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Will 19 pg. 31 JOHN VEALE 10 October 1754 November Court 1760  
to son RICHARD VEALE 300 acres at Ahatsky and 256 acres where my son  
WILLIAM did live and all the hogs belonging to the land at Ahatsky son  
WILLIAM my manow plantation whereon I now live with land there unto  
belonging and 40 acres joining WILLIAM RUFFIN, hogs etc. my negroes  
and their increase, my stock of horses, cattle and sheep to be divided between  
my two sons my still, handmill, whipsaw and cross cut saw to be for both  
their use to my loving wife MILBRY VEALE the use of my plantation with  
stock of all kinds and residue of my estate for her natural  
life granddaughter MARY LIVINGSTON bed, furniture etc.  
Extrs.: my friends JOHN DAWSON, WILLIAM BRIDGERS  
Wits.: WILLIAM RUFFIN, DEMSEY HUNTER, DAVID RICE

Will 20 pg. 33 THOMAS GREEN 23 October 1759 November Court 1760  
to my loving daughters MARY POWELL and ANN GAY and my loving son  
THOMAS GREEN 5 shillings each loving son JOHN GREEN the plantation  
whereon I now live with all the lands thereunto belonging, my still cap and  
worm and all the remainder and residue of my Estate within doors and without  
Doors  
Extr.: my well beloved son JOHN GREEN  
Wits.: WILLIAM SEAGRAVES, HENRY WHEELER, --- PARKS X his mark

Will 21 pg. 34 JONAS SHERARD 10 July 1760 November Court 1760  
to son JAMES SHERARD my plantation and track of Land whereon I now  
live to sons JOHN SHERARD and JONAS SHERARD a survey of land now  
entered lend rest of my estate to my well beloved wife MARTHA SHERARD  
to raise her small children (names not given) upon During her life or  
Widowhood and then it is to be divided between all my Children  
Extrs.: JAMES LASSITER SR., JOSEPH LASSITER  
Wits.: SAMUEL THOMAS, JACOB LASSITER, JOSEPH LASSITER

Will 22 pg. 36 JOHN EDWARDS 30 August 1760 November Court 1760  
loving brother JOSIAH EDWARDS all my lands which, by will of my Father  
(name not given), was left to me to my loving brother THOMAS EDWARDS  
my negro girl Hannah, my sd. brother THOMAS to pay the Doctor's  
Charges also to brother THOMAS corn growing on my own plantation and a  
small bay horse and he is to pay SIMON HUSSY two pounds proclamation  
money of N. C. sister ELIZABETH HUSSY cow, calf etc. cousin  
ELIZABETH PHILLIPS one heifer with crop in left Ear unto my loving  
mother (name not given) remainder of my hogs except one sow which is to go to  
WILLIAM EDWARD'S son JOHN EDWARDS  
Extr.: brother THOMAS  
Wits.: JOHN GUTH--, SIGMON SUMERELL

Will 23 pg. 37 JOHN BAILEY "in the year of Our Lord 1760 February  
Court 1761  
daughters ELIZABETH and MARY and sons JOHN and CHARLES one shilling  
sterling each and my Extrs. shall bind them out at their own discretion lend  
wife CATHARINE all my Lands during her life or widowhood daughter  
SARAH 128 acres on the south side of Jimmy's (?) Run son HENRY 100  
acres more or less on the north side of Jimmy's Run being my manor plantation  
should wife die before sd. SARAH and HENRY arrive at age sd. land shall go to  
the power and possession of my Extrs. until children are of age  
Extrs.: friends WILLIAM ALLEN, THOMAS OAKS  
Wits.: WILLIAM ALLEN, THOMAS HICKS, BENJAMIN MOSS

Will 24 pg. 38 JACOB LASSITER 12 September 1760 February Court 1761  
to son WILLIAM LASSITER and my loving wife PLEASANT LASSITER my

