do make this my last will and testament in manner and form following that is to say.

Item: I give and bequeath to my son Mathew Jones one grey mare, one bed and furniture now in his possession also one cow and calf to him and his heirs.

Item: I give and bequeath to my daughter Penny Jones my largest sorrel horse one side saddle and bridle, one bed and furniture, one cow and calf to her and her heirs.