

In the name of God. Amen. The third day
 of March in the year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and
 eighty one I William Poynter Yeoman of the County of the said
 Delaware being Sick and weak of body but of sound disposing
 Mind Memory and Judgment Thanks be to Almighty God for the
 same, and calling to mind the Mortality of my Body and knowing
 that it is appointed for all Men once to die, Do make and Ordain
 Give my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following
 In presence of it is my Will and I do desire that all my Just Debts and
 Funeral Charges be first paid and fully Satisfied.

Item I give and bequeath unto my beloved Wife Ruth Poynter the
 use of my Negro man named York during her Widowhood, but if
 my said Wife should marry or die I give and bequeath the said Negro
 Man unto the Child she is now big with.

Also I give to my said wife one feather Bed, & furniture one Cow
 and calf, one Old white Horse, three head of Sheep & five head of Hogs
 also the use and benefit of One third part of the Plantation whereon I
 now dwell during her Widowhood but if she marries the said One third
 part of the Land afo. to be Rented for the use and benefit of the Child
 she now goes with untill my Son William arrives to the Age of Twenty
 one years.

Item I give devise and bequeath unto my two Sons William Poynter
 and John Poynter all the Tract of Land and Plantation whereon
 I now dwell containing Two hundred and eighty eight Acres together
 with all the appurtenances thereunto belonging to be equally
 divided between them, their Heirs and Assigns for ever
 (only reserving the one third part thereof for the use as above directed)

Item I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Ester Poynter one Negro Boy
 named Will, one feather bed and furniture one Cow big with calf, five head
 of Sheep Six head of Hogs to her her heirs and Assigns for ever.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Eunice Poynter one Negro
 Girl named Nance one feather and furniture one Cow big with calf
 Three head of Sheep & six head of Hogs to her her Heirs & Assigns for ever.

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Item I give and bequeath unto my Son William Poynter one Feather Bed and furniture, one Cow and calf one gray Horse Bridle & Saddle but if my Son Sever should return I will and Order that he shall have the said Horse Bridle & Saddle also I give unto my Son William one Desk to him his heirs and assigns for ever

Item I give and bequeath unto my Son John Poynter one ^{1/2} acre of land named Job one Feather Bed and Furniture one Cow and calf, four head of Sheep and six head of Hogs, to him his heirs and assigns for ever

Item I give devise and bequeath to my two Sons Nathaniel Poynter and Levin Poynter the Tract of Land my said Son Nathaniel now lives on together with a dyacent Tract of Land that I bought of Margarete Fisher to be equally divided in Quantity so that Nathaniel Poynter shall have the improved part where he now dwells, and my Son Levin the part I bought of said Marg^t Fisher to them their heirs and assigns for ever, but if my said Son Levin should not return to enjoy his part or Dividend of the afo^r Land, then I will and Order that the part Willed to him shall be equally divided between my two Sons William Poynter and John Poynter to them their heirs and assigns for ever

Item I give and bequeath unto my Grand Daughter Sarah Henshaw Daught^r of Sophia Coal one two years Old Heffer to her her heirs and assigns for ever

Item I give and bequeath unto my Grand Daughter Sophiah Coal one two years Old Heffer to her her heirs and assigns for ever

I will further Will and Order that all the rest and Residue of my Estate not before bequeathed be equally divided among my wife and several Children, Namely Nathaniel, Easter, Remy, Levin, William, John Poynter, and the infant my wife now is big with if live born, but if not live born no notice to be taken of it, in this Dividend to them their heirs and assigns for ever

And Lastly I do hereby Authorize constitute and appoint my son Nathaniel Poynter my wheel and Seal Executor of this my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal the day and year first above written

In Witness Signed Published William^W Poynter

and pronounced in the presence

of us W^m Hazard

Nathliff Poynter

Shadrack Sturgis

Memorandum on the Twenty first day of April 1781 Personally appeared before me the undersigned, Register appointed for the probate of Wills and Granting Letters of Ad-

ministration for the County of Sussex in the Delaware State

two of the Subscribing witnesses

to the above and within Will, and being solemnly sworn on the holy Evangelists of Almighty God, did severally depose and say that in their Sight presence and hearing the Testator William Poynter did sign Seal, Publish Pronounce and declare the foregoing Instrument of Writing to be his Last Will and Testament and that at the doing thereof the said Testator was of a sound and perfect mind memory and Judgment, to the best of their knowledge and belief, and that they and each of them together with Subscribed their Names as Evidence at request and in presence of the Testator

Phillips Collock Reg^r

I Isaac Smith of the County of Sussex do make and Ordain this to be my Last Will and Testament, (that is to say)

First It is my Will and desire that all my just Debts be paid and satisfied and for that purpose I order as much Corn as will be sufficient to be first sold

Secondly I give and devise to my wife Mary the use of my Negro man called Jacob & my Negro woman called Rose and their future Increase if any they may have, for and during the Term of her natural Life. And after her death I give and devise the said

Negroes