## WILL BOOK ONE, 1759 — 1792

Will 127 pg. 192 JOSEPH SIKES 29 May 1770 March Court 1771  
to my son JAMES SIKES land and plantation I bought of BRITAIN DAWSON,  
negroes, cattle, sheep etc. and a saddle and bridle I bought of ATHERTON and  
the Gun I bought of SAMUEL EDWARDS when sd JAMES is 21 to my son  
THOMAS SIKES plantation bought of SAMUEL DAVIS, plantation bought of  
JOHN GAY, negroes, cattle now in possession of JOHN INGRAM etc.  
and saddle JOSEPH PENDER is to make when sd. THOMAS is 21 to son  
WILLIAM SIKES plantation whereon I now live, land bought of ROBERT  
WILLIAMS and land joining SAMUEL EDWARDS, DELOACH, THOMAS  
SIKES, the Creek and the Little swamp but leaving my mother (name not  
given) liberty of a house to my wife MILLISON SIKES the use of plantation  
bought of ROBERT WILLIAMS for her life or widowhood to daughter  
MILLISON HARRIS negro bought of WILLIAM WEBB, one saddle etc. to  
my daughters MOURNING SIKES, ELIZABETH SIKES and MARY SIKES 1  
negro each to wife use of 2 negroes until son WILLIAM is 21 land bought  
of JAMES CUNNINGHAM, JACOB SEGRAVES and WILLIAM SEGRAVES  
JR. and the goods in the store to be sold to pay my Debts and money left over to  
go to all my sons and daughters residue of estate to go to my wife to raise my  
children

Extrs.: MILLISON SIKES, WILLIAM SIKES and JOHN --- (?)

Wits.: HEZEKIAH HOUGH, JOSEPH JOHNSON X his mark, SAMUEL  
EDWARDS X his mark

Will 128 pg. 195 GEORGE RAGLAND 13 March 1771 June Court 1771  
to my daughter MARY MALONE 2 negroes, 10 pounds Va. money etc. to son  
WILLIAM RAGLAND 2 negroes which I bought of JONAS CRUMP, bed and  
furniture etc. sons STEPHEN and THOMAS RAGLAND negroes each  
land and other estate to be sold at discretion of my Extrs. and money to go  
to my 3 sons WILLIAM, STEPHEN and THOMAS RAGLAND after just debts  
are paid

Extrs.: my Brother WILLIAM RAGLAND and JOHN NIEL (?)

Wits.: JOHN RICHARDS, THOMAS BARRETT, THOMAS SHORT

Will 129 pg. 196 JOHN TURNER 7 December 1770 June Court 1771  
daughter NANCY SHEFFIELD 5 shillings to wife MARY TURNER during  
her natural life the use of my Land and Plantation with all the rest of my estate  
and then I give and bequeath the same to my daughter LUESIA TURNER (?)

Extr.: Daughter LUESIA and WILLIAM MABRY

Wits.: WILLIAM MABRY, JOSEPH POWELL X his mark

Will 130 pg. 197 ISREAL CAMPBELL 13 April 1771 June Court 1771  
to my son WILLIAM CAMPBELL a tract of Land, joining reedy pocosin, the  
boiling springs and Cuttawisky swamp to son JAMES CAMPBELL  
plantation whereon I now live, joining reedy pocosin and the boiling  
springs to my daughter EURADICE CAMPBELL land at the boiling  
springs to daughter MIRIAM CAMPBELL 1 negro wench and 1 negro  
boy to grandson JACOB DAUGHTRA 5 shillings residue of estate within  
or without doors to go to my four children

Extrs.: my 2 sons WILLIAM AND JAMES CAMPBELL

Wits.: THOMAS BAGGET x his mark, SIMON WEST X his mark, JOHN  
WADE

Will 131 pg. 199 WILLIAM SKINNER 19 August 1771 September Court  
1771

to SUSANNAH SKINNER  $\frac{1}{2}$  the plantation (excepting half the orchard) and  
likewise  $\frac{1}{2}$  the place called The Indian Branch Land in Hertford Co. for her  
widowhood and lend her the use of 3 negroes should wife marry, sd. property  
to go to my son RICHARD SKINNER give wife 1 mare, Hogs, Lambs, Ewes,  
bedding, furniture etc. to son KINDRED SKINNER the rest of my estate  
Extr.: my son KINDRED... and at my death my sd. son shall be his own man to

