

In the name of God Amen, I Josiah Gayle of Claremont County in the State aforesaid, being in a low State of health but of sound mind and memory but recollecting the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die, do Make and ordain this to be my last Will and Testament, I recommend my soul to Almighty God that gave it and my body to be buried in a Christian like decent manner at the discretion of my Executors; and with respect to what worldly Goods it hath pleased God to blefs me with After the payment of all my just debts I give and dispose of it in the manner and form following.-

Imprimis I give and bequeath unto my son in law John Harvin, and my daughter-in law Rebecca ^{Gayle} Harvin five shillings sterling each to be paid to them by my Executors out of my Estate within twelve months after my death. -

Secondly; I give unto my three grand children, my son Josiah's - Children, Sarah Rembert, and Richard and Josiah Gayle five Shillings Sterling each, and to my Grandson John Harvin son of my daughter Mary five Shillings Sterling to be paid as above -----

Thirdly I give and bequeath to my grand son William Gayle son of my daughter Ann one Negro girl named Feby , with all future issue to him and his heirs and assigns forever -

Fourthly I give unto my daughter-in law Levinah Gayle five Shillings Sterling, to be paid as above, I also give Levinah's son Samuel five Shillings Sterling to be paid in the same manner --

Fifthly I lend unto my daughter Ann Berwick one negro girl named Lydia during the natural life of my said daughter, and at her death the said Negro girl Lydia is to be returned to my Estate with all her issue, and equally divided amongst my heirs in the same manner as the remainder of my Estate is divided below, I give unto her my said daughter two feather beds and furniture -

Sixthly I give and bequeath unto my two Grand children John and Sarah Gayle, son and daughter of my son Ambrose one Seventh part of my Estate, after taking out what is disposed of above, which

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said two said Grand Children John and Mary and in Case one of them should die Before he or she comes of age or Marries the part of the Deceased is to go to the surviving one, but in case they both die before they come of age and leave no lawful issue then their parts is to return to my Estate and to be divided amongst my heirs equally -

Seventhly and lastly I lend all and singular the remainder of my Estate not disposed of above equally between my six Children, namely Christopher, Caleb, and Ransom, Dorothy, Elizabeth and Ann during their natural lives to be equally divided amongst them and at their death I give and bequeath all the said property of my said Estate, unto the Children of those Children of Mine which will be my Grand Children, that is to say at the death of my son Christopher I give the share of my Estate which I lent to him unto his Children their heirs and assigns forever, and so in like manner I do to all the others -

And I do hereby nominate and appoint, my son Christopher and my friend Huberd Rees my true and lawful Executors to this My last Will and Testament, made this 17th day of December 1794

Signed, Sealed &c. in presence of

Peter Williams

Mary Williams

Richard Hampton

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