

In the Name of God Amen I William Polk of Sussex County in the Delaware State being sick and weak in body but of sound mind and Memory and understanding, considering the certainty of death and the uncertainty of the time thereof, and being desirous to settle my worldly affairs, and thereby be the better prepared to leave this World when it shall please God to call me hence Do therefore make and Publish this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say, I Unequally and First I commit my Soul into the hands of the mighty God, and my body to the Earth to be decently interred at the discretion of my Executor hereinafter named and after my debts and funeral Charges are paid I devise and bequeath as follows.

Item I give unto my beloved Wife all my right, title, interest, property, claim and demand of all the Lands, Goods and Chattels that were of the property of Edward Vaughan deceased that now is at Deep Creek Furnace, and all my Goods and Chattels excepting four Negroes to wit Maf. Sed. Bass and Levin that now is at the afo Furnace and my desire is that my Wife shall have full power and Authority to settle the Estate of Edward Vaughan deceased and the benefit of all the receipts that I have of any debts that I have paid to the discharge of the debts of the said Edward Vaughan, and my desire is that my Executor that hereafter may be mentioned shall not have any right to claim or to bring any part of the Estate of the afo Edward Vaughan into my Estate, and I also give my said Wife One Mare called Blaze, and my top Carriage and one Mare called Spider and one horse called Spark, and one Chest of drawers and one high Green Bedstead, and its bed and furniture standing in the Chamber and a trunk and two Chests and one looking glass, and one Down that comes from the Furnace, and six new chairs and all the pictures in my Parlor, and my desire is that my said Wife shall have my dwelling Plantation excepting the Large Peach Orchard during her Widowhood and no longer, with a reasonable sufficiency of timber and firewood as will support the Plantation, and she shall not be intitled to clear any of my Woodland, nor to commit any Wastage of timber or Wood more than what may be necessary for the support of the aforesaid Plantation and that she shall not be permitted to plant or tend any of my Meadow grounds, but to keep them for Grass Ground, also my desire is that my said Wife shall not have any right to dispose of any of my Goods and Chattels that she may be intitled to out of my Estate to any Person whatsoever excepting the Children she has had by me.

Item I give and bequeath to my Son Trusten Daws Polk the Large Peach Orchard that is before excepted and my Old Plantation called Gams, and an out-field called the Diamand field and after my Wifes term of time to my dwelling Plantation I give the same to my Son Trusten D. Polk, together with all the Land that I hold to the Westernmost side of a division line made by Daniel Polk across my Lands in manner and form following, viz Begins at the end of two hundred and fifty eight Perches distance one a division Line between Daniel Polk and myself and at a marked White Oak thence Runs South fifty nine degrees East One hundred and forty four paces to a Pine Sapling, then South twenty one degrees East One hundred and twenty five Perches to a marked White Oak, then South twenty One degrees East One hundred and twenty one Perches to a corner of Morgan Williams Land, and across the Tract called Polks defence, so much to him his Heirs and Assigns for ever.

Item I give and bequeath to my Son William Polk, a plantation called Calloway, with all the Land

98 joining the plantation that is not before given to my Son Truiston lying on the Easternmost side of the afo division that is particular described, My Will is that line shall stand for a division between Truiston and William, and the Brick that is on the said Land that belongs to William I give to him, and a Negroy that he calls her to him and his Heirs and Assigns for ever. But if my Son William should die without heir or Heirs lawfully begotten of his body then all the Land that I have give to him shall descend to my said Truiston & Polk and his Heirs and Assigns for Ever. // // // //

Item I give and bequeath all my Lands lying in Carolina County to my Son Robert Polk and my Son Alexander Polk to be equally divided between them agreeable to Quality as well as Quantity to them their Heirs and Assigns for ever, and it is my Will and desire that if my Son Robert should die without Heirs lawfully begotten of his body that his part shall descend to my Son Alexander and his Heirs and Assigns for ever. And likewise if my Son Alexander should die without heirs lawfully begotten of his body that his part shall descend to my Son Robert and his Heirs and Assigns for ever. // // //

Item I give and bequeath to my Son Clement Polk all my right and title or claim that I have or might hereafter have of in and unto certain Lands and Tenements that did belong to Clement Polk deceased and also all my Right & title, claim and demand whatsoever of in and unto certain Lands and Tenements that was Isaac and Levin Browns, to him his Heirs and Assigns for ever; and if my Son Clement should die without heirs lawfully begotten of his body that then his Land should descend to my Son William Polk and his Heirs and Assigns for ever. // // //

