

Matthew R. Pope
W.D.

In the name of God Amen, I Matthew R. Pope of the County of Southampton living of sound mind and Memory and being deeply impeded with the shortness of life and the certainty of Eternity do make this my last will and Testament in the following manner.

1st My Will is for my tract of Land called by the name of Williamsland containing one hundred and sixty acres more or less to be sold for the purpose and behoof of paying my just debts also one Negro Woman Harriott your boy child Sam to be sold and the sales to go to pay my just debts if any should be owing.

2nd I lend to Catharine Joyner half acre of land including the house where she now lives during her life only.

3rd I give to my wife Dickey Pope one negro boy Ellick and one negro boy Ellick to her & her heirs forever.

4th I lend to my wife Dickey Pope the plantation whereon I now live after the half acre comes out lent before to Catharine Joyner also one Negro Boy William to her during her natural life only then after her death I give the same plantation & same boy to my father Nathan Pope & as except the half acre first lent to Catharine Joyner during her life. after my wife's death and Catharine Joyner's death Nathan Pope is to have the plantation & Boy Wm to him & his heirs forever.

5th I give to my wife Dickey Pope and her heirs all my stock of all kinds horses held and kitchen furniture and every thing that may belong to me not given away before but if any debts should be to pay. She must sell such things as she can then & pay all my debts and then all that may be left I give to my wife Dickey Pope & her heirs forever.

6th I do hereby appoint my wife Dickey Pope my executor to this my last Will & Testament executing all former Wills heretofore made by me. Whence I have hereto set my hand & seal this 21st day of March 1845.

Teste

Richard Darden
J. D. Beckman
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Matthew R. Pope (Seal)

At a Court held for the County of Southampton the 17th day of April 1845
The last Will and Testament of Matthew R. Pope was proved by the oaths of Richard Darden Esqr Beckman & Siles Pope the subscribing witnesses thence and ordered to be Recorded. And on the Motion of Dickey Pope the executrix thence named who and each and together with Richard Darden and Benjamin R. Pope her co-executors entered into and acknowledged a bond in the penalty of four thousand dollars conditioned as the law directs. Certificate is granted her for obtaining a probate of the said Will in due form.

Teste L. R. Edwards

The Estate of Susan Phipps dec'd

In Account with John Drury admr.

1842

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Susan Phipps
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