ELIZA GAY 5 shillings each and no more  
Extrs.: JEPH ATHERTON and GEORGE BARKLEY  
Wits.: RHODES BARKLEY, ELIZA BARKLEY X her mark

Will 194 pg. 286 REBECCA WILLIAMS 29 July 1782 probate (not given)  
to my grandson WILLIAM ELIE WILLIAMS sheep, cows etc. grandson  
ANTHONY ELIE WILLIAMS chairs grand daughter POLLY POWELL one  
feather bed daughter LUCY POWELL chest etc. to daughter JANE  
SAVRY (?) one desk etc. to JOHN and WILLIAM STURGON furniture  
etc. to my son NATHAN WILLIAMS' children (names not given) 5 shillings  
each to my son THOMAS WILLIAMS the remainder of my estate  
Extr.: my son THOMAS  
Wits.: SOL. SMITH, JENETT TUCKER

Will 195 pg. 288 THOMAS HORNE 9 September 1775 September Court 1777  
sons JAMES HORNE and WILLIAM HORNE and JOSEPH HORNE 10 shillings  
each daughter TABITHA LANCASTER 3 pounds to my dearly beloved  
wife MARY HORNE the land whereon I now live and part of a tract JAMES  
HORNE lives on for her natural life and then sd. land to be equally divided  
between my sons MOSES HORNE and THOMAS HORNE to my wife also  
my household goods and moveable estate for her natural life and then to be  
divided between my 2 sons and other daughters, namely MOSES, THOMAS,  
SARAH, ELIZABETH and MARY HORNE  
Extrs.: my sons JOSEPH and WILLIAM  
Wits.: JOSEPH HORNE, MOSES HORNE

Will 196 pg. 290 WILLIAM JOHNSON 13 August 1777 September Court  
1777  
to my wife SARAH JOHNSON negroes till her death or marriage and then sd.  
negroes to go to my sons JAMES JOHNSON and JOHN JOHNSON to my son  
ISHAM JOHNSON 1 negro and her increase to my daughter RONI (?)  
CLARK 5 pounds wife SARAH beds, Rugs, blankets, sheets, sows, Piggs  
etc. remainder of estate after debts are paid to go to sons JOHN and  
ISHAM remainder of estate at wife's death or marriage to go to my son  
JAMES and my grandson WILLIAM JOHNSON  
Extr.: my son JOHN  
Wits.: WILLIAM BROWN, JOHN WOODRUFF, RICHARD WOODRUFF

Will 197 pg. 292 JOHN BASS 14 June 1777 September Court 1777  
to my sons JACOB BASS, ISAAC BASS, ABRAHAM BASS and my grandsons  
JOHN BASS, son of ISAAC, and JOB BASS negroes etc. each to my  
grandson COUNCIL BASS, son of JETHRO BASS, 200 acres more or less  
whereon I now live, negroes, my still, cap and worm etc. grandson URIAH  
BASS, son of DRURY, 100 acres whereon sd. DRURY now lives, joining  
DICKHAM (?) and MOSES HALL to sd. URIAH also half my land on Uraha  
swamp, joining COLE DAWES, negroes etc. to my daughter ALSE EARP 1  
negroes etc. to my daughter UNDIN COUNCIL the use of one negro and her  
increase during sd. UNDIN'S life and then sd. negro and increase to go to  
UNDIN'S children (names not given) to my grandson JESSE BRITTLE,  
son of JOHN BRITTLE, land and plantation whereon sd. JOHN BRITTLE now  
lives, containing 200 acres and joining my son JETHRO and CHARLES BRY-  
AN also 50 acres I purchased of JOHN KIRNY to my grand children  
WINNIFRED BRITTLE, JOHN BRITTLE, MARGARET BRITTLE, DRURY  
BRITTLE and my daughter ELIZABETH BRITTLE negroes each residue  
of my estate to be divided amongst my children, namely, JACOB, JOHN,  
ABRAHAM, ISAAC, JETHRO and DRURY BASS and ALSE EARP, UNDIN  
COUNCIL and ELIZABETH BRITTLE  
Extrs.: JOHN KNOX, my son JOHN BASS and RICHARD VEAL  
Wits.: THOMAS KNOX, WILLIAM S---- (?), MOSES HALL, JOHN  
LAWRENCE

