

176 / In the name of God Amen The Twenty third day of August in
the year of our Lord God 1753 I Richard Reynolds of St Helena in
in Granville County planter being very Sick in body but of perfect mind
and Memory Thanks be given unto God therefore calling unto mind the
Mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once
to die, do make and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament that is to
say principally and first of all I Give and recommend my Soul unto the
Hands of God that gave it me and for my body I recommend it to the
Earth to be buried in a Christian like and decent Manner at the discre-
tion of my Executors, not doubting but at the general Resurrection I shall
receive the same again by the mighty power of God and as touching such
Worldly Estate wherewith it pleased God to Bless me in this Life I Give
Osmise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form
Following Viz. I Give and Bequeath to Mary my Dearly
beloved wife this tract of Land whercon I now Live together with all
my household Goods and Move ables Cattles Horses Hogs and Eight
Negroes (as) after their names Jacob, Luck, Syphuea, Tillis, Hannock
and her three children during her natural Life and After my said
wifes decease I will that all and every of the Land and the aforesaid
said negroes should go to my Son William Reynolds to him and his
Own proper use Except the Cattle Horses and hogs which I desire
that they may be Equally divided According to the discretions of my
Executors Between my said Son William Reynolds and my Daughter
Sarah Stevens as their own proper use to them and their Heirs for
Ever, Item I Give to my well beloved Daughter Sarah Stevens as
much Cleared Land that is not Within fence as she shall have
Occasion for during her natural Life And also the liberty of Cutting
as much fine Timber as she shall make use of for the aforesaid
Land and also one horse named Dragon which neither the Horse nor
the Land was Excepted in foregoing Paragraph, the Horse to her use for
Ever Item I Give to my well beloved Grand Son John Stevens one
Negro woman named Hagar after his Mothers decease her and her
Offspring hereafter to him and his Heirs forever Item I Give to my
Grand Son George Stevens one Negro Boy named Jmd after his Mothers
decease to him and his Heirs for Ever, Item I Give to my Well Beloved
Grand Daughter Elizabeth Stevens one Negro Girl named Rose after her
Mothers decease Item I Give to my well beloved Grand Daughter Catha-
rene Stevens one Negro Boy named Goliath after her Mothers decease
Item I Give to my well beloved Grand Daughter Ann Thompson one Negro
Girl named Jane or two hundred pound Currency to be paid and
levied out of my Estate when she arrives to the age of twenty or six months
after, Item I Give to my well beloved Son William Reynolds all and singular
the rest of my Negroes and Lands that is not before mentioned to him
and his heirs for Ever, Item I do hereby constitute make and Ordain my
beloved Son William Reynolds and John Tripp my sole Executors of

7 This my Last Will and Testaments And I do hereby utterley Disavow
revoke and disanull all and every other former Testaments Wills and
Bequests be me in any ways before this Time named Willed and bequeathed
Notifying and conforming this and no other to be my Last Will and Testaments
In my Witness whereof I have unto set my hand & Seal the day and Year
above Written Signed Sealed published pronounced and declared by the
said Richard Reynolds as his Last Will and Testament in the presence
of us the subscribers viz
William Bafford, Samuel Stevens
Charles Capers—^{My} Richard Reynolds (Seal)
Charles
This will was approved before the Ordinary the 16th Day
of February Anno Domini 1759 at the same time & place
Richard William Reynolds.

In the Name of God Amen I Abraham Jordan being Sick of Body
but of sound understanding & memory do make of my Last will and Testaments
as follows first I give my soul to God who gave it me & my body to be buried in a
Christian & decent Manner according to discretion of my Doctors here after mentioned
And as for such worldly goods as it hath pleased God to bless me with in this world
I will and bequeath as followeth First I leave unto my Eldest daughter Mary
Sterling with the negro Wench she hath already got And all the debts
her husband owes me, Item I give & bequeath unto my Daughter Jean mego
Pillay & as much Money as will buy a little negro Wench with the boy she
has already got And all the debts her husband owes me, Item I give and
bequeath unto my Daughter Margaret £250 of this Currency and no more
Item I give & bequeath unto my Daughter Elisabeth one Negro Wench to the
negro wench she has already got, Item I give & bequeath unto my Grand
son Abraham Bellemee one Negro Boy named Inday Those above named
shall never come to any other Division than what is already done
I now will that After all my Debts and Funeral Charges are paid that the
Remainder of my Estate both real & personal be disposed of in the following
manner First I leave unto my only son Joseph all my Lands and to his
Lawfull Heirs proceeding from his body and none Else Except the use of
my dwelling House to my wife Mary during her life with as much Land
as her Negroes here after named shall be able to work, and no other such
House as are necessary And as to my negroes I will that my son Joseph
shall have half of all those that belong to me Except those above named &
the remaindering half shall be Equally divided betwixt my Son Joseph
Mary Jordan and my Daughter Sarah each having an Equal part And
as for my horses Cattle Sheep & Hogs I will that my son Joseph have the
half of them & the remaindering half to be Equally divided betwixt my
wife Mary & my two daughters Margaret & Sarah each of them having
an Equal part And I will that these negroes & horses be divided accord-
ing to quantity and Quality, If my wife shall see proper to marry
I will that she Dispose none of my Estate Either Real or Personal
Except a negro Wench Horse & Saddle and who ever of my Children
Dies without leaving Lawfull heirs whatever Estate they have from
me shall return to the surviving heirs of the Rest of my Children I will