

Subscribing witness being dead John A Person and David H Thomas being duly sworn deposes & swears severally that they are well acquainted with the hand writing of the said Edward P Turner and verily believe that the name of the said Edward P Turner to the said will subscribed as a witness is in the proper hand writing of the said Edward P Turner. The said John A Person also testified that the said Edward P Turner & himself signed their names as witnesses to the said will in the presence and at the request of the testator and in the presence of each other. Whereupon it is ordered that the said will be recorded and on the motion of David H Thomas one of the Executors therein named who made oath and together with Cuthbert D Warham and Wm J Francis his securities (who justified on oaths as to their sufficiency) entered into and acknowledged a bond in the penalty of sixteen thousand dollars conditioned according to law, certificate is granted him for obtaining a probat thereof in due form, liberty being reserved to the other executor therein named to be joined in the said probat when he thinks fit.

Teste

JR Edwards Clk

I Jesse Johnson of the County of Southampton and State of Va. do hereby make and constitute this writing as and for my last will and Testament in manner and form as follows
Item 1st I leave to my Wife Nancy Johnson after the payment of my debts my home tract of land with the exception of that portion lying west of a hedge-row and branch dividing it from the new house field and every thing thereof except one feather bed and furniture, to have and to hold during her life, and at her death I give the same to my son Hardy L Johnson on the condition that he pay to tho^s C Johnson's 3 children namely Wm H, Jesse and James Thomas Johnson one hundred dollars each.
Item 2nd I give and bequeath to my daughter Mary A Johnson all my land lying west of said line and known as the new house tract to her and her heirs forever, also one feather bed and furniture & 2 Chest. It is my will and desire that my executor sell my Seat place to the best advantage and pay the proceeds to my daughter Mary A Johnson provided she pay one hundred dollars each to my two grand children Nancy A and Sarah C Thorne. I have heretofore given my son John his portion of land by deed.
Lastly, I nominate and appoint my friend Alfred T. Stephenson my sole executor to this my last will and Testament with power to sell either publicly or privately such property as can be best spared to pay my debts is any Given under my hand this 7th June 1863.

Witness

M. M. Clayton

Jas E. Stephenson

Jesse Johnson (Seal)
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At a Court held for the County of Southampton on the 21st day of September 1863
This last will and Testament of Jesse Johnson dec^d was proved by the oaths of Mordock M Clayton and Jas E Stephenson the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded and on the motion of Alfred T Stephenson the Executor therein named who made oath