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A Court held for the County of Southampton the 11th day of Sept. 1798 This
Will was presented in court by Simon Bayk one of the executors Arthur
Baykin the other refusing, proved by the oaths of Elizabeth Williams Joan
Lammerell and Daniel Herring witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded, and
on the motions of the said executors who made oath according to law
"Certificate" is granted him for obtaining a probat thereof in due form
giving security whereupon to

In the name of God Amen I *Spencer Jenkins* of the County of Southampton
being of sound mind and memory and knowing the uncertainty of this life as
will constitute make and ordain this to be my last will and testament
I recommend my soul to God almighty to take it to himself into that mansion of eternal and
incomparable felicity which he has prepared for all those who love and fear his
Name Blessed be God to me
Item I commit my body to the earth from whence it came in a sted fast hope of a resurrection
to eternal happiness and after my funeral expences are paid and my just creditors sat-
isfied I desire my Estate to be divided in the following manner
I give the use of my negroes namely Joan, Pate, Peter, and Dick the son of Pate &
their increase unto my loving wife Ann Jenkins during her life I also give the use
of my Plantation whereon I now live together with all my stock and household fur-
niture and every other Article of my whole estate except the negroes hereafter men-
tioned to her during her natural life
Item I desire that my land above mentioned may at the death of my wife Ann Jenkins
be equally divided between my two sons Jesse and William to them and their
heirs forever but the one who hath the Houses and improvements shall pay the
other the sum of thirty pounds out of his part of the estate to enable him to build
and improve his part, if my said sons should not agree in the division of the
Land it is my desire that they may appoint indifferent people to determine and
divide the said Land
Item I do give to my son Jesse Jenkins my Negroes named Quince and Judith
and her increase also one Horse commonly called by the name of Mark
Arthur together with my Black Smiths Tools and one Leather bed to
him and his heirs forever
Item I give to my son William Jenkins my Negroes named David and Begg
and her increase together with one Horse called and known by
the name of Dim and also one Leather bed to him and his heirs
forever