

Doing the executors therein named who made oath and entered into and acknowledged a bond in the penalty of fifty thousand Dollars, conditioned according to law (but without security the will directing that none should be required of them,) Certificate is granted them for obtaining a probate of the said will in due form.

Teste,

L. R. Edwards, clk.

I, Richard Darden of the County of Southampton and State of Virginia, do hereby make and ordain this my last will and Testament in manner and form following vizt.

1st I wish my Executors who I shall hereafter name as soon after my death as may seem to them best, sell the whole of my chattel Estate pay my debts &c.

2nd I give and loan to my beloved wife Nancy Darden during her natural life just what she is entitled to out of my Estate under the Laws of Virginia.

3rd I give to my niece Ann B. Person the wife of James H. Person one fourth of the whole of my Estate not hereinbefore disposed of Left Three Thousand Dollars on account of presents made to her and her Husband heretofore, which I give her and her Heirs forever.

4th I wish and my will is that all the balance of my Estate of every kind whatsoever, not hereinbefore given away shall be equally divided between my sister Nancy Carr formerly Darden of the State of Tennessee and my nephews Richard J. Darden and James J. Darden of the County of Southampton and State of Virginia, all of which I give to them and their Heirs forever.

5th I do hereby constitute and appoint as Executors to this my last Will and Testament my nephews Richard J. Darden and James J. Darden and Davis Barrett.

In Witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seal, this 16th day of February One Thousand eight hundred and Sixty

Signed, Sealed & acknowledged } Richard ^{his} Darden Seal
In the presence of }
Ben E. Pope
J. J. Woodard

Codicil,

I, Richard Darden of the County of Southampton and State of Virginia, do wish (and give that portion of my Estate of every kind whatsoever, which I have hereinbefore given and loaned to my wife Nancy Darden, who has since died to my sister Nancy Carr, formerly Darden of the State of Tennessee and to Richard J. Darden, James J. Darden and Ann B. Person the wife of James H. Person all of this State, to be equally divided between them, all of which I give to them and their heirs forever, given under my hand and seal this 22nd day of December 1860.

Signed, Sealed and acknowledged } Richard ^{his} Darden Seal
In the presence of }
Ben E. Pope
J. J. Woodard

At a Court held for the County of Southampton, August 19th 1861.
This last Will and Testament of Richard Darden dec'd. Together with the contents were this day proved by the oaths of Ben E. Pope and J. J. Woodard the subscribing witnesses to the said will and codicil and thereupon order