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and 2 beds and furniture rest of my negroes shall be divided between my children: POLLY, BOWEN, THOMAS, NORMAN and REBECCA BRANCH when they come of age or marry unto my beloved daughter ELIZABETH BRANCH negroes and 10 pounds Va. money unto my beloved son BURWELL BRANCH 4 negroes, cattle, cows etc. to sons BOWEN, THOMAS and NORMAN land on the west side of Little swamp  
Extrs.: BENJAMIN BRANCH, FRANCIS BRANCH and BURWELL BRANCH  
Wits.: JOHN WEBB, HARDY PACE  
Codicil: (undated) should sd. BURWELL die without Lawful Issue (his property) to return to ELIZABETH BRANCH  
Wits.: JOHN WEBB, HARDY PACE, SOLOMON HAYS + his mark

Will 290 pg. 408 SAMUEL BASS SR. 13 August 1789 December Court 1790  
lend wife SARAH BASS use of plantation and negroes, beds, furniture etc. until my children grows up and lend her also use of my stock during her widowhood to son HERROD BASS my land and plantation after wife's decease or marriage to sd. HERROD and my daughters ANN BASS and SUSANNAH SNIPIES 1 negro each to son MATTHEW BASS cow and calf stock remaining at wife's death or marriage to be sold and money equally divided between All my Children: SAMUEL, BURWELL BASS, LUCY PEEBLES, PHEBBA JORDAN, SUSANNAH SNIPIES, MATTHEW, HERROD and ANN BASS  
Extrs.: my wife and my son SAMUEL BASS  
Wits.: HENRY PEEBLES, OLIVE FAIRFAX X her mark, JESSE BARREN

Will 291 pg. 409 JACOB BOON 13 October 1778 December Court 1790  
to son JESSE BOON my manor plantation whereon I now live, all my tools and 1 chest unto my daughters (names not given) bed and furniture each to my wife LUCY BOON remainder of my Estate for her life or widowhood and then to be equally divided between all my Children  
Extrs.: my wife LUCY and my sons BENJAMIN and JACOB  
Wits.: WILLIAM LOVE (?), JESSE BOON, LUCY BOON + her mark

Will 292 pg. 411 CHARLES THOMPSON 23 November 1787 December Court 1790  
lend loving wife JOANNA THOMPSON land and plantation whereon I now live with the land I bought of JORDAN WARREN, also 2 negroes for her natural life to son NICHOLSON THOMPSON land at wife's decease to daughters CLARASA THOMPSON and PAMALA THOMPSON 1 negro each to sons ETHELDRED THOMPSON and WASHINGTON THOMPSON 50 pounds Va. money to be raised out of my estate to each of my children a bed and furniture a peace 1 negro and rest of my estate to be sold at wife's death and money arising to be equally divided between all my Children: ETHELDRED, HUDSON, WASHINGTON, NICHOLSON, CLARASA and PAMALA  
Extrs.: sons ETHELDRED and HUDSON and my wife JOANNA  
Wits.: RICHARD POWELL, FRANCIS PARKER

Will 293 pg. 412 FRANCIS PINNIS will date: (not given) December Court 1790  
to my daughter REBECCA JOYNER land and negroes to SARAH HARRIS, daughter of ELIZABETH HARRIS, 15 pounds Va. money when she is 14  
Extrs.: (not given)  
Wits.: (not given)  
Probate indicates will proved on oath of JESSE JOYNER

Will 294 pg. 413 WILLIAM THRIFT 12 July 1790 December Court 1790  
to my father NATHANIEL THRIFT the following lands: 100 acres on Canoe Creek joining the late JOHN BELL, my Mill with 1 acres joining it to my wife the remainder of my land and all my personal estate to Educate and