Item I give and bequeath to my daughter Esther Hooper One Negro Woman called Neezy, and one good Bed and furniture in full for her part of my Estate. // // //

Item I give to my Daughter Sarah Nuttall One good bed and furniture in full for her part of my Estate. // // //

Item I give to my Son in Law Nathaniel Rufum One Negro boy called Draper. // // //

Lastly My Will and desire is that all the rest of my Estate shall be equally divided between my Son William Anna Nancy, Peter Polly and Clement, Robert and Alexander and Kitty, and if my youngest daughter Kitty should die a Minor then its my Will that her part shall descend and fall to my three youngest Children Viz. Peter, Polly and Clement, them their Heirs and Assigns for ever. // // //

And Lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my Son Truiston Laws Polk to be my whole and sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament, revoking and annulling all former Wills by me heretofore made, ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my Last Will and Testament. In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seal this twenty seventh day of December One thousand Seven hundred and Eighty seven.

Sealed, Published and delivered by William Polk the above named Testator as his Last Will and Testament in the presence of us who at his request and in his presence

William Polk

subscribed our Names as Witnesses thereto Thomas Laws, William Bonneys, Soxley Riccards

County of
Memorandum the 17th day of October 1788 before me Phillips Kellocke Register appointed

for the Probate of Wills and granting Letters of Administration for the County afo^r appeared Thomas Laws and
Ricards two of the Witnesses to the within Will, who being duly sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God
did severally depose and say that in their sight / Presence and hearing the Testator William Polk did sign, Seal,
Publish and declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament, and that at the doing thereof he was of a sound
and perfect mind memory and Judgment, and that they and each of them together with William Brownes subscribed
the same as Witnesses in Presence of the Testator and at his request. Phillips Kollocke Reg^r

In the Name of God. Amen the sixteenth day of November in the year of our Lord One thousand seven
hundred and Eighty and Eight I Sarah Dickerson Widow of Samuel Dickerson deceased of the County of Sussex, being in
a low state of health, but of sound and disposing mind and memory thanks be given unto almighty God for the same
Do make and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament that is to say in manner and form following. //

Impr^t It is my Will and desire that after my decease my body should be buried in a Christian like manner and that my
funeral Charges and all my just debts should be first paid and discharged by my Executor hereafter named and
mentioned. //

Item I give and bequeath unto my well beloved Brother Daniel Roach the one half of a certain Tract of Land whereon I now
live to be laid off on the South and West End of the said Land, adjoining Lands of the Heirs of James Hall dec^d Lands
of the Heirs of Sam. Coulter dec^d and Lands of Robinson Savage so far as will include the Houseing, Orchards and
the Appurtenances thereon, and from thence with a straight line across the said Land untill it intersects the division
Line of John Burton and myself, and from thence with the several lines unto the said James Halls Land to him and his
Heirs and Assigns for ever. //

Item I give and bequeath unto Mary Roach my Riding Mare and Saddle to her and her Heirs and Assigns for ever.

Item I give and bequeath unto Pufe Roach one young Mare named Rach, to her and her Heirs and Assigns for ever. //

Item I give and bequeath unto Sarah Roach Daughter of Daniel twenty five head of Hogs, to her and her Heirs and Assigns for ever.

Item I give and bequeath unto Leah Roach One horse named Jack, to her and her Heirs and Assigns for ever. //

Item I give and bequeath unto Edmond Dickerson One Coat and Vest formerly my deceased husbands, to him and his Heirs and Assigns for ever.

Item I give and bequeath unto John Roach Son of Daniel two Negroes named Prince and Isaac, to him and his Heirs and Assigns for ever.

Item I give and bequeath unto Peter Dickerson Son of Edmond one half of a copper Still, Worm tub, to him and his Heirs and Assigns for ever.

Item I give and bequeath unto Pufe Roach one Case of Drawers to her and her Heirs and Assigns for ever. //

Item I give and bequeath unto my well beloved Brother Daniel Roach, all the remainder part of my Moveable Estate and
Real Estate as is not given in Legacies to him and his Heirs and Assigns for ever. //

Item It is my Will and I do hereby Constitute and appoint and nominate my trusty Friend and Brother Daniel Roach
and Sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament and ratifying this and no other to be my Last Will. In Testimony
whereof I have hereunto interchangeably set my hand and Seal, the day and year first above Written.
Signed Sealed / Published and pronounced by the said
Sarah Dickerson to be her Last Will and Testament in presence of } Sarah ^{her} Dickerson
John M^r Dean. Jath Wiley. Levin D. Newton } made