

**BRUNSWICK COUNTY,
VIRGINIA**

WILL BOOKS

Volume 1

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471-(116) Will of John(x)Randall 17 Nov 1752 28 Aug 1753

To my wife Frances - the use of all my personal estate during her life & widowhood, as also the use of my manor plantation during her life or widowhood.

To my son Josias - 1 shilling sterling.

To my daughter Susanna Ware - 1 shilling sterling.

All my lands are to be divided among my 3 sons John, William & Peter, with my son John having the first choice.

After my wife's death or marriage, my personal estate is to be divided among my 3 sons John, William & Peter & my daughter Frances Randall, & my son John to have first choice.

Ex. my wife Frances Randall, my friend Arthur Harris

Wit. Thomas(x)Booth, Joseph(x)Ships, John(x)Booth

Probate indicates that sd Frances Randall qualifited as excrx with John Maclin & William Randall as securities.

472-(117) Will of Charles Stuart 2 Dec 1752 25 Sep 1753

Of St Andrew Parish.

To my wife Anne - the plantation where I now live with 200 acres during her life or widowhood & then the sd 200 acres & all my lands adjacent to it joining Robert Carlile to go to my son Richard.

To my son William - all the remainder of my tract of land devised to my son Richard.

To my son John - 300 acres at a place called Dinkins's.

To my sd sons Richard & William - 200 acres in Surry Co.

To my son James - all the remainder of my land on the lower part of the Turkey Branch joinng the lands I have already conveyed to my sd son James.

To my sd wife Anne - negro man Dick, woman Jane.

To my daughter Rebecca - negro girl Chloe.

To my daughter Anne - negro girl Lidia.

To my daughter Sarah - £20.

The remainder of my estate real & personal to be sold by my executors & the money used to pay my debts, with the remainder of the above slaves devised to my wife Anne for life or widowhood "I hereby Devise" to my sd sons James, Richard, William & John.

Other legacies.

Ex. my sons James, Richard & William

Wit. Thos Eldridge, John Carter

Probate indicates that James Stuart qualified as executor with Thomas Stagg, Andrew Troughton, Hinchia Mabry Jr & John Irby as securities; "Liberty was reserved to" Richard & Stuart "to join in the probat thereof when they should think fit."

473-(119) Will of Samuel Clarke (undated) 26 Sep 1753

Of St Andrews Parish. "Weak in Body"

To my son Daniel - all my land that is called Cliburns & all that is above the Round Meadow Gut & up the creek to James Judkins's land.

To my son Samuel - 230 acres on the south side of Fountains Creek up to William Cook's land. Probate indicates that the above was presented by James Clarke & proved by John Peebles & John

To my grandson Lester Morris - £150 if there is any money from the mountain land; if not, then £5.

My stock to be divided among my daughter Martha Hubbard, my daughter Mary Rainey, my granddaughter Mary Duggar, & my 3 granddaughters Martha Rainey, Elizabeth Rainey & Charlotte Rainey who are daughters of William Rainey.

Ex. William Rainey, John Williams

Wit. Peter Willis, Jones Williams, John Fowler

Probate indicates that the executors refused to qualify & that Thomas Lundie became administrator with the will annexed.

182-(231) Thomas Bracy of Brunswick Co to Douglas Wilkins & William Robinson church wardens & their successors of the Parish of Meherrin. 22 May 1783. 30 shillings VA. 1 acre where the upper church now stands in Brunswick Co in Meherrin Parish. Wit: John G. Atkins, Sackvill Brancy, Phebe(x)Floyd. Proved 24 Nov 1783.

183-(232) Inventory & appraisal of the estate of Silvanus Shelton as by court order 24 Aug 1783. Appraised 10 Sep 1783 by John Hicks, Thomas Stokes, James Marshall. Returned 24 Nov 1783 by Edward Shelton excr.

184-(234) Account of sales to Sep 1783 of the estate of Sylvanus Shelton dec'd. Buyers:

James Connell	John Longbottom	Susanna Shelton	Freeman Winfield
Hamlin Freeman	Daniel Shelton	Benjamin Soward	
Peter Ivey	Edward Shelton	Richard Stone	

Returned 24 Nov 1783 by Edward Shelton excr.

185-(235) Josiah Randle of Montgomery Co NC to Isham Randle of Brunswick Co. 20 Nov 1783. 100[sic] of VA. 300 acres, joining Jackson, Rockey Run, the mouth of Haw Branch, Warwick, Bennetts Great Branch, Drumgold, Benjamin Britt. Wit: William Warwick, Richard Claiborne, Briggs Goodrich, William Mallory. Proved 24 Nov 1783.

186-(237) John Mitchell & his wife Dianna & Zebulon Lewis & his wife Sandal of Brunsick Co sold 200 acres to William Mitchell 24 May 1779. William Thornton & Bins Jones appointed 25 Sep 1783 as a commission to examine the sd women. Returned to Court 25 Nov 1783.

187-(238) Lewis Hicks & his wife Sarah of Brunswick Co & Meherrin Parish to William Batte Jr of Greenville Co. 22 Dec 1783. £800 VA. 510½ acres which was part of a 960 acre patent to John Hicks 28 Sep 1728, on both sides of Great Creek, joining Thower, Sowell, Seawell, Robert Hix, the low grounds, Steep Branch, Fields. (witnesses omitted) Proved 22 Dec 1783.

188-(239) Will of John Bruce 5 Sep 1778 22 Dec 1783

St Andrews Parish. "a low state of health"

To my mother Margaret Bruce - my whole estate real & personal during her widowhood; at her decease or marriage, I will my whole estate to be divided among my brother James Bruce & my 2 sisters Hannah Rice & Mary Goldsberry.