

Will, VA, Southampton, ARTHUR WHITEHEAD 1744

In the name of almighty God, Amen.

I, **ARTHUR WHITEHEAD**, being in perfect health and memory thanks be to God for the same do consider the uncertainty of this life think proper and necessary for to settle my worldly Affairs in some small measure or form and as for what little worldly estate the Lord in his mercy hath been pleased to endue me with, my intention and meaning is to leave it as follow with viz:

ITEM I give and demise unto my eldest son **ARTHUR WHITEHEAD** the plantation where on he now lives being on the southwest side of a swamp called the Goblin swamp and from the mill cart path down the said swamp and up the said cart path to **WILLIAM TURNER**'s line down the sideline to the Cypress swamp and down the said to a line of marked trees and so to the head of a branch called the Tarkil branch and the said land I give to the said **ARTHUR WHITEHEAD** and the heirs of his body lawfully begotten forever.

ITEM I give and demise on to the aforesaid **ARTHUR** a negro man named POMPEY to him and his heirs lawfully begotten forever.

ITEM I also give and demise unto my grandson **ARTHUR WHITEHEAD** a negro boy named LUCK to him and his heirs forever.

ITEM I give and demise onto my son **LEWIS WHITEHEAD** the plantation where on I now dwell and the plantation adjacent to the same that I bought of **WILLIAM RIVERS** with 175 acres of land belonging to the same to the said **LEWIS** and his heirs lawfully begotten forever.

ITEM I give and demise on to my son **LEWIS WHITEHEAD** and his heirs lawfully begotten of his body a parcel or diffident of land out in the Pines Woods lying between the mill path and the Long Branch to him and his heirs forever.

ITEM I give and demise to my son **LEWIS WHITEHEAD** and the heirs of his body lawfully be gotten a plantation Meherrin River founded as followeth from the country line up the said River to a deep gut and up the said gut and through the mill swamp to the corner tree and also a parcel of land line on Potecasi Creek in Carolina to him and his heirs forever.

ITEM I give and demise unto the said **LEWIS** one negro man called MINGO and also a negro woman called FILLIS and a negro boy called PETER to him and the heirs of his body lawfully begotten forever after my deceased and his mother's with yearly increase of the said FILLIS.

ITEM I also give and demise unto you said **LEWIS WHITEHEAD** and his heirs all my house goods which is in the low room of my new dwelling house to him and his heirs lawfully begotten forever, and also the still and two guns which he shall think fit to choose.

ITEM I also give demise unto the said **LEWIS WHITEHEAD** and his heirs 20 head of grown cattle and all that shall be at the said Plantation which I have given the said **LEWIS WHITEHEAD** and also my own riding horse with the accouterments belonging to the said horse and also a young mare and all my working tools of every sort.

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ITEM I lend the use of the plantation and land belonging to the same with the mill whereon **NATHAN WHITEHEAD** now dwells and also a parcel of land upon Meherrin River from the deep cut up the said River in "one each" called Hids neck during his natural life and after his decease I will.

ITEM I give and demise the aforesaid plantation and land on to my grandson **BENJAMIN WHITEHEAD** and to the heirs of his body lawfully begotten forever.

I also lend them to my son **NATHAN WHITEHEAD** the use of to negro one called DICK and his wife called ROSE during his natural life and after his decease.

ITEM I give and demise to my grandson **BENJAMIN WHITEHEAD** the aforementioned negro DICK and ROSE with their increase that should be after the said **NATHAN WHITEHEAD** is or shall be in possession of or possesses with the said slaves to the said **BENJAMIN** white head and his heirs lawfully begotten forever.

ITEM I give and demise to my son **NATHAN WHITEHEAD** and the heirs of his body lawfully begotten 200 acres of land lying on the south side of a swamp called **POLLOCK's** between Beaver Dam adjacent and near to my Plantation the said land being in **CARR's** [KERR] line over Fishing Creek the said land to him and his heirs forever.

I also give to my son **NATHAN** one feather bed and furniture besides the bed he had before and also five cows and calves and one gun besides the four and 1 iron pot and half a dozen pewter plates and three dishes and spoons and one breeding Mare and one grindstone and two iron wedges.

ITEM I lend to my daughter **PATIENCE VICK** a parcel or dividend of land being adjacent to the said **JACOB VICK's** Plantation and so running down said swamp to a branch called The Long Branch being about 400 Acres with the use of the said land during her natural life and after her decease.

ITEM I give and demise the aforesaid land to my grandson **JACOB VICK** and to the heirs of his body lawfully begotten forever.

I also give the aforesaid mentioned grandson [JACOB VICK] one negro boy called HARPER and one feather bed and Furniture to him and his heirs forever.

ITEM I give and demise onto my daughter **PATIENCE VICK** five Shillings.

ITEM I give and demise onto my daughter **CATRIN COBB** 5 Shillings and also desire that she nor her heirs may or shall have any more of my estate then what she the aforesaid **CATRIN** hath had before.

ITEM I give and demise to my daughter **MARY WHITEHEAD** and her ears lawfully begotten of her body a plantation with 200 acres of land belonging to the same forever the aforementioned Plantation being on the south side of Fishing Creek on a swamp called the Beaver dam.

ITEM I also give my said daughter **MARY** a negro girl called JANE to her and her heirs with the increase of the said negro forever.

ITEM I also give to my said daughter **MARY** one feather bed and furniture.

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ITEM I give and demise to my daughter **ANN WHITEHEAD** and to the heirs of her body lawfully begotten a plantation on the southwest side of Swift Creek with the dividend of said land there to belonging forever.

ITEM I also give unto my aforesaid daughter **ANN** a negro boy called **TONEY** and also a feather bed and Furniture to her and her heirs lawfully begotten forever.

AND as for what small part of my estate is not already given I constitute, appoint, and desire my loving brother **WILLIAM WHITEHEAD** and Captain **THOMAS JARNELL** and Mr. **JAMES WASHINGTON** to divide what shall appear without doors and within doors equally between my executor and his three sisters **PATIENCE, MARY** and **ANN**.

I do hereby constitute, ordain, appoint my son **LEWIS WHITEHEAD** my full and sole executor of this my last will and testament.

As witness my hand and seal this 12th day of March 1744.

My desire and meaning is that my whole estate may remain as it now is until after my loving wife's decease and that she may have her proper support and maintenance out of the same during her natural life.

ARTHUR WHITEHEAD

Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of us

WILLIAM WHITEHEAD

LAZARUS WHITEHEAD

WILLIAM BORK {his W mark}

At Court held for the county of Southampton on Thursday the 10th day of January 1751 this will was duly presented in court by **LEWIS WHITEHEAD** the executor therein named and proved by the oath of **LAZARUS WHITEHEAD**, a witness thereto, who also deposed that he saw **WILLIAM WHITEHEAD** subscribe his name as a witness thereto, and is ordered to be recorded, and on the motion of set executor, who affirmed to the same according to the law, certificate was granted him for obtaining a probate thereof in due form, giving security.

Test

R. KELLO, Clk