

In the name of God, Amen: I, Isaac H. Davis of the County of Southampton and State of Virginia, considering the uncertainty of human life, and being of sound and disposing mind, do constitute, bearing, last Will and Testament in manner and form following viz:

Item 1st I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Sarah E. Davis all the property of every kind possessed by her previous to our marriage.

Item 2nd It is my wish and desire that at my death or as soon after as practicable, that all my negroes are expected shall be sold in this County at public Auction for cash and that all land shall also be sold in a similar, the payment left disposing with my Executors.

Item 3rd It is my wish and desire, that Twelve Hundred, Dollars arising from the sale of the property sold to me by Thos. P. Gray shall be placed in some Savings Institution for the support of the said Thomas P. Gray during his life.

Item 4th I give and bequeath to daughter Harriet E. Davis Three Hundred Dollars as soon as practicable after my death. And it is my wish that the remainder of my married Est. be placed in a common fund, the annual interest arising therefrom to be appropriated to the education and support of my youngest child, and as follows viz: It is my wish that my sons Adolphus B. and Isaac H. shall be sent to some good school for two years or more if necessary and. It is also my wish that my children Samuel R., Carolina M. and my youngest (not yet named) shall be supported and educated in like manner out of the same fund.

Item 5th I have one servant girl (named Bet.) excepted in Item 1st my beloved wife Sarah E. Davis as a nurse for my youngest child until she my youngest child shall become large enough to go to school, and that I desire her to be sold as the slave and then my placed in the same fund.

Item 6th I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Sarah E. Davis Fifty Dollars annually during her life or widow hood.

Item 7th It is my wish that in case the interest arising from the of said fund shall be insufficient for the support and education of my child and as above named then my Executors shall take so much of the principal as may be necessary.

Item 8th It is my wish and desire that when my youngest child shall have finished her education that all the income belonging to my est. shall be divided as follows viz: I give and bequeath to my son Wellington E. Davis Twenty Five Dollars and the remainder equally divided among all my living children except my daughter Rebecca Jane, and the portion which would fall to her in the equal distribution, I give and bequeath to her children: And in the event that either of my children should die leaving children before the of said fund shall be divided, then I give and bequeath that child's portion to his or her children as the case may be.

Item 9th I nominate and appoint my friend Thos. M. Newcom Executor of this my last Will and Testament.

In Witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 3rd day of October 1857.

Test.

Isaac H. Davis

Robt H. Mason

Henry Lawrence

At a Court held in the County of Southampton, the 16th day of November, 1857.
This last Will and Testament of Isaac H. Davis last was proved by the oath of Robt H. Mason and Henry Gray and the subscribing witnesses thereto and was thereupon ordered to be recorded.
Test. L. Q. Edwards, C. C.