

In the name of God Amen. I Peter Bennett of the county of
Bedford & Colony of Virginia, by the abundant mercy of God, am in perfect
health & memory, but considering the mortality of humane life, do constitute
this my last Will & Testament; & desire it to be received by all as such.

Revoking all former Wills heretofore made by me. And in order, to dispose
of my worldly estate to my satisfaction, at my Decease I Give & bequeath it in
manner & form following. V^t I do lend unto my loving Wife, Frances Bennett

(after all my just debts & Charges be paid) during her life in Widowhood,
all & every part of my estate, that is in any wise belonging or appertaining unto
me as an estate or a part of an estate. And at her Decease, my Will

desire is, that all may be sold for the best price that can be got, & the mony

~~shall~~ divided between my Children V^t William Bennett, Mary Lane
Reuben Bennett, Elizabeth Perry, Micajah Bennett, Rachel Bennett,
Abner Bennett, and Richard Bennett as is here directed V^t My will I

desire is that my first two named Sons, W^m & Reuben Bennett do discount There

two pounds ten Shillings each from an equal proportion of the mony arising from
my estate when sold, (because they have already received that sum, each, in the
land they now live on.) and all the other named Children to receive A just &

equal proportion of the money arising from D^d Estate without any discount from
Principle or part. —

Item. If at any time after my decease, my
now living Wife should marry; Then my Will I desire is, That my Estate ma
be sold by the discretion of my Executors. Of the money Divided as aforesaid, allow
ing my Wife a Childs part only. —

Item. If at any time before there be
a Division of my Estate agreeable to this Will; there should be a Decease of
any of the ~~above~~ named Children without being of age or proper Age,
Then my Will I desire is that my Estate may, divided in form aforesaid
between those that be then living.

Turn over

Lastly I do appoint my two sons V. M. Reubin Bennett, whole and
Sole Executors to this my last Will & Testament. Given under my hand
and seal this Seventh day of January 1770, 1771

Signed & sealed in

presence of

David Watt

Wm Ward David Perry

William Goad

At a Court held for Bedford County the 25th day of May 1778
This last Will and Testament of Nath Bennett Deceased was proved
by the Oaths of David Watt and William Goad Witnesses thereto
Subscribed and Ordered to be recorded and on the Motion of
William Bennett and Reuben Bennett The Executors ~~whose~~ ^{names}
who made Oath thereto Certificate is granted them for Obtaining
Probate in due form giving Security whereupon They Together
with John Callaway William Vanderman and William Loftin
their securities entered into and acknowledged their Bond in the
Penalty of Five Thousand Pounds for the said Executors due and
faithfull Administration of the said Decedent's Estate and
Performance of his Will
Teste J. Stephen C.

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In the 20th line downwards, one word put in (in)

Bennetts
Will
Recorded
Examined
Callaway
J. C.

A Copy - Teste:

Virginia H. Stouley, Deputy
for H. P. Scott, Clerk.