

WILL OF THOMAS GOOLSBY

WILL BOOK 2 PAGE NO. 307 ALBEMARLE CO. VA. 1766

In the name of God Amen, I THOMAS GOOLSBY OF THE PARRISH OF ST. ANNES AND COUNTY OF ALBEMARLE being sound in body and memory (Blessed be God) do this 6th day of July in the year of our Lord MDCCLXVI make and publish this my last will and Testament in manner following:

Imprirnus ? I commend my Soul into the hands of Almighty God who gave it and my body to the earth to be decently buried at the discretion of my Executor hereafter named.

ITEM - After my just and lawful debts are paid by my Executors I give and bequeath unto my son WILLIAM GOOLSBY, all my mountain land, One Negro named DICK, One Negro wench named JANE and one Negro called LITTLE HANNAH and their increase to him and his heirs lawfully begotton forever. Also one feather bed and furniture and his equal part of stock and one half of the household furniture.

ITEM - I give and bequeath unto my son THOMAS GOOLSBY the land and plantation whereon I now live, to him and his heirs lawfully begotten forever. Likewise four Negroes namely, BRITON, one Negro wench called HANNAH, one Negro wench named JUDE, One Negro girl named SALL and their increase to him and his heirs lawfully begotten forever, also his Equal part of stock and one half of the household furniture, also one feather bed and furniture.

ITEM - All my horse kind to be equally divided between my two sons WILLIAM & THOMAS GOOLSBY above mentioned.

ITEM - I give and bequeath unto my daughter SUSANNAH CHILDRESS, one feather bed and furniture and her equal part of cattle and sheep.

ITEM - To my daughter ANNE NOWLING I give and bequeath one feather bed and furniture, and her equal part of cattle and sheep.

ITEM - To my daughter LUCY SAUNDERS I give and bequeath one feather bed and furniture and her equal part of cattle and sheep.

ITEM - To my daughter ELIZABETH GOOLSBY I give and bequeath one feather bed and furniture and her equal part of cattle and sheep.

ITEM - To LUCY BRYANT I lend during her natural life one Negro girl named MOLL and her increase and after her death of the said LUCY BRYANT, the said Negroe MOLL and her increase to return and go to my son WILLIAM, also her choice of the feather beds and furniture.

WILL OF THOMAS GOOLSBY

PAGE 2

ITEM - My will and pleasure further is that the half of the household furniture given as above to my son THOMAS GOOLSBY is not to become his till after the death of the above said LUCY BRYANT.

ITEM - To the said LUCY BRYANT during her natural life I appoint her maintenance out of the Estate (that is to say) her home at the plantation with my son THOMAS she not distributing or making away with anything of value.

ITEM - My will and pleasure further is that the spinning wheels belong to the said LUCY BRYANT during her natural life and afterwards to my sons WILLIAM AND THOMAS.

LASTLY - I make and ordain SAMUEL SELTON AND JOHN MARTIN, Executors of this my last will and trust for the intents and purpose. In this my last will contained in this sheet of paper and I do hereby revoke all former and other wills heretofore by me made, Either by word or , and my Executors one to take care and see this my last will performed according to my true intent and meaning. In witness whereof I the said THOMAS GOOLSBY have to this my last will and testament set my hand and seal the day and year above written.

Signed, Sealed and Delivered by the said THOMAS GOOLSBY as and for his last Will and Testament in the presence of us who were present at the signing and sealing thereof.

JOHN RAMSAY
BA RAMSAY
JOHN PETER

HIS
THOMAS GOOLSBY
MARK

At ALBEMARLE & George the Third and to Charles Lynch, Robert Cowan and John Taibat
Gentlemen - Greeting know ye that we trusting to your fidelity and provident inspection in diligently examining whatever witness in behalf of THOMAS & WILLIAM GOOLSBY command you that at such certain day and place as you shall appoint, you assemble yourselves and Barbara Richards wife of Thomas Richards, before you or any two of you, you call and cause to come and diligently examine her on the holy Evangelists of Almighty God, concerning the Executing the Last Will and Testament of THOMAS GOOLSBY Decd and her Examination you distinctly and openly certify to our Justices of Albemarle County sending then there this writ witness John Nicholas, of our said Court the 24th day of Oct. in the 14th year of our Reign
Tucker Woodson, C.D.

WILL OF THOMAS GOOLSBY

PAGE 3

The deposition of Barbara Richards wife of Mr. Thomas Richards, of lawful age being taken before us John Talbot and Robert Cowan two of his for this County deposeth and saith that before THOMAS GOOLSBY'S marriage with LUCY BRYANT she saw him the said GOOLSBY, Seal and Sign a will and acknowledge it as his last will and testament which will she this deponant was a witness to, she further saith that she has been since shewed a will of THOMAS GOOLSBY which will she knows to be the same she saw him sign and further this eponant? saith not.

In obedience to an order of Albe County Court we have taken the above deposition, certified under our hands this fifth day of November.

John Talbot
Robt Cowan

At ALBEMARLE March Court 1774
This writing was presented to Court as the Last Will and Testament of THOMAS GOOLSBY DECD. The Court being satified the witness John Ramsay now Decd was a witness thereto by his hand writing and a is awarded to take the Deposition of the Barbara Ramsay wife of Thomas Richards who was a witness thereto and the same being proved by J. Peters, witness, thereto was advised to be recorded.

Teste
John Nicholas C.C.

(NOTE - I HAVE COPY IN FILE-- SOME OF THIS VERY DIFFICULT TO READ.)
WAS TOLD AT THE COURT HOUSE IN ALBERMARLE THAT THIS WAS THE MOST
REQUESTED WILL BESIDE THE ONE OF THOMAS JEFFERSON.