

Thomas Rodgers Will

In the Name of God Amen

On the tenth day of April in the year 18 am. I am Thomas

eight hundred I Thomas Rodgers of the County of Washington and State of Virginia being to mind the mortality of my body and that it is appointed unto all men once to die and being sick & weak in body but in perfect soundness of mind and memory do make last will and testament thus my last will and testament this is to say I do give and give of all I own of & resign my soul unto God who gave it and I command my body to be buried in Christian like & decent manner at the discretion of my executor without doubting that that at the last day I shall appear before him again by the mighty power of God and as he shall best be pleased to do so he has pleased God to help me. I do devise and dispose of in the manner & form following (To wit) I follow all my lawful debts to be paid I do give & bequeath to my beloved Son Samuel my house that I now live in with my mansion house and barn with the other out houses being the same he had to inherit to the first crop year between the 1st house & Andrew Rodgers have the same house in 2nd I do give and bequeath to my beloved son William the first crop year to the second year towards the 1st Andrew Rodgers I do give & bequeath to my beloved son Andrew the land from the land in 2nd crop year to the first crop year between the 1st house & Andrew Rodgers have the same the last to inherit from the 1st house to the 2nd in the best manner for the advantage to the different lots I do further allow the three boys that the land is left to to pay forty pounds each of them to be paid to the executor and I direct to divide the same among those that have not received a house and a saddle I do allow twenty five pounds to be taken out of Andrew's forty pounds that he was to pay in place of the same that stood in possession of the whole then different being above mentioned to be paid in cash or trade equal to it & the balance of any to be paid equal to all the heirs I do further allow the wagon to the 1st house and the price of it to be divided amongst the heirs with such the executor has it would be more for the advantage of the heirs for it not to be sold. The ferrying should be equally divided between William & Samuel and between the 1st & 2nd to the 1st and disposed of the price as above mentioned of the wagon whomever the title of drawers to be sold & equally divided among the three girls except they agree for one of them to keep them and pay the other two their part I do allow my bed & bed clothes to my son Samuel and the rest of the bed & clothes to be equally divided among the three girls and between the whole household furniture not above mentioned to be equally divided among the girls I do appoint my two sons Moses & Lewis Rodgers to my executors to this my last will & testament to which I set my hand & seal At the morning that is mentioned from the three boys of the land if it is not enough to make them equal I allow to take out of the price of the title & wagon to make them equal and if too much to make them equal & no more

Thomas Rodgers (Seal)

Sam Rodgers

Thomas Rodgers The foregoing will was proven in court by the oath of Thomas Rodgers one of the subscribing witnesses thereto at August before 1800 & ordered to be recorded. James Rodgers and Moses Rodgers qualified as executors to the foregoing will

James Martin Will

is all persons Meeting.

I James Martin of Washington County in the State of Virginia being weakly of body but of sound and disposing mind and memory for which I am thankful to almighty God and having in mind the mortality of the life. Do make and put in writing this my last will and testament in manner and form following. I wish my wife and children to have all my just debts to be paid and funeral charges to be fully satisfied. I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Elizabeth all my clear personal estate that is down and out to be at her disposal to enable her to raise the children and for her support during her natural life. I also give to my 2nd wife during her lifetime the use of the plantation I now live on for her support and to raise the children. I provide she shall remain my widow but if she shall choose to marry again then and in that case she is to have the use of the plantation until the youngest of my children shall come to lawful age or get married. Then the plantation is to be divided between my 2nd wife. On this part and the other two thirds to each of my children. She and share alike but the share hereafter to my 2nd wife at her death to be divided between my 2nd wife. She and share alike and my 2nd children share in having charge upon before the death of my 2nd wife, then and in that case, such part to have the dividend this house have full to the parents. But an inconvenience may arise from the smallness of my 2nd plantation and that improvement may be made in the quantity of land and that my 2nd wife may choose to have the 2nd plantation sold, and if my 2nd wife shall at any future time choose to have the 2nd plantation sold, my executor to this my last will, is hereby empowered to make the best sale of it he can and with the money arising from the sale to buy land for the use of my wife and children as before directed. I do nominate and appoint Samuel Denton of Washington County aforesaid to be the Executor of this my present Testament and last Will hereby revoking and disannulling all former wills or wills heretofore by me made and I do publish this to be my last will and testament and none other. In witness whereof I have signed this my hand and seal this sixth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and One. James Martin & published in the presence of

James Martin (Seal)

Joseph Britton

3rd foregoing will was proven in court by the oath of Joseph Britton one of the subscribing witnesses at February before 1801. Samuel Denton qualified as Executor of the same.