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support my Children (names not given), sd. land and estate to be divided among my children at wife's death

Extrs.: my wife JENNET THRIFT, my sd. father and ANTHONY TUCKER  
Wits.: ALLEN JONES, BENJAMIN JOHNSTON, LETTY TUCKER

Will 295 pg. 414 JOSEPH EXUM 17 September 1789 December Court 1790  
lend unto my loving wife (name not given) land and plantation whereon I now live during her widowhood she committing no waste, lend her also 2 negroes, cow and calf, all my Sheep etc. at wife's death property lent her to be divided between my 3 Children: HENRY, MATTHEW and ELIZABETH EXUM other negroes to be hired out until oldest son is 21 or marries my Extrs. to rent out my mill to sons HENRY and MATTHEW my Mill and all my land at age 21 or marriage

Extrs.: JAMES EXUM and EXUM PHILLIPS

Wits.: JAMES DANCY, JOHN HAY (?), ANN EXUM X her mark

Will 296 pg. 416 JOSEPH WOOD 18 September 1790 March Court 1791  
lend wife NELLY WOOD my plantation and lands containing 275 acres on Cuttywhisky swamp, which branch runs through my 2 corn fields, joining the road, GUSTIN WOOD'S corn field, Hosky marsh, SHADRACK POWELL, MR. HARRIS, GODWIN COTTON (?), and CULLEN and LAWRENCE WOOD for my sd. wife's life and then to my 2 daughters NELLY and REBECCA WOOD as long as they live a single life if my sd. daughters marry, I lend sd. plantation to my son HENRY AUGUSTIN WOOD for his life and at his death I give sd. land and plantation to my son PEYTON WOOD to PEYTON my land in Granville Co. with all the negroes he had belonging to me to daughter SARAH BALLARD negroes and 100 pounds Va. money which MR. BALLARD owes me to grand daughters NANCY and ELLEN BALLARD and grandsons JOSEPH, ELISHA and ROBERT BALLARD the sd. negroes at death of sd. SARAH to son HENRY AUGUSTIN WOOD 4 negroes, saddle etc. and 275 acres on Cuttawhiskey, joining MILES POWELL, MR. BRUCE, THOMAS RUTLAND and HENRY and WILLIAM COTTON to daughters NELLY and REBECCA negroes each to my wife and daughter REBECCA residue of estate anyone disputing my will, shall forfeit his or her share

Extrs.: my wife and ELISHA BALLARD

Wits.: JAMES MOORE, J. RAWLINGS, J. R. PETERSON, S. GRAHAM, JAMES WOOD, BEN CLIFTON, JONAS WOOD

Will 297 pg. 420 JACOB POWELL 8 April 1780 March Court 1791  
to my daughters MARY, SARAH, BATHSHEBA, PRICILLA, FIRIBA and ELIZABETH POWELL 1 cow each to my son ELIAS POWELL 1 cow and my plantation whereon I now live and all the land I possess to my wife FIRIBA POWELL all the rest of my estate consisting of household goods, stock, negroes etc.

Extr.: my sd. wife

Wits.: JOHN WADE, ELISHA ROBINSON, JACOB PIERCE

Will 298 pg. 421 JAMES PARKS 19 October 1788 March Court 1791  
to my son JAMES PARKS plantation where he formerly lived, with all the land thereunto belonging and 5 shillings to my son PETER PARKS land at the head of Grassy Gut, bed and furniture etc. to son ANDREW PARKS manor plantation and land thereunto belonging at decease of my wife SARAH PARKS, bed and furniture etc. and remainder of my stock of Cattle, Hogs, Sheep and horses daughters ANN DAVIS and SARAH GAY 10 shillings each daughters REBECCA PARKS, AGNES PARKS bed and furniture each daughter ALSEY PARKS cow and calf lend wife remainder part of my estate for her life, and then to sons ANDREW and PETER

