

In the name of God Amen, I HUGH RICE MORRIS of the parish of St Ann's and County of Albemarle being in perfect sense and memory tho very infirm in body health do make this my last will and testament in form following that is to say:

I lend unto my affectionate and well beloved wife MARY MORRIS six hundred acres of land with the plantation whereon I now live with all the household-furniture, stock and block, during her life as widowhood; after her decease I give and bequeath the six hundred acres of land, with all the said stock and moveables to my beloved son JOHN MORRIS, to him and his heirs forever.

Item I - I give and bequeath unto my beloved son JACOB MORRIS two hundred acres of land laying and being in the county of Amherst on Thomas's Mill Creek with a negro boy named David, which he has already received to him and his heirs forever.

Item - I give and bequeath to my beloved son HUGH RICE MORRIS four hundred acres of land in the North Garden, whereon he now lives with two hundred acres upon Totier Creek which I purchased of Thomas Oglyby to him and his heirs forever.

Item - I give and bequeath to my daughter ELIZABETH AUSTIN two hundred acres of land upon Poplar<sup>(Poelar?)</sup>/in Amherst County to her and her heirs forever.

Item - I give and bequeath to my daughter LAURANES ? TAYLOR four hundred acres of land in Amherst County to her and her heirs forever and two hundred acres of land upon Totier.

Item - I give and bequeath unto THOMAS TILMAN (JR. ?) one entry of land containing one hundred and seventy five acres on the branches of Hardware River.

Item - I do constitute and appoint my son JOHN MORRIS with MARY MORRIS executor and executrix of this my last will and testament. In witness whereof I have

hereunto set my hand and seal this SEVENTEENTH OF SEPTEMBER IN THE YEAR

Page 2-2 WILL HUGH RICE MORRIS

OF OUR LORD, ONE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED AND SEVENTY THREE.

HUGH (HIS MARK) MORRIS

Signed, Sealed and Delivered

In the presence of George Taylor, Robert R. Silly, Thomas T. Tilman

Richard Perkins

At Albemarle August Court 1774

This will was presented to Court and proved by the Oath of witness thereto and ordered to be recorded and on the motion of JOHN MORRIS an executor therein named who made oath according to law, certificate was granted him for obtaining and probate in due form on his giving security, whereupon he gave bond with HUGH RICE MORRIS his security and acknowledged it accordingly.

John Nicholas, Clerk