

By Interest on the balance of 1838 Two Months

25 By balance due the estate

with Interest thereon from this date till paid

Respectfully Submits
Jas. Cobb Esq

At a Court held for the County of Southampton on the 11th day of March 1839

This account current of Jacob Williams administration vs Elizabeth and Elizabeth Williams etc. was returned and ordered to lie on Term for exceptions. And at a Court held for the said County on the 25th day of May 1839 the said account having lain on Term and no exceptions being filed was confirmed and ordered to be Recorded.

Teste Geo Edwards Clk

Knowing it appointed by the Almighty in his wisdom for man to die and being touched with the Spirit of God though in perfect mind and memory have thought proper to make the following disposition of my property (to wit) First I leave to my wife Elizabeth Branch the trust of the land I purchased of Edwin Morris until my son John N Branch shall arrive to the age of twenty one and then to him and his heirs forever I also leave to my wife the following negroes Sam Harrison Calcutt and Mary until my son John N Branch shall arrive to the age of twenty one and then to be equally divided between my three children namely Virginia Branch Louisa Branch and John N Branch I also give to my Daughter Virginia Branch a negro woman Jane and four children whose names are Flossie Bridget Ben and Lucetta all of whose increase I give to Daughter Virginia and her heirs forever. I also give to my Daughter Louisa a negro woman Sally and three children whose names are Eliza Sam and The younger a boy unnamed and as before all of whose increase I give to my Daughter Louisa and her heirs forever. I also give to my son John N Branch a negro woman Abby and three children whose names are Candis Nelly and Jacob and their increase also to my son John N Branch and his heirs forever. It is furthermore my will and desire that my Executor John H Burt shall sell all the lands not herein named with the proceeds arising from such sale pay all my just debts and the remainder if any to be equally divided among my three children above named here by revoking all former wills and Testaments by me made. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal This 11th day of March 1839

Signed sealed and acknowledged }
in the presence of

John H Burt

Lambert Watkins

Benjamin Lurier

Lewis N Branch

At a Court held for the County of Southampton The 17th day of June 1839

This last will and Testament of Lewis N Branch decd was proved by the oaths of James H Burt Lambert Watkins and Benjamin Lurier the subscribing Witnesses thereto and ordered to be