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Teste B R Edwards Esq

IN the Name of God Amen. I Benjamin Brister of the County of Smith amplem and state of Virginia do make this writing as and for my last Will and Testament as follows: I have unto my wife Dranch Brister all my estate both real and personal except the Land that I bought of Wilks Bowing & that part of my Land I give to my son Benjamin Brister at my death for and during her natural life or widowhood should she marry my desire is that she have one third of my estate for life as the Law directs: I give and bequeath unto my son Benjamin Brister that part of my Land and plantation lying on the east side of a water brook that stands in the plantation my wish is that at straight line be made north and south from Wilburn Stephensons line to Blank Buters one fence line and furniture one half of my still pot cap & down one half of my cider cask & apples mill and one share to him and his heirs forever: I give and bequeath unto my son James Brister all that part of my Land & plantation lying on the west side of the water brook above named. one Negro Man Lewis one fence line & furniture one half of my still pot cap & down & one of my apple mill & cider cask to him and his heirs forever:

I give and bequeath unto my son Thomas Brister my Daughter Sally Camp and my Grand Daughter Mary Ann Powell the remainder of my estate not herebefore named to be equally divided between them but should my Grand daughter Mary Ann Powell die before she arrives to the age of twenty one years, or without an heir lawfully begotten of her now body my desire is that that part of my property falling to her be equally divided between my Children above named: I nominate and appoint my son Thomas Brister and my friend Albert Edwards my Executors in this my last Will and Testament, executing all other Wills or Wills by me herebefore made: Given under my Hand and seal this 20th day of December one thousand eight hundred and thirty nine

Witness of
Capeland Turner
John Edwards
Albert Edwards

Benjamin^{his} Brister (read)
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At a Court held for the County of Smith Hampton on the 1st day of November 1849 This last Will and Testament of Benjamin Brister was proved by the oaths of Capeland Turner John Edwards and Albert Edwards the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be Recorded: Albert Edwards one of the Executors named in said Will appeared in Court and affirmed to take upon himself the burden of the Execution thereof: On the Motion of Thomas Brister the other Executor named in said Will who made oath and together with W. D. B. Burgess and Albert Edwards his securities entered into and acknowledged a bond in the penalty of