

Thomas Bryan
Hill

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By R. H. Pease
for Chagnes

In the Name of God Amen

I Thomas Bryan of Northampton County, being in Low State of health but of Sound & disposing Mind and Memory, do make & ordain This my last Will and Testament in manner & form following. First I give & recommend my Soul to Almighty God and my Body to the Earth to be Decently interred at the discretion of my Executors - And touching such Worldly Estate as it hath pleased God to bless me with I Will & bequeath in the following Manner -

Item, I do give & bequeath unto Baroluba Council my Two plantations known by the Names of Parkers place and Carys place together with one half of my personal Estate of every kind. I say to her & her Heirs for ever -

Item, I give & bequeath unto Mary Council the Land and plantation whereon I live together with all the remaining part of my personal Estate of every kind. I say to her & her Heirs for ever -

My will & desire is that if either of them should die before they Come of Age or Without Heirs the Estate of the deceased is to return to the other, both Real & personal -

My Will & desire is that the Land lying in the park of Uraba & quarter Swamp known by the Name of Johnston place, be sold in order to discharge my Lawfull debts. Likewise my will & desire is that the Negroes be Continued upon the plantation Under the care of a good Overseer, in order to support the family & keep up the stock & what Remains more

Than a Competant Support is to be sold for the benefit
of the Legacies. Also my desire & earnest Request to my
Executors is that they will have the Children brought
up by some good industrious Woman, who will bring
them up to industry & other qualifications suitable
for Females ---

Lastly I do make & Constitute Solomon Pace &
William Bell Executors of This my last Will
and Testament & that they shall have full
power & Authority to Act as they think fit & most
advantageous for the Legacies. in respect to advising
with Lawyars or hiring men, qualified to Act on any
occasion that may occur hereafter. -- In Witness
Whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal this
Twentysecond day of November. in the year of our
Lord one thousand seven hundred & Ninety Three
Signed Sealed Acknowledged
and Delivered in presence }
of us --- } Tho: Bryan



Henry Dawson ---

Samuel Parker --- Just Ed. qualified
Cornelius Moore