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Will

In the name of God Amen July 20. 1770 I Benjamin Clifton of Southamptone County & St Lukes parish being in Perfect health and memory thanks God for divers good Causes & Comforts do make and ordain this to be my Last will and Testament in manner following that is to say

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First and Principally I recommend my Soul to God that Gave it my Body to the Earth for where it was taken to be Decently Buried at the Discretion of my Executors hereafter appointed and forthwith I would give and I hath pleased God to Bestow on me I give in manner as followeth

Item

I give and bequeath to my three eldest sons Vizt John Thomas & Benjamin Clifton Each of them five Shillings Current money I give and bequeath to my son Samuel Clifton and his heirs forever 200 Acres of land

Item

I give the piece of the Land & Plantation whereon my son John Clifton may Live on to his heirs forever his Natural life & after his Death I give the said Land & Plantation to my Grandson John Clifton & his heirs forever

Item

I give and bequeath the remaining Part of my Estate after my Death of all kind whatsoever to be sold for money & the Months Credit given the Purchaser giving bond and approved Security for the same and the money arising from the sale to be equally divided between my three sons that is say Richard Jesse & William Clifton my desire is that if my son William Clifton should die of Scurvy before my Death that my Slave should be sold at Publick Sale & the money Equally divided amongst my three Children above mentioned

Item

I do appoint my said son Rich^d Clifton Executor of this my Last Will and Testament making No Will & did all other wills perfectly made by me since my hand & Seal this 10th day February 1770

in presence of

Benjamin Clifton Esq

William Claid

John Claid

Joshua Claid

At Court held for the County of Southamptone the 2 day of October 1772

This will was presented in Court by Richard Clifton the Executor therein named & proved by the oaths of Wm Claid & John Claid two of the Witnesses thereto & ordered to be Recorded And on the motion of the said Executor who made oath according to the Statute in that behalf made a certificate is granted him in full thereof & so for giving Security & the like

B. Kellor

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In the name of God Amen I Wm Taylor of the County of Southamptone being weak in Body but of sound and disposing mind & memory do hereby make & publish in my Family about my Estate after my Death to make this my Last will & Testament in manner following

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I will and desire that all my just debts be paid and my heartiest Requestration that my Brother & Child Wm Taylor be fully complied with to this date by my Executors be so mentioned & so when attested to comply with the said & direct that the following