Wm Mills
Will

In the name of God Amen I William Mills of the County of Southampton & State of Virginia being sick and weak but of sound mind and memory do think proper to make this writing as mine for my last will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say I give unto my beloved wife Edgecot Mills one hundred dollars in money to be paid to her out of the money proper I have lent unto my beloved wife for and during her natural life and no longer the following property namely the plantation I now live on together with all the lands lying on the north side of the big prop swamp together with the following slaves one man Will one girl Betty one woman Jerusha and one Girl Hannah with her choice of my horses one Stony Waggon and Chains one Cart and wheels & yoke of Oxen their choice two cows and calves two Ewes and lambs of their choice all the hogs that shall be at the place on the branch on the north side of the plantation also one little pot Cap and wooden & Tubs in the my mill house proper and sixty eight Barrels two Feather Beds & furniture of her choice one desk one Bureau and its contents one half dozen Windsor chairs one half dozen Rush bottom chairs three Tables of her choice one looking Glass one brass kettle one Iron Mortar & pestle and Cows of her choice two Dominick cows and Hooks & Mattock Cows of her choice all of which I lend to my wife except the mulberry Cow and I give to her to dispose as she may think best. I also give her thirty Barrels of corn I lend I give and bequeath to my grandson William Mills all my lands and plantation that I have lent to my wife at her death also one negro man Will to him and his heirs forever I lend I give and bequeath unto my Grandson Matthew Mills the land and plantation that he is now living on together with a certain portion of any other lands adjoining it running up a certain Branch to the Indian path as it is called thence in a straight line to strike Thomas Pittman's line on Thomas's Fifty by nine above the house of the long field Jones (deceased) to him and his heirs forever I lend I give and bequeath unto my Grandson Thomas Sayers son of Matthew Sayers all the rest of my land not otherwise disposed of to him and his heirs forever I lend my will and desire that all the rest of my property that is not herein given or lent as soon as convenient after my death be sold by my Executor and the money arising from said sales to be equally divided between all my then living grand children except those three which I have given my land to to them and their heirs forever I give with the property that I have lent to my daughters the land and one negro Will to be sold at her death and the money proceeding to be divided among my grand children except the three Mills aforementioned & Thomas as above stated to them and their heirs forever I lend I give and bequeath unto my daughter Jane Sayers the sum of three hundred Dollars in Cash in lieu of a negro which I intended to give her to make equal with her sister) to her and her heirs forever I lend I give Will and desire that all the property that I have given to my Grand Children (or the amount in money of that part that is to be divided) remain in the hands of my Executor as lawful interest and be paid out to them as they may arrive to lawful age and my desire is that he (my Executor) may have and hold the property given my three grand sons until they come of of full age and then pay them in proportion of their rights and the net proceeds of the same I hereby constitute and appoint my friend Allen Cavanaugh as my whole and sole Executor to this my last will and Testament revoking all other Wills heretofore by me made. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 11th day of August One Thousand eight hundred and twenty seven

Signed sealed and acknowledged
in presence of

Benj Griffin
Harrison S Griffin

William Mills (Seal)

At a Court held for Southampton County 20th day of August 1827 This last will and Testament of William Mills was proved by the oath of Benjamin Griffin and Harrison S Griffin the witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded on the motion of Allen Cavanaugh the Executor therein named he having made oath thereto and together with William Lawrence Benjamin Griffin & Alexander Cavanaugh his sureties entered into and acknowledged a bond in the penalty of Ten Thousand Dollars conditioned according to law. A Certificate is granted him for obtaining a probate of the said Will in due form

Teste James Rochelle CC