

John
Gray
wrote

In the name of God amen this 2th day of Feb^r 1789 John
Gray of Southampton County being weak and law in Body but of sound and
disposing mind and among do make and ordain this my last will and Testament in
Manner and form following W^{it}h

I first and foremost recommend my Soul to Almighty God as he gave it in a lively
hope of a joyful Resurrection of the same and as for what worldly goods it hath
pleased Almighty God to bestow upon me I Dispose of as followeth

Item I give all my land to Lydia Ramsey provided she will live her lifetime on the
said land to her and her heirs forever but in case she will not live on said
land as above mentioned I then leave it to the said Land to my Brother John
Gray during his natural life and after his death I then leave this said land
to be sold and the money equally divided between my Sisters Honour Sharp Lydia
Ramsey and Mary Blake and their heirs forever

Item I also give to Lydia Ramsey my Negro Bitch my Sorrell Horse and one large
Saddle Cow to her and her heirs forever but in case she dies without lawfull
Issue I then leave said Negro Horse and Cows to be equally Divided between
Catherin Ramsey Honour Sharp & Mary Blake and their heirs forever

Item I also give to Honour Sharp one Cow and calf and to her heirs forever

Item I give to Mary Morgan one earthen basin I give to Lydia Ramsey one
Earthen Basin I then give to Mary Blake my Riding Saddle and
one shute I give to Thomas Turner one Buckle I then leave all the rest
of my estate to be equally Divided Between John Gray Catherin Ramsey
Honour Sharp Mary Smith and their heirs forever except my Son and
Bacon which I give to Lydia Ramsey if she live on said Plantation as
above but if not for it be divided as above with the rest of my Estate
I hereby Appoint Henry Ramsey and my Brother John Gray
Whole and sole executors of this my last Will and Testament

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set
my hand and seal the day & Date above written

Signed sealed and acknowledged
in presence of

Martha Morgan

Mary F. Horrell

Priscilla McLenore

Susan Turner

John Gray
made

A Court held for the County of Southampton
the 9th day of April 1789. This Will is approved
by the oaths of Priscilla McLenore and Susan Turner two of the
Justices thereto and ordered to be recorded (and time being served
for the executors to qualify)