

by me - Walter Franklin - Joseph Stringham. James Bennett. Ann Stringham
City and Province of New York ss }

Be it Remembered that on the twenty second day of
August One thousand Seven hundred and Eighty personally appeared before me Gary Sudlow Surrogate for the City
and Province aforesaid Joseph Stringham of the City of New York Grocer, and James Bennett of the same place -
Braff Founder, His said James Bennett being of the people commonly called Quakers, did in due form of Law
affirm and declare: - and his said Joseph Stringham being duly sworn, on his oath declared, that they are
each of them dead Waller Franklin sign and Seal the before Written Instrument purporting to be the Last
Will of the said Waller Franklin bearing date the Twenty first day of February in the year of our Lord Seven-
teen hundred and Seventy Eight, and he aid him publish and declare the same as and for his Last Will
and Testament; That at the time thereof his said Waller Franklin was of sound disposing mind and
Memory to the best of his knowledge and belief of them the deponent and affiant; and that their
names severally Subscribed to the said Will, are of their respective own proper hand Writing which they
Subscribed thereto in Testator's presence - And that they the deponent and affiant likewise saw Ann
Stringham the other Witness to the said Will subscribe her name as a Witness thereto in the Testator's presence

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Gary Sudlow Sur.

This proceeding is a true copy of the original Will of Waller Franklin deceased, and of the Certificate of the
Proof thereof

Sam Bayard jun'r Socy

I Isaac Richards of Sussex in the State of Delaware being bound on a Cruis on board the
Cutter Sloop Privateer commanded by Parko Esq^r considering the uncertainty of His Transi-
tory life do make and declare these presents to contain my Last Will and Testament: That is to say I
give and bequeath unto my loving Friend Stokely Hofman of the City of Philadelphia Hous Carpenter all the
Price money that may become due me, from the Owners, Agents or Commandor of the said CutterSloop, Privateer
or any other Vessel in the world, and all the rest of my Estates Real and Personal, wherewithal at the time of
my decease I shall be possessed or invested, or which shall belong or of right appertain unto me, I do give
devise and bequeath unto the said Stokely Hofman. And I do hereby nominate and appoint the said Stokely
Hofman to be the Executor of this my Last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all former Wills and Testa-
ments by me made, and do declare this to be my Last. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand
and Seal the twenty second day of November Annoque Domini One thousand Seven hundred and Seventy nine
Signed Sealed and declared to be the Last Will and Testament
of him the said Isaac Richards in the presence of Jn^o Ord
Wm Webb

Isaac Richards 

Proved August 31. 1781

Stokely Hofman Sworn Esq^r Aug 31. 1781

In the name of God Amen the twenty first day of July in the year of our Lord 1781 I Charles Potts
of Sussex County in Delaware Planter being weak but of perfect mind and memory thanks be to God therefore
calling unto mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die I do make this my
Last Will and Testament that is to say principally and first of all I give and recommend my Soul into the hands of
God who gave it, and for my body I command it to the Earth to be buried in a decent manner at the discretion of my
Executors, nothing dreading but at the General Resurrection I shall receive the same, and as touching such worldly Estates
wherewithal it hath pleased God to bless me in this life I give devise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form

Item I give and bequeath unto my Eldest Son Charles Polk my dwelling Plantation the Tract of Land I now have
upon containing four Hundred Acres, called Second Purchase to him and his heirs and Assignees for ever —

Item I give him also my Negro fellow called Sam, and my great Bible and his mother's Chest —

Item I give unto my Son George one tract of Land called Polks Privileges, containing fifty Acres, also I give and bequeath
him another Tract of Land called Privileges Addition containing two hundred and Sixty Acres, Subject Survey to
him and to his heirs and Assignees for ever. I also give him my best Suit of Clothes that is to say Coat, Vest and
Breeches. —

Item I give unto my daughter Mary One of my best herds Kine, another of common Sort, and if I give her one before I
die, then another after I die, also I give her my large Chest and best Chest —

Item I give to my daughter Priscilla two Cows and Calves, or Cows and yearlings, and my Kid duck —

Item I give to my daughter Ann one Cow and Calf or yearling, and a two year old Heifer or Steer and Box Barn — ✓

Item I give all my beds and furniture to my three daughters to be equally divided amongst them —

Item I give and bequeath all the Remainder of my whole Estate to be equall divided amongst my four Children
Mary, Priscilla, Ann and George — And if they do not agree in dividing my Estate amongst
them I appoint my Son Charles and my brother Ephraim to divide it among them equally amongst them

and if any of them loses any of their Legacies I leave them before I die to make it up equal with the rest,

I do hereby utterly disallow all and every other former Testaments Wills by me in any ways before this time

named Willed and bequeathed Rectifying and Confirming this and no other to be my Last Will and Testa-
ment. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal, the day and year above written — I give
my two Negros to my Son Charles and George Old Negro Rose to worke for them and they to take care of

them and my further Will is there shall be no Administration on my Estate, and necessity requires I appoint

my Son Charles my Administrator of my Estate.

Tester John Polk. Tester James Polk. Tester Avery Polk Tester Am Polk Charles Polk

Memorandum this 3. day of September Anno Domini 1784 Before me Phillips Kollock Register appointed for
the Probate of Wills and granting Letters of Administration for the County of Sussex in Delaware Personally ap-
peared James Polk and Avery Polk two of the Witnesses to the within Will, who being duly sworn on the Holy
Evangelists of Almighty God did severally depose and say that in their sight presence and hearing the Testa-
tator Charles Polk did sign Seal Publish and declare the within written to be his Last Will and Testament,
and that at the doing whereof he was to the best of their Apprehensions of sound and perfect mind memory
and Judgment, and that they and each of them together with John Polk and Am Polk Subscribed the same
as Witnesses in presence and at request of the Testator. Phillips Kollock Reg:

In the name of God Amen I Richard Waller of the County of Sussex in the State of Delaware being
very weak and low but of a perfect sound and disposing mind and memory do in order to settle all my worldly affairs
and acquisitions, and prevent all and every dispute that may arise between my Children male and female —
this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following to wit

primis I give and bequeath unto my Son Ponsonor Waller Three hundred Acres of Land being part of a Tract of
Land called Groulet lying in Somerset County being Land on which my said Son lately lived, beginning
at the first bounder of the said Tract and running to a Spanish Oak which was marked for a division by
me between my Son Ponsonor & my Grandson ^{waller} Come Marshall, and from the Spanish Oak a West
line as far as the Land extends to the same three hundred Acres more or less to him his Heirs and
Successors —