

In the name of God Amen I John Reese of the county of Southampton Parish
 Reese I being in perfect sense & memory thanks be to Almighty God for the same but at
 John the same time considering that all men must die & not knowing how soon it may be my lot
 Will so think this the most proper time to make this my last will & Testament & first I give my
 soul to God who gave it me hoping that he will receive it into his mansions of bliss & my body
 to it Mother earth to be decently buried and as to my worldly goods which it hath please
 God to bestow upon me I dispose of in the following manner Viz

In primis I send unto my beloved wife Mary Reese during her natural life or widowhood all my land
 likewise her full choise of all my Negroes which I may have at my death likewise the
 choise of my horses & six choise of cattle three choise feather beds & furniture twenty choise
 of my hogs fifty barrels of corn and all the remainder of my Estate wheresoever it may
 be found be sold & twelve months credit allowed & the money arising from the sale be
 equally divided between my children as follows to wit Randolph Reese Rogers Reese
 Rivers Reese Reuben Reese Rowel Reese John Reese Joseph Reese Paddy Morgan wife of Matthew
 Morgan Mary Thorpe wife of John Thorpe Selah Adams wife of Benj^m Adams jun^r & to them
 & their heirs forever

I give and bequeath unto my beloved daughter Lucy Johnson five Shillings
 I give and bequeath to my beloved daughter Sally Joy wife of Benj^m Joy 5^l to her & her heirs
 I give & bequeath to my beloved daughter Sucky Joy wife of Philip Joy Shillings to her & her heirs
 It is my will & desire at the death or marriage of my beloved wife Mary Reese that all the
 estate sent unto her both real & personable be sold at twelve months credit & the money
 arising from the sale be equally divided between my children as follows Randolph
 Reese, Rogers Reese, Reuben Reese, Rowel Reese, John Reese, Joseph Reese, Paddy Morgan
 wife of Matthew Morgan Mary Thorpe wife of John Thorpe Selah Adams wife of Benj^m
 Adams jun^r & in case either of my children should die under the age of twenty one or
 without issue their portion to be equally divided between the remainder part of
 my ten children last named in this my last will & Testament to them & their heirs
 forever

Moreover I do lastly appoint my beloved sons Randolph Reese & Roger Reese & my son
 Henry Thorpe my sole & sole Ex^{rs} to this my last will & Testament hereby making null
 & void all former wills & bequeaths heretofore made by me & constituting this
 other to be my last will & Testament In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand
 and affixed my seal this 1st day of Dec. 1792.

Sign'd & Sealed
 In the presence of
 William Griggard
 Randolph Milton
 Thomas Pate
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John Reese Senr. (Seal)