

At a Court held for the County of Southampton the 9<sup>th</sup> day of January 1777 This will was presented in Court by Rowland Barnes the executor therein named and proved by the oath of William Barnes and Jacob Barnes two of the witnesses therein named and made to be recorded and on the motion of the said Colton who made oath according to law certificate is granted him for obtaining a probat thereof in due form giving security Do<sup>s</sup> Sam<sup>l</sup> Kellon

Taylor  
Ethelred

In the name God amen I Ethelred Taylor of the Parish of Saint Luke and County of Southampton do make this my last will and testament to prevent any disputes that may arise about my estate after my death as follows  
I Give and bequesth to my Cousin Charles Taylor son of my Brother John Taylor all my estate whether land seven or wheresoever found which estate I give to my said Cousin Charles Taylor and his heirs forever

I Do appoint my Brother John Taylor Executor to this my last will and Testament In Witness whereof I have set my hand and seal this 15<sup>th</sup> day of April 1776  
his  
Ethelred Taylor  
Mark

Signed Sealed Published  
and declared by the Testator  
to be his last will and testament  
in presence of  
John Peterson

The Deposition of Batt Peterson and John Peterson taken before us in a Cause entered in the County of Southampton by James Taylor against averting purporting the last will & Testament of Ethelred Taylor deced. in order of a Commission to us directed from the W<sup>or</sup>shipfull Court of the County aforesaid

Batt Peterson of lawfull age being first sworn on the holy Evangelists of Almighty God depose and saith that he heard Ethelred Taylor declare the writing to be his last will and testament and that he was in his usual state of mind but very in body  
Batt Peterson  
Sworn before us

John Peterson of lawfull age and being first sworn as above depose and saith to the same effect of the above deponent  
Sworn before us  
J<sup>o</sup> Kellon  
J<sup>o</sup> Blount

At a Court held for the County of Southampton the 9<sup>th</sup> day of January 1777 This will was presented in Court by John Taylor the executor therein named and proved by the deposition of Batt Peterson and John Peterson the two witnesses therein named and made to be recorded and on the motion of the said Colton who made oath according to law certificate is granted him for obtaining a probat thereof in due form giving security Do<sup>s</sup> Sam<sup>l</sup> Kellon