

Robert Boyd Will

In the name of God amen I Robert Boyd being sick & weak but of perfect mind & memory thank be given unto God, calling unto 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 principally & first of all I commend my soul into the hand of Almighty God that gave it & my body to the earth to be buried in a decent manner at the discretion of my friends hoping at the general Resurrection I shall receive the same by the mighty power of God, & to such intent where with it please God to bless me with in this life I give & devise of in the following manner.

Item I give to Henry Jones one Shilling & eight pence pro com'ny & no more to be paid out of my Estate after my decease Item I give to my beloved wife Letitia Boyd all the rest of my estate vizt, Negroe Stock of all kinds that I possess, Household goods & furniture to her own proper use & disposal forever disposing my just debts out of the above named Estate whereon I likewise constitute make & ordain the sole executrix of this my last will & testament & I do hereby entirely withdraw & disannul all & every other former Testament either by myself or any other by me made or by any man or woman named William & by me called Ratifying this the other to be my last will & testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my seal this thirteenth day of September in the year of our Lord thousand three hundred & eighty three  
Signed sealed & delivered *Robert Boyd* & seal  
in presence of David Mann, Ann Hinckins, *Hezekiah*, Robert Bell, William Bell.

Nantucket County 1st Sept: instant 1780.

This will of Robert Boyd was proven by the oath of William Hinckins one of the subscribing witnesses thereunto & before Joseph Qualquier Esq: Notary Publick, ordered to be certified & recorded Test: Joseph Atherton Esq:

Samuel Potts Will

In the name of God amen I Samuel Potts of Nantucket County Marston being in perfect mind & memory (thanks be to God) do make & ordain this my last will & testament.

Imprimis I recommend my soul to Almighty God & my body to be buried at the discretion of my executors hereafter named as to my securable Estate I give & bequeath these & disposing of in manner & form following.

Item I give unto my son Thomas Potts one hundred pounds Carolina Currant.

Item I give unto my son Richard Potts one hundred pounds Carolina Currant & one hundred pounds Bacon.

Item I give unto my son William Potts four Shillings Carolina Currant & all my Apothecary Shop & Drugs with all my Phisical Books & my clock.

Item I give unto my daughter Mary Elick one hundred pounds Carolina Currant.

Item I give bequeath unto my daughter Nancy Potts three negro boys, Sipper & his wife to him & his heirs forever by my Way Horse purchased of Elisha Williams, to be sold & the money to be put out to interest upon business & ten pounds Virginia money now lying in the loan office Williamsburgh to a new side saddle bridles to the value of eight pounds haire money & two good Brans & furniture.

Item I give unto my grand daughter Peggy Hedges one hundred pounds Carolina Currant.

Item I give unto my grand daughter Elizabeth Blunt one hundred pounds Carolina Currant.

Item I leave the negro boy Elick Potts during his widowhood no longer than six years, (vizt) sleek ellings, London & the plantation I lived upon & all my cattle Hogs sheep & there horses & all my servants in the great House & kitchen as it now stands & all other property belonging to the plantation except the still I bought of Bryan Winborow which still Joseph Grant is to have the use of in first

Making over a title in fee simple for a certain tract of  
Land to Thomas Pate my Executor in Northampton County  
to him this his, forever containing one hundred eighty  
five acres more or less which said land was given by Bryan Hill &  
Elizary Boose in the twenty fourth day of may Anno Dom  
one thousand seven hundred & fifty seven & when Thomas Pate  
out of my Estate has purchased a new Barn & Stell & all rights to  
Joseph Grant as his or other than the Title he has in Lieu of it  
is to be returned to Thomas Pate in good order & sound, & I  
do give & bequeath the said title I purchased of Bryan Hill  
to our only daughter Nancy Pate to her & her heirs forever.  
Item I give unto my wife old Justice, the said heirs forever also her  
and husband Carolina Money.

Item I give also is after all my debts are paid at the death of my  
wife except the land & plantation I bought of Thomas Bonn  
& James Morgan in case fail to the heirs at law, all the remain-  
der of my Estate which may be sold at publick vendue &  
equally divided between them alike amongst my five chil-  
dren Thos Pate, Richard Pate, Ann Pate, Mary Elliott  
Nancy Pate & their descendants to take place that before of  
any of my legatees should commence a suit at law about  
this will that part of my Estate given to any or either of them  
shall never wholly & entirely lie in the hand of my Executors &  
Emilia Thomas Pate & Nancy Pate so then sole right & pro-  
perty forever. And I hereby constitute & ordain my son Thos  
Pate of North County Virginia Doctor of Physick & my  
daughter Nancy Pate of Northampton County N Carolina  
to be Executrix & Receivatrix of this my last will & testament  
also hereby utterly & callow disannul all contrary  
or former testament & its legacies or Bequests Reciting  
& Confirming this & no other to be my will & testament  
set my hand here this fourth day of August anno Dom 1780  
Signed sealed pronounced Samuel Pate & seal  
Delivered in presence of us  
Bryan Hinkins, Sarah Williams  
mark

Northampton County, 4<sup>t</sup> Decr<sup>t</sup> Anno Dom 1780  
This will of Sam'l Pate was proved by the oath of Sarah  
Williams one of the subscribing witnesses thereto that Pate  
be qualified as testator, ordered to be certified & recorded  
Test Jephthah Esterton Esq

Jephthah Esterton Esq

In the name of God Amen seventh day of September 1780 I Jephthah Esterton of Northampton County being in sound health disposing  
memory (thanks be to God) knowing that it is appointed for  
all men once to die & to make & renew this my last will &  
testament first of all I recommend my soul to God that  
gave it & my body to the earth to be buried in a Christian  
burial at the discretion of my Executors here after named  
I am leaving of my worldly Estate which has pleased God  
to bless me with in this life I give & dispose in the follow-  
ing manner & form.

Item I leave the use of my plantation to my loving wife Alice Esterton & all the Land the same side the Great Branch un-  
til she marries & then I give & bequeath the plantation & the  
lands I have left to my wife according to the bouness unto  
my son Henry Esterton to him this his also my son &  
widow my old Jan forever.

Item I give & bequeath unto my wife one Head of furniture also I  
give to my wife my Gray Horse also to my wife my saddle  
and bridle also I give to my wife all my stock of Cattle  
Sheep & Hogs.

Item I give unto my son Henry Esterton all my land lying on the  
north side of the Great Branch bounded as follows beginning  
at the mouth of the great Branch to the line thence the  
line to Monborn junction line thence to John Esterton's line  
to Hunting Quarter Swamp then down the said swamp  
to the first Station to him this his, also I give to my  
son Henry Esterton one sloop & vessel & gear for his  
use I give & bequeath unto my daughter Sarah Esterton one bed  
& furniture