

law granted unto William Knotts and Aquila Athia who being sworn gave Bond with Joseph Farrow their surety in the sum of one thousand pounds lawful money of the State of Delaware as by the Bond filed may at large appear ~

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*Sarah Moore dec'd* } Be it Remembred that on the Eighth day  
of January Anno Domini one thousand seven  
hundred and ninety eight Letters of Admini-  
-stration on the Estate of Sarah Moore dec'd  
were in due form of law granted unto George Blow  
who being sworn gave Bond with William Secars  
and Samuel Moor his sureties in the sum of five  
hundred pounds lawful money of the State of Delaware as by the  
Bond filed may at large appear ~

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In the Name of God Amen

I William Burrough of Mispillion Hundred Kent County & State  
of Delaware Farmer being weak & low in in body but of perfect &  
disposing mind memory & understanding & calling to mind the certain-  
ty of death & the uncertainty of life & willing to dispose of the worldly  
goods with which it hath pleased God to bless me, do make ordain con-  
-stitute & appoint this to be my last will & testament ~

Firstly, after giving my body decent & christian burial & paying all  
my just debts that my estate shall be divided in manner & form fol-  
-lowing vizt ~

First, Two pieces or Tracts of land in Kent County one bought  
of Joshua Dewees & the other bought of Nathan Bowman shall  
be equally divided between my two eldest sons namely Boaz &  
Benjamin & that all my land in Sussex County shall be equal-  
ly divided between my three youngest sons namely Jonathan,  
John & William & that my Executors out of my personal estate shall  
purchase of the Heirs my mothers thirds of the land in Sussex to  
be a part of the land last mentioned reserving to my widow her third  
part of all my lands during her natural life ~ 2<sup>ndly</sup>. My will  
& desire is that all my sons as soon as they are old enough shall be  
bound out as apprentices to some good mechanical trade and mas-  
ters appointed at the discretion of my Executors herein after named,  
3<sup>dly</sup> That all the remainder & residue of my Estate be equally divi-  
-ded between my children before mentioned, reserving to my wife her  
third part ~

L. H. S.

4<sup>thly</sup> ~~My~~ will & desire is that my Executors at the reasonable request of the Administrator of Jacob Mason dec<sup>d</sup> shall appear & make a Deed to the heirs of the said Jacob Mason for 30 acres of land & rip-  
ple now lying in their pond & below it, the said Jacob Mason adm<sup>r</sup>  
first paying the caution money & other charges accruing in making  
a title for the same.

5<sup>thly</sup> & lastly I Nominate, constitute & appoint my wife & my bro-  
ther Benjamin to be my whole & sole Executors of this my last will  
& testament, & to carry the foregoing premises fully into effect; As Wit-  
ness my hand & seal this seventeenth day of december in the year  
of our Lord one thousand seven hundred & Ninety seven.

Signed Sealed delivered

published pronounced & declared

William Burrows 

in presence of us —

William Clark

William Adams

Morgan Williams

{ State of Delaware, Kent County ss.  
Personally appeared William Clark  
& William Adams the subscribing wit-  
nesses to the within instrument of writing, who being respectively sworn

do say that they and each of them did see William Burrows dec<sup>d</sup> sign  
and seal this instrument of writing, and also heard him publish pro-  
nounce and declare the same as and for his testament and last will;

That at the time of his so doing and saying he was to the best of their judg-  
ment of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding —

also that they and each of them did subscribe their names as witness-  
es to the same in the presence and at the request of the Testator and  
in the presence of one another —

{ John Laws Register,

Be it Remembered that on the Ninth day of January Anno  
Dom<sup>i</sup> one thousand seven hundred and ninety eight the last will  
and testament of William Burrows dec<sup>d</sup> was in due form of law  
proved by the oaths of William Clark and William Adams two  
of the subscribing witnesses to the same before me John Laws Regis-  
ter for the probate of wills and granting letters of Administration for  
Kent County in the State of Delaware, and the same being by me approved  
Letters testamentary at the same time were granted unto Rachel & Benjamin Burrows  
Execut<sup>rs</sup> therein named who being sworn gave Bond with William Clark & William Adams their  
sureties in the sum of Fifteen hundred pounds lawful money &c as B<sup>d</sup> filed &c.