

Thomas St. Vaughan being sworn and examined, says he was well acquainted with the handwriting of the said John S. Bishop, and doth believe that the name of the said John S. Bishop is wholly in the proper handwriting of the said John S. Bishop, and therefore the said Will is Order'd to be Recorded.

Teste      R. Edwards, leg.

In the Name of God Am'm. I William S. Stephenson of the County of Southampton and State of Virginia being of sound Mind and memory but weak in body do constitute and Ordain to be my Last Will and Testament whereof I make a distribution in my property in the following manner and form to wit.

1<sup>st</sup> I leave to my Wife during her Widownhood the following property  
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Namely, The plantation I reside on, all the Henses attached to same Farm and the Lands adjoining said Dwelling ~~joining~~ Hood's dead Lands to the Road at Gun Pond, thence up said Road to the corner of the Old field, thence across the Piney Old field to the Swamp - thence down sd Swamp to the said Hoods dead Lands. Also the said Chattel property Namely, One Horse, two Cows, Six head Head Sheep, One cow and pigs, One work Ox, Two Beds & furniture, Two Tables, half Doz Windsor chairs, and two flag bottom chairs, wash Stand bowl & pitcher, One Set China, Cups & Saucers, One & half Doz earthen plates, 2 dishes, One Set Knives and forks, One Looking Glass, Bureau, One Wardrobe, One chest, One clock, One Cart and wheels, two plows & Gear, two Cutting Axes, Grub Hoe & two weeding Hoes, Buggy & Harness, one Iron pot, forging pan, Tea Kettle, Oven, two pair And'rons, Shovel & tongs, Water pail, two Tubs, Loom & Gear, One Spinning Wheel, & Cotton Cards, and in addition to the above articles to have One gears provision to be allotted by two disinterested persons.

2<sup>nd</sup> I give to my Son John B. Stephenson, my plantation near Blacke Water to him and his heirs forever, provided, he will be willing that his Sisters Mary, Caroline & Emmey may be furnished a home with the s<sup>d</sup> John B. Stephenson and be well taken care of by the Brother of said said Daughters while single.

3<sup>rd</sup> I Give to my Son Edwin Stephenson, eight Hundred dollars

I loaned to the said Edwin the year 1862. to him and his heirs forever.

4<sup>th</sup> I give to my Son Adamiram J. Stephenson a bond I hold

against Edwin Stephenson, to him and his Heirs forever.

Also my Silver Watch.