

15thly as there still remain some part of my Estate not mentioned in this will I doe hereunto that after the death of my wife & not before my Executors may dispose of the same lawfully and the money arising by such sale to be equally divided betwixt my said Executors or the survivors of them & my son Madoc Edwards to them & their heirs forever

16thly I do hereby nominate & appoint my two sons John Edwards & Cullen Edwards Executors of this my will, ratifying & confirming this to be my last will & Testament, consisting of five pages with my name subscribed at the bottom of each page, signed with my hand & sealed with my seal this fourth day of December in the fifth year of this present Majestys reign the year of our Lord Christ one thousand seven hundred and sixty four.

Published pronounced & acknowledged by the said John Edwards & Cullen Edwards as his last will & Testament in presence of as the subscribers Benj Bryans, Chas. Bryan, Thos. Plannor, John Hughtett.

Witness our hands the survivors of them in page 6 were interlined before the witnesses Be it known that I John Edwards of Northampton County, having in the preceding four pages put my last will & Testament into writing bearing date the fourth instant & my son John having since departed this life, do by way of Codicil, annex the following particulars to wit: I give & bequeath unto my son Cullen Edwards eighty Acres of Land by Earl Granville Survey in New Castle River in Halifax to him & his heirs forever

I do hereby nominate & appoint my son in Law James Seaney Joint Executor with my son Cullen of this my will in the stead of my son John Edwards as he shall be entitled to the Profits arising & bequeathed to said Executor in the residuary Legacy mentioned in the fifth page of this my will. In testimony whereof I have hereunto put my hand & seal this 28th day of December 1765 In presence of as the witnesses. John Edwards & Cullen Thos. Plannor, Gran Hall, Henry Dawson, Northampton County 5 May Court 1765 The preceding will of John Edwards as aforesaid is exhibited into and

spread by the oath of Benjamin Bryant Charles Bryant & Thomas Plannor all sworn thereto, also the Codicil thereto annexed as aforesaid by the oath of Thomas Plannor Gran Hall & Henry Dawson all sworn thereto at the same time James Seaney & Cullen Edwards qualified as Executors of the said will & Order, all which as aforesaid to be certified & recorded. Teste Willie Jones Clet.

Joshua Hapst Will

In the Name of God Amen I Joshua Hapst of Northampton in the Province of North Carolina, being very sick in a weak Condition & knowing it is appointed for all men once to die, I hereby make & ordain this my last will & Testament in manner & form following my words.

First I recommend my soul to Almighty God the Giver, and as for my goods by goods I give & bequeath as follows

Item I give & bequeath unto my son in Law Thomas Tomlinson one Shilling Sterling

Item I give & bequeath unto my son in Law Thomas Matthews one Shilling Sterling

Item I give & bequeath unto my son Joshua Hapst junr, all the rest of my Estate both real & personal to him & his heirs forever, and I do hereby appoint my son Joshua Hapst junior my whole sole Executors to this my last will & Testament & do hereby revoke all others made heretofore either by deed or writing. In witness hereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this second day of November in the year of our Lord, one thousand seven hundred and fifty nine.

Signed sealed & in presence of us. Joshua Hapst & Asa C. Vinson Vaughan, Sarah Plagland - her mark Northampton County 5 May Court 1765

The preceding will of Joshua Hapst dead as aforesaid is exhibited into Court spread by the oath of Sarah Plagland & Asa C. Vinson thereto at the same place as Hapst & Asa C. Vinson being sworn, which was ordered on motion to be certified & recorded. Teste Willie Jones Clet

Thomas Jones's Will

In the Name of God Amen I Thomas Jones of Northampton County in North Carolina this weak in body, got of a sound & perfect understanding & do constitute this my last will & Testament & do give

Impress: I give my body to the earth from whence it was taken, in full assurance
of its Resurrection from thence at the last day, so for my Burial I desire
it to be done decent without Pomp or State at the discretion of my
Near at life & my Executors amongst the friends, who I doubt not
will manage it with all requisite Moderation as to my dear little
Estate I did & particularly order that all my Debts be paid.

I give & bequeath my life Mary Jones for the term of life part of my
land bounded from Henry Ashlers line to my line as my Plantations
give the upper part from the Swamp

I give to my Daughter Elizabeth five hundred shillings Proclamation money.

I give to my son Thomas three hundred shillings Proclamation money.

I give to my son Nathaniel five hundred shillings Proclamation money.

I give & bequeath unto my Cousin Simon Jones my Plantation
whereon I now live, with all the lands & buildings wholly about it,
to have this his heirs forever.

I give to my Cousin Simon Jones all my dogs & two Cows.

I give & bequeath to Simon Jones my horse & saddle & all my
furniture & one Iron pot & one faggot & hereby constitute Simon Jones
my sole executor of this my last and testament. In witness where
of I have hereunto set my hand & seal the 4th day of April in the
year of our Lord 1745. Thomas Jones & a seal

Henry Ashler, Clerk, & a seal
Simon Jones, Clerk, & a seal

Northampton County, ss. May Court 1745

The preceding will of Thomas Jones deceased as exhibited into
Court & proved by the oath of Henry Ashler subscribing witness
also Simon Jones qualified as Executor thereof, which when
made was ordered to be certified & recorded.

Teste Willm Jones Ck

VENN Vaughan's will

In the name of God Amen, I Venn Vaughan of Northampton
County, in the Province of North Carolina being sick & weak
in body, but of perfect mind & memory, thank God to go further
Amen, & calling to mind the mortality of my Body &

knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die. Do make & ordain
this my last will & testament, that is to say, I give & bequeath first of all, I
give ^{giving} my soul into the hand of almighty God that gave it; my body I
recommend to the Earth to be buried in a decent Christian like
manner, at the discretion of my Executors, nothing doubting but at
the general resurrection I shall receive the same again by the might
of power of God, & as touching such worldly estate & other with
it hath pleased God to bless me with in this life, I give & bequeath
the same, after my just Debt is paid in the following manner & form.

I give & bequeath unto Venn Vaughan son of John Vaughan my
land & Plantation I now live on, also one negro woman named
Lucy, and one negro boy named Cato to him & his heirs forever.

I give & bequeath to John Vaughan son of John Vaughan one
negro boy named Phil, also one negro girl named Mary, to him & his heirs forever.

I give & bequeath unto Martha Vaughan Daughter of John Vaughan one
German named Harry, to her & her heirs forever.

I give & bequeath unto Susannah Vaughan Daughter of John Vaughan
one negro boy named Robin, to her & her heirs forever.

I give & bequeath unto James Sancy for the good and the comfort
of his soul & Proclamation money to him & his heirs forever.

I give & bequeath unto my Cousin William Vaughan all my remaining
apparel to him & his heirs forever.

Lastly my will & desire is that my land that lies at the crop Roads near
James Stantons & all the rest of my Estate that is not before mentioned
be sold at an auction at the discretion of my Executors hereafter mentioned
till my just Debts funeral expenses & Legacies above mentioned be paid
paid & what is then shall remain in the hands of my Executors to be
equally divided between my Sister Margaret Vaughan & my
Sister Sarah Crump, I do hereby appoint John Vaughan & James
Sancy my whole & sole Executors to this my last and testament
& I do hereby revoke all other wills made by me either by writing or
otherwise. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this
last day of December 1744. Venn Vaughan & a seal
Signed & sealed by Venn Vaughan in presence
of us William Malone, Robert H. Malone, Nathaniel Jones
Clerk