

WILL OF

ROBERT W. MORRIS

I n the name of God amen I Robert W. Morris being
Low in flesh but blest with Sound mind Good Memory Knowing
the certainty of Death and uncertainty of life- Do make this
my last Will and testament in manner and form Following viz.
first I commit^{my} spirit to God who give it and My body to
the dust to be buried in the most plain and Decent manner
and after my Decease that all my Just Depts and funeral
Expenses be paid With all possible speed and the balance of
my Estate shall be divided in manner and form following I
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man Known by the Name of abram and one Girl Known by the
name of- Scharlotte together with all my house hold and
Kitchen Furniture During his natural life at his death it
is my-Will that it shall all return and be equally divided
between My four surviving children share and share a like
I also will to my son Robert James Morris one negro by
known by the name of cosom I also will to my Son Matthew
Stephen Morris one negro Girl Known by the name of Rachel-
I also will to my son William Windom Morris on negro boy
Known by the name of Henry I also will to my -Daughter Mary
Jane Morris one negro Girl Known by the name of lydia and
I also will to my son Matthew Stephen morris one sorrel mare
Known by the name of nell it is also- my will that my son Robert
James shall pay over to my son William Windom two hundred
dollars Good and lawful- money as the difference between the
value of the boy cosom & the boy Henry it is also my will that
my son Matthew Stephen shall pay over to my Daughter Mary Jane
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the age of twenty one years or should Happen to marry and then,
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Last will and testament it is my wish and desire that the property above named shall be kept in the hand of my beloved wife Mary Morris, tell my daughter Mary Jane is twenty one years of age if her natural life should last so long or the said Mary Jane should happen to marry and hereby make null and void all other wills or deeds or instruments of writing leaving this my last will and desire and I hereby nominate and appoint my trusty friend Matthew Stephen Morris my Executor to same and I hereby set my hand and fix my seal this the seventeenth day of October in year of our - Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty five and of the independence the seventieth - Signed Sealed and Delivered -----his

on the presents of

ROBERT W. MORRIS
mark

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Matthew L. Martin

Vance B. Green

William Barrineau

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