Extr.: son ANDREW

Wits.: WILLIAM PARKS + his mark, THOMAS SIKES, SOLOMON

## WILL BOOK TWO, 1792 — 1808

my wife for her natural life to son JOHN cows etc. residue of my estate to go to my wife during her natural life and at her death to be divided between all my Children except my Daughter PINNENER (WESTBROOK ?) and the heirs of my Daughter LABRA (last name not given) decd.  
Extrs.: TIMOTHY MORGAN and NATHAN GARNER  
Wits.: JOSEPH SMITH, JESSE SMITH

Will 361 pg. 37 ALLSO COLLIER 15 May 1793 December Court 1793  
lend wife SUSANNAH COLLIER my Land and plantation until her death or marriage to my daughter NANCY COLLIER one bed and furniture lend wife negroes and residue of my estate until her death or marriage or until my son JONATHAN COLLIER comes of age at my wife's death or marriage or when son comes of age if my wife is not married my estate to be sold except my land and money equally divided between my wife and my six children NANCY COLLIER, GREEN COLLIER, JAMES COLLIER, SARAH COLLIER, JANE COLLIER and JONATHAN COLLIER or their heirs at wife's death or marriage my land to be sold and money to go to my three Sons: GREEN COLLIER, JAMES COLLIER and JONATHAN COLLIER  
Extrs.: JOSHUA COLLIER, WILLIAM HORTON, WILLIAM BREWER  
Wits.: WILLIAM COLLIER, DRURY COLLIER X his mark

Will 362 pg. 38 WILLIAM RICKS 4 November 1790 December Court 1793  
to my daughters SARAH FUTRAL, MARTHA FUTRAL, ELIZABETH MOORE and SUSANNAH COLESON, my sons WILLIAM RICKS and DEMPSEY RICKS, my grandson JASON RICKS and my Grand daughter MARYAN FUTRAL 5 shillings each to my grandson JORDAN RICKS 50 acres more or less, joining MABREY'S old field and MANDEW'S road to my son DAVID RICKS 3 negroes, desk etc. and 173 acres of land which I bought of JOSEPH POWELL to my son EDWIN RICKS 2 negroes etc. and 150 acres of land, joining ABRAHAM NELSON and my old line and 90 acres formerly called MARMADUKE MOORE'S to my two sons DAVID and EDWIN my whip saw and cross cut saw should my two youngest sons DAVID or EDWIN die without heirs their Legacy (the Land excepted) to be divided between my 2 grandsons JASON RICKS and SILAS FUTRAL to my grandson JASON RICKS bed and furniture plantation whereon I now live to be sold and money to go to sons DAVID and EDWIN to grandson JASON two years schooling to be paid out of sale of land and rest of the money to be equally divided among my three daughters SARAH FUTRAL, MARTHA FUTRAL and SUSANNAH COLESON  
Extrs.: my two Sons-in-Law DAVID FUTRAL and THOMAS FUTRAL  
Wits.: ETHELDRED FUTRAL, EPHRIAM FUTRAL X his mark, ELLOT FUTRAL

Will 363 pg. 40 WINBORNE JENKINS SR. 4 September 1793 December Court 1793  
lend my beloved wife EMMA JENKINS the Land and plantation whereon I now live with 272 acres known by the name of the Rudy Pond, also the labour of 5 negroes, my stock of every kind and my crop during widowhood and after her marriage the above property to be disposed of as follows: to my son WINBORNE JENKINS the land and plantation whereon he now lives being 103 acres on Potticasay Creek, also one negro and her increase, one Still and my Cyder Cask unto my son BENJAMIN JENKINS the Land and plantation whereon I now live being 100 acres on Potticasay Creek, joining DEMPSEY FUTRAL and the Orphans of JOHN DICKINSON, and to him also, four negroes and their increase etc. and the 272 acres known as the Rudy Pond to my Grand Son CHARLES ODAM 5 shillings specie to my Grandson WINBORNE ODAM one negro girl and her increase after death or marriage of his Grandmother to my Grand son DAVID PARKER 100 acres of Land known as the Gander Leg to my daughter MARY STEPHENSON 1 negro to my daughter CHARITY PARKER I lend the labour of one negro