

Joseph & Elizabeth Smith witnesses of Ann Smiths de<sup>d</sup> was returned and  
proved to be correct

Test J. M. Edwards C<sup>o</sup>

Nathan Pope

Will

In the name of God amen I Nathan Pope of the County of Southampton  
in the state of Virginia being imperfect with the shortness of days and the  
certainty of eternity do Make this My last will and testament To wit  
Item I lend to my wife Nancy Pope during her natural life the the land  
and plantation where I now live and one third part of My personal estate  
and at her death I give the said plantation and the one third part given her  
to My Children Namely Newton Pope Madison Pope Oswald Pope and ~~Fisher~~  
F. Pope Anna S. Pope Isaac S. Pope Beadick Pope and James S. Pope to them  
& their heirs forever

2<sup>d</sup> I give to my daughter Malice Fisher one tract of land on which she now  
live the said land I purchased from Benja Blunt's estate Containing 298 acres  
more or less and one Negro girl Dances to her heirs forever:

3<sup>d</sup> I give to my three youngest Children Namely Isaac Shepherd Pope Beadick  
Pope and James Francis Pope the sum of one hundred dollars each

4<sup>th</sup> My will and wish is for a tract of land to be sold apart of the Fales plantation  
Containing 226 acres more or less and also My interest in the estate of my son Matthew  
R. Pope after there is a final settlement made of My estate the balance due I  
give to my Children Namely Newton Pope Madison Pope Oswald Pope  
Caleb Pope Anna Pope Isaac Shepherd Pope Beadick Pope James Pope

Francis Pope to them & their heirs forever I charge name and appoint my  
son Oswald Pope and my friend Davis Barnett My Exors<sup>r</sup> to this my last  
will & testament In Witness whereof I have set my hand & seal this

31<sup>st</sup> day of May A.D. One thousand eight hundred and forty three  
Witness  
Nathan Pope (Seal)

Davis Barnett

Henry Pope

James J. Darden

At a Court held for the County of Southampton on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of September 1843  
This last will and testament of Nathan Pope de<sup>d</sup> was proved by the oath  
of Henry Pope and James J. Darden two of the subscribing witnesses therein and  
oathed to be correct Oswald Pope one of the executors therein named refusing to  
take upon himself the burden of the execution thereof Ann the widow of  
Davis Barnett the other Executor therein named who made oath and together  
with John H. Stephenson Henry Blow and Thomas B. Hornell his securities  
sworn into and acknowledged a bond in the penalty of four thousand dollars  
conditioned as the law directs Certificate is granted them for obtaining a probate of  
the said will in due form

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