

Set my hand and seal this day & year first written of return.

Signed sealed & delivered Samuel Perkins & a seal
in presence of us Test Joseph Edwards, Joseph Rader, Notary Public
Northampton County February Court 1765.

The within witness will of Samuel Perkins did swear & subscribe into
Court & proved on the oath of Moses Davis one of the subscribers
of this Deed, at the same time Mary Perkins alias Perle died
deceased being of which an attestation was ordered to be certified &
swear'd. John Edwards Clerk

John Edwards, Jr. Will

In the name of god Amen I John Edwards of Northampton County in the
Province of North Carolina being of sound mind & memory thank be to
Almighty God to make & retain this my last Will & Testament.

I first command my soul to Almighty God in full hope of his future happy
niss to my body to the earth to be decently buried at the direction
of my executors very according to estate I dispose of in the following manner
I give & bequeath to my son Thomas Edwards all my land lying in Roanoke
County in this his forever altho a negro guy to him this his forever
I give & bequeath unto my daughter Mary Edwards two negroes & some
Chaffers and furniture to her the heirs forever
I give & bequeath unto my daughter Elizabeth Edwards two negroes & some
Chaffers and furniture to her the heirs forever.

I give & bequeath to my loving wife Sarah Edwards three negroes took back
to her the Plantation where she now live inhabiting the land, by a
line of trees midway between her Plantation fence & the new
Corn field fence made by my father John Edwards during
the continuance of the lease also my land up to Bear Swamp together
with all the remainder of my estate after my just debts & funeral ex-
penses are paid I stay to her the heirs forever.

I give to my Father John Edwards that part of my land where his
new Corn field stands divided by the line mentioned in the preceding
legacy during the continuance of the original Lease.
It is my Will & desire that all my just debts & expenses be first paid
by my executors & what ever money shall remain in the

hands of my executors to be equally distributed between my wife & three
children also my desire is the Supreme Disposition my two daughters
Mary & Elizabeth may be distributed to each of them when they arrive
at the age of eighteen years on the day of marriage of either
of my two children Thomas, Mary, or Edie, with their consent
before that they come to age or moreover that the whole shall
be divided between the survivor or survivors of them.

I do hereby nominate & appoint James Daney & Thomas Hunter exec-
utors of this my last will & testament, ratifying & confirming the
same. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal
this first day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand
seven hundred & forty four John Edwards his X sign'd
Signed sealed & delivered by the said testator in presence of us Joseph Rader, Notary Public
Northampton County February Court 1765

The within written will was exhibited in Court & proved on the
oath of Joseph Rader one of the subscribing subscribers thereto, at the
same time James Daney & Thomas Hunter were qualified exec-
utors thereof, on motion was ordered to be Certified & Recorded
Northampton County. John Edwards Clerk

The preceding Wills from page 63 to this page 74 are prov'd
in the Superior Court of North Carolina & recordate Clerk of
Northampton County, and Certified by him but left un-
sealed, therefore they are record'd by

Willie Jones Esq

Charles Neder's Will

In the name of god Amen I Charles Neder of
Northampton County & Province of Carolina being sick &
weak in body but of perfect sound mind & memory do
constitute & appoint this my last Will & Testament in
Manner & form following viz

Witness I bequeath my soul to Almighty God who gave it
me & my body to be buried to be decently buried at
the direction of my executors herein after mentioned for
what worldly estate it hath been pleased God to

With me with I do despatch in manner & form following

Item My will & desire is that my plantation & tract of Land in Virginia containing four hundred acres be sold & the Money therefrom arising be laid out in Negro Slaves and those Slaves brought together with the slaves I now have on the plantation wherew^r I now live this being done I desire that all my Estate of every kind and nature whatever be left together by my Executors hereafter mentioned for the support & maintenance of my loving wife & children until such time as my children arrive at full age Provided my wife should not marry before that time But in case she should marry before my children be of full age my desire is that she have five slaves her own of all the Negroes that shall then belong to my estate & proportionable part of all the live Stock & Household furniture also with a proportionable part of the profits arising from the said Estate till that time over & above what shall maintain herself & my children If any there be & to have the use of the Manor plantation to work her slaves or & the residue of the Negroes to other estates to be equally divided among my three Daughters that they also have liberty to make use of a portion lands in common with my wife and at the decease of my loving wife provided it shall be after my daughters arrival at full age my desire is then that the said lands may be sold and not otherwise & the money arising therefrom to be equally divided among my said daughters who shall divide them.

Item I give and bequeath to Chas. Woolfolk my Silver Watch my Silver Shoes & Hair buckles and Silver Bush Claps & sword

Item I give & bequeath to Richard Woolfolk ten pounds Tynes money to buy him a suit of Mourning

Partly I do nominate (omitted) and appoint my loving wife

Successor to Richard Woolfolk & John Goddard executors of this my last will & Testament fully revoking & renouncing & revoking & void all former & other wills by me hitherto made ratifying & confirming this to be my last will & testament in writing whereof I have set my hand & affix my seal this 25 day Decr Anno domini 1764

Signed sealed published & declared to be my last will and testament in presence of James Holdom, Thomas Stewart, Samuel Eliot, John Webb Northampton off May Court 1765. the executors appointed of Chas. Woolfolk & I was exequated unto Forest & signed by the oath of Samuel Eliot & John Webb subscriber witness thereto at the same time and under their qualified hands whereof this was alighted to be subscribed & executed Teste sigillata J: Jones ecx

John Edwards Will

In the name of God Amen. I John Edwards of Archaington Esq^r in the Province of North Carolina being of sound mind & memory do make & ordain this my last will & Testament

First I recommend my soul to almighty God in full hope of his future happiness & my body to the earth to be decently interred my worldly goods I dispose of in manner & form following

1st I give Bequeath unto my son Thomas Edwards fifty Pounds Sterling money lent to him heretofore with several other sums of money paid for him and charged in account all my best suit of Clothe one pair of Velvet Breeches one Beaver hat & a large toe of my best Holland shirt & Cravat to him his heirs forever.

2dly I give Bequeath unto my son John Edwards eighty acres of Land by Earl Greenwells Duk on American Swamp in Halifax County all my Coopers tools & two Tids whip one Crop at law all my Books which he is leaving Deth to him his heirs forever.

3dly I give Bequeath unto my son Dick Edwards the land of Plantation