

At a Court held for the County of Southampton the 11th day of June
1774 This Will was presented in Court by Messrs. Mearns, Messrs. Mearns
the executor therein named proved by the oath of Messrs. Mearns
of the said County who deposed that he saw Joseph Henry Currell and
his names were written in the presence of the Testator and were
there recorded and on the motion of the said executor was ordered
that according to law certificate is granted that the said Will is
proved thereof in due form giving security thereupon Ver-

John
Crenshaw
will

In the name of God amen I John Crenshaw being sick
and weak in Body but in perfect mind and memory thank his Majesty
for it and calling unto mind the Mortality of my Body and knowing it is
appointed for all to die do make and Ordain this my last Will & Testament
principally and first of all I Recommend my soul into the hands of
God and my Body to the ground to be buried in a Christian like
manner and as touching such worldly estate which it has pleased
God to bestow upon this life I Give in the following manner
I Give to my loving wife Elizabeth Crenshaw and those called
Bridgette and spinning and Linen Wheel one small trunk her
choice of my Feather Bed and furniture my best chest and two
Tables also my Negro Dick & then disposed.

In consideration of the maintenance and schooling of my two
children Elijah and Polly I Give to my wife Elizabeth Crenshaw
the use of all the residue of my estate both real and personal during
her life in widowhood.

I Give to my Son Elijah Crenshaw after my wifes death or marriage
all my land on the east side of the two Kilm Branch and part on the
west side bounded by Beginning at the mouth of the said Branch
and running up the same to where the path leading from my house
to the road leading from Doct. Brownes to St. Georges Chappel
crosses the said Branch then an aline of marked trees near
a north course to my live which incloses all my land on the
east side of the said Line and tacklin branch also my negro Kate
my Guns and all my Tools of any kind and my Horses also one half
my other personal Estate to be allotted and set apart at the
discretion of my Executors to him and the lawful Issues of his
Body and in case there should be no such Issue to my Daughter
Polly Crenshaw and the lawful Issues of his body in case there
should be no such Issue I Give the same to Elemeel Tard-
son of Benjamin Tardson decd. to him and his heirs forever
I Give to my Daughter Polly Crenshaw after my wifes death