Taylor Henry Will

In the name of God Amen I Henry Taylor of St. Luke's Parish and being sick & weak but being of sound and disposing mind and memory do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say:

First I give to my loving Wife during her natural life the use and occupation of the plantation whereon I now live with all the land I hold adjoining the same on the north side of the Angellica and Cook roads to wit, Beginning where my lens is fence thence along near Benjamin Lewis's field thence up the road to the cross roads thence up the cross road to the Gum branch thence down the same to Browns branch thence down the same to the three Creeks also slaves to wit, Cæsar his wife Mariam, Frank his wife Jenny, Sam his wife Beck, Nat great Hannah, Sall, Amey and Alice Also two horses Barbus and Jack and one mare called Fanny my double riding chair now making at Randolph Newsome and the harness belonging of Jonathan Jordan together with the wire harness now in the house ten Cows with their Calves ten Ewes with their Lambs five Sows & Pigs all my house and kitchen furniture such as Beds & furniture Tables Table Linnen & Chairs Desk, Chest Trunks the large case of bottles China, Glass looking Glasses silver tables and tea spoons Tea tongs Butter knife tongs shovel and Andirons Frying pans Pots pitchers & kettles Tea kettle, Coffee pot Copper kettles & Bellmettal Skillet Spinning & weaving utensils Cyder casks & bottles stone Jugs and Jars Tubs Pails Trays & one hand mill all my earthen ware the tea Coffee and sugar purchased for the house use Linnen Virginia cloth & not made up Knives and forks salt and a sufficient quantity of provision for the use of the ~~house~~ family untill the end of the Year at which time she is to receive for her own use fifty barrels of Corn twenty bushels of wheat & two thousand lb of good fat pork Also lend her one third part of my plantation utensils fit for use without repairing and my iron bound cart & wheels.

Item, I give and bequeath to my son Whitlow Taylor the Plantation called Ridge with all the land I hold adjoining the same on the west side of the Gum and Browns branches beginning at the mouth of Browns branch thence up the same to the Gum branch thence up the Gum branch to the head thereof thence a direct line to Jarrells line to my said son Whitlow & his heirs Also the ten following slaves viz, David, Dave, Jimmy Will, Esther, Armour, Cuba, Fanny, Phillis & Pleasant & their increase from this date, Also my two old and Jaded Mares my grey horse and a horse called Peter twenty head of young Cattle none to exceed four years old ten good Ewes and half the lambs remaining after taking my wife first out fifty barrels of corn five thousand pounds cash of the value money is now of and one third part of my plantation utensils fit for use without repairing all which are given to him and to his heirs forever

Item, I give and bequeath to Daughter Elizabeth and to her heirs the eight following slaves and their increase from this date viz, Betty, Lilly, Hannah, Cherry, Abby, Edy, daughter of Celia, Sarah, Tom, and Jamey son of Cassia.

Item, I give and bequeath to my son John Taylor and to his heirs the fourteen following slaves viz, Jacob, Pame, Lewis, Tony, Andrew, Nathan, Celia, Lavina, Cloe, Lettice, Celia daughter of Jenny, Lucky, Peg and Dorinda, my two Selim mares my black and roan horses my leave of Indian land in paying the annual rent twenty head of Cattle none to exceed four years old ten good Ewes the remaining half of my lambs fifty barrels of corn five thousand pounds cash of the value money is now of and the remaining third part of my plantation utensils fit for use without repairing.