

Arthur Hollimon's Will.

In the name of God Amen I Arthur Hollimon of the County of Southampton and State of North Carolina am in a feeble State of health at present and of sound mind and memory thanks be to god therefor and calling to mind that it is appointed for all men once to die do make constitute and confirm this my last Will & Testament in manner and form following I will that I give my Soul to Almighty God that gave it and my body to the Earth to be buried in a Christian like manner at the discretion of my Executors hereafter mentioned and as to my worldly goods that it hath pleased Almighty God to entrust me with I give and dispose of in the following manner to wit

Item I bequeath unto my beloved wife Elizabeth Hollimon all my Land lying on the upper side of the Spring branch during her life or widowhood I also bequeath my beloved wife all my House where we now live and the ground we have enclosed round the House for the purpose of a garden & I also bequeath my beloved wife all my Household stuff of all kinds & Kitchen furniture to her during her widowhood or life I also bequeath my beloved wife Elizabeth these Negroes known by the names of Charles Jerry & Hanna during her widowhood or life I also bequeath my wife one half of my Stock of all kinds during her widowhood or life I give unto my beloved wife thirty barrels of corn to begin with.

Item I give unto my Son Eben Hollimon all my Lands lying on the lower side of the Spring branch to him and his heirs forever I also give unto my Son Eben Hollimon all my Lands lying on the upper side of the Spring branch at the expiration of the widowhood or life of my wife Elizabeth to him and his heirs forever I also give unto my Son Eben Hollimon four Negroes by the names of Lewis Jerry Sarah & Henry together with all their future increase to him and his heirs forever.

Item I give unto my Grand Son Jesse Dole one Negro boy by the name of Leman to him and his heirs forever.

Item I give unto my Grand Daughter Elizabeth Dole one Negro Girl by the name of Patience to her and her heirs forever.

Item I give unto my Grand son Benjamin Dole one Negro Girl by the name of Leman at the expiration of the widowhood or life of my wife Elizabeth with all her future increase to him & his heirs forever.

Item I give unto my Son Eben Hollimon two Negroes by the names of Charles & Jerry at the expiration of the widowhood or life of my wife Elizabeth with all their future increase to him and his heirs forever.

Item I give unto my Son Eben Hollimon one half of my Stock of all kinds to him and his heirs forever I also give unto my Son Eben all the Stock that my wife Elizabeth may have at the expiration of her widowhood or life to him and his heirs forever.

Item My desire is at the expiration of the widowhood or life of my beloved wife Elizabeth that all the Household stuff and Kitchen furniture be equally divided between my Son in law Arthur Dole and my Grand Children Sally Miller, Melly Allen and Eben Dole to them and their heirs forever I nominate and appoint my Son Eben Hollimon and my Son in law Arthur Dole my whole and sole Executors of this my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and Seal this 29th day of September 1794.

James Sealed, published and
declared to be his last Will &
Testament in presence of

Arthur ^{his} Hollimon & Seal
mark

Henry Smith

William Cobb

Jesse Sayer

Southampton County

Declarer Court 1796

This Will was proved by the Oath

of William Cobb one of the subscribing Witnesses whereupon Eben Hollimon was qualified as Executor thereof Ordered to be Certified & Recorded

Witness
E. Haynes Clk.