

Will, DE, Sussex, Thomas Goldsmith, 1741

In the name of God Amen.

This 14th day of December Anno Domini 1741 I, **THOMAS GOLDSMITH**, of the county of Sussex on Delaware, yeoman, being sick and weak of body but of perfect mind and memory, thanks be given to God for the same, considering the mortality of man and that it is appointed all men once to die do you make & ordain this my last will and testament.

PRINCIPALLY and first of all I do recommend my soul to God that gave it and my body I recommend to the earth to be decently and Christianly buried at the discretion of my executors, nothing doubting but that at the general resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God and as touching the worldly estate wherewith it has pleased almighty God to bless me I dispose of it as followeth:

IMPRIMIS I order all my debts and funeral expenses to be paid out of my personal estate.

ITEM I give and bequeath unto my beloved sister **COMFORT [GOLDSMITH]** my feather bed and its furniture called her bed, one iron pot, one gray mare, to her and her assigns forever.

ITEM I give and bequeath to my youngest sister **JEMIMA [GOLDSMITH]** the house, Plantation, whereon I now dwell, the land and all its appurtenances and also the land my father purchased from **AARON WILLIAMS**, to be let for her education and bringing up and to be kept in good repair and to take the same into her own hands at the age of 16 years, to her and her heirs and assigns forever.

ITEM I give and bequeath the remainder of my personal estate to be equally divided among my sisters **PATIENCE [GOLDSMITH]**, **COMFORT [GOLDSMITH]**, **MARY [GOLDSMITH]**, **NAOMI [GOLDSMITH]** to them and their heirs forever.

ITEM I do constitute and ordain my trusty and beloved friends **ABRAHAM PARSLEY** and **EMMANUEL MANLOVE**, both of the county, my executors of this my last will and testament here by revoking all former other former wills, legacies and bequest do publish and allow this and no other to be my last will and testament ratifying and confirming this to be my last will and testament.

As witness my hand and seal the day and year first above written.

ITEM I do desire my loving friend **EMMANUEL MANLOVE** shall take care and have the bringing up of my sister **JEMIMA**.

THOMAS GOLDSMITH {seal}

Signed Sealed published pronounced and declared by the said **THOMAS GOLDSMITH** as his last will and testament in the presence of us

WILLIAM BURROUGHS
PATIENCE WILLIAMS {her mark|}
RALPH BRASSNIT

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Sussex

Memorandum

This fifth day December 1742 the above named **RALPH BRASSNIT** and **WILLIAM BURROUGHS** two of the witnesses to the within will subscribing appeared before me **JACOB KOLLOCK** Deputy Registrar appointed for the probate of wills and granting letters of administration for the county of Sussex, aforesaid, and on their solemn oath did declare that in their sight, presence, and hearing the testator, **THOMAS GOLDSMITH**, did sign, seal, publish, pronounce and declare the within written to be his last will and testament and that at the doing there in the said testator was of a sound and perfect disposing mind, memory and judgment and also that they saw **PATIENTS WILLIAMS** sign with them as an evidence to the same.

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JACOB KOLLOCK

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