

Southampton County, In the Clerk's Office December 14th 1877
 This Account of Sale of the Chattel property belonging to the Estate of Sarah
 Annick dec'd after this day, including of together with the Certificate should amount
 of the approval of the Commissioner of Accounts, admitted to record.

Test,

R. Edwards Ck

I, Joshua L. Nicholson of the County of Sussex and State of Virginia, do make and
 Ordain this my last will and Testament, in the presence and firm following, to wit,
 Item 1st I bequeath to my beloved Wife E. A. Nicholson, all my Estate both real and
 personal, to have as she shall continue my Widow, to keep the same together with to
 board and school my Children in such manner, as she may feel able to do, free
 of any charge.

Item 2nd, In the event of either the death or marriage of my wife, I wish my
 property to be equally divided between my Children, my wife to have in the event of her
 marriage my last portion of my Estate as is allowed by law to a widow.

Item 3rd, I bequeath to my Mother during her life the following property, to wit, lot of
 land and Parker, two jugs, and gar. Bureau, Wicker and Chairs and Small Table, looking
 glass, articles purchased by me at her Sale, the said property to be placed in the
 hands of Mr. Samuel C. Wood as (Trustee) and not to be in any manner liable
 for the debt or Contracts of my Mother.

Item 4th, The above property bequeathed to my Mother is to be equally divided at
 her death between my Children.

Item 5th, I Nominate and Appoint my wife Executrix of this my last will,
 in witness of all which, I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this 14th day
 of July, A.D. 1877 hundred and Sixty two.

Witness

J. H. McCann,
 Isaac H. Davis,

Joshua L. Nicholson, Seal

At a Court held for the County of Southampton on the 17th day of December A.D. 1877.
 A Writing purporting to be the last will and Testament of Joshua L. Nicholson dec'd.
 was this day presented to the Court, by J. H. McCann & Isaac H. Davis, the
 subscribing witnesses thereto being dead, Joseph B. Brown being sworn dep'd & said
 he was well acquainted with the handwriting of the said J. H. McCann, & truly
 believe that the name of the said J. H. McCann, subscribed thereto as a
 witness, is in the proper handwriting of the said J. H. McCann, & Isaac
 Davis being sworn dep'd & said, he was well acquainted with the
 handwriting of the said Isaac H. Davis, & truly believe the name of
 the said Isaac H. Davis, subscribed thereto as a witness, is in the proper
 handwriting of the said Isaac H. Davis. Whereupon it is ordered
 that the said Writing be recorded as the true last will and
 Testament of the said Joshua L. Nicholson dec'd.

Testator R. Edwards Ck