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 In this my last will and testament making void all former wills made by me
 I do hereby bequeath and assign my estate this 1st day
 of October 1837.
 Signed, sealed and acknowledged
 In presence of
 Joseph Jones
 Drury Riddle
 James Turner
 Richard Porter Seal

At a Court held for the County of Southampton the 21st day of May 1838.
 The last will and testament of Richard Porter dec^d was this day proved by the oaths of
 Joseph Jones one of the subscribing witnesses thereto, and Drury Riddle and James Turner
 the other two subscribing witnesses thereto being dead, Joseph Jones testified that
 Drury Riddle and himself signed the said will at the same time and presence of each
 other and in the presence of the testator, and Benjamin B. Pope, Benjamin B. Waller
 and John H. Whitehead being sworn depone and say that they were well acquainted
 with the handwriting of the said Drury Riddle and that they verily believe that
 the name of the said Drury Riddle signed to the said will as a witness is in
 the proper handwriting of the said Drury Riddle, thereupon the said will
 was ordered to be recorded as the true last will and testament of Richard
 Porter dec^d. And with the motion of Elijah Porter the Executive thereon made,
 who made oath and gave bond and security according to law, to certify in writing
 his fee for obtaining a probate of the said will in due form.

(Seal)

J. W. Edwards, cler.

In the name of God, Amen! I, Thomas Porter of the County of Southampton being of
 sound mind and memory do make this my last will and testament.

Item 1st. My wish is that my Executor pay all of my just debts and do what he
 thinks best with my lightwoods and the hands which will have got hired, I wish that
 he should not send them away unless he sees that it would be to a disadvantage
 to my estate that I have him to do what he thinks best with them.

Item 2nd. I give to Spentley Reynolds wife the bed and Bed furniture which she now
 has in her possession belonging to me to her and her heirs forever.

Item 3rd. I give to old aunt Ellen at the Depot my chest and clothes that
 is at Spentley Reynolds (and I wish my Executor to give her twenty five dollars
 out of my estate as he thinks she needs it).

Item 4th. I wish all of my free property not named above to be sold and put into money
 I allude to my watch, gun, the balance of what I have left at Spentley Reynolds and
 all my other property.

Item 5th. If the hands which I have got hired this year do well and make me
 the amt. I gave for them I wish my Executor to give each one of them five dollars
 at the end of the year.

Item 6th. I wish my Executor to take Mary Porter's son John Robert Porter and send
 him to a good common school two or three years until he thinks he has enough
 enough to transact business and then I would rather he was sent to school a school
 is usually kept at Clark's Mill one or two terms if there is money enough
 to pay for it. I also wish my Executor to pay for his clothes and send out of
 my estate while going to school, and when he arrives to the age of twenty years
 I give all the balance of my estate to him not disposed of since he was sent
 there forever.

Item 7th. If the above named John R. Porter should die before he arrives to the
 age of twenty one years of age then I give the whole of the balance of my estate
 to be equally divided between my brother Jacob Porter's children.
 And I appoint my friend, Jas. J. Dawson my Executor to this my will.