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I Benjamin Beale junior of Southampton County Virginia being weak of body but of sound mind & memory knowing the uncertainty of this transitory life do think I propose to make this my last will & testament in manner & form following (to wit)

I leave to my loving wife Elizabeth Beale the use profits & emoluments of the plantation and lands whereon I now live, also my lands known by the name of the Roquer tract together with all my personal estate of every kind except 800 of bacon for and during the term of her natural life or widowhood and this I leave her in full satisfaction of any dowry she may hereafter claim in my estate. And I request I do hereby authorize my friend Jordan Denson to sell the above 800 of bacon & of the money arising from the sale thereof to pay the debt I owe to Jordan Denson & 60 to Pallow Whanover if sufficient and the overplus if any to my wife

I give devise and bequeath to my son Jeremiah Beale after the death or marriage of my wife and upon the special condition that he shall within one year after his death or marriage pay unto my son in law Solomon Cobb the sum of fifty pounds current money of Virginia. The plantation & lands whereon I now live to include and comprise all the lands which I have lying on the North side of the line of that plantation and part of my lands whereon my son Shadrach Beale now lives also all my lands known by the name of Roger Mack tract & I suppose to contain 97 acres to him & to his heirs forever provided always that it is my will that the neglect or refusal of my said son Jeremiah Beale to have or assign to pay the above mentioned fifty pounds as aforesaid shall not be considered to vacate or effect his title to the said tracts of lands before he shall attain to Twenty two years of age

Whereas my son Shadrach Beale is justly indebted to different persons in certain sums which debts I am doubtful he will not be careful to pay It is my will & devise and I do hereby authorize and direct my Executors hereafter named or in case of her death refusal or inability to act my administrator or administrators as the case may be do sell for the best price they can get all that plantation & part of my lands whereon my son Shadrach Beale now lives containing by estimation 75 acres & bounded as follows To wit being divided from the lands whereon I now live by Turners branch & a small branch that makes into the pond on the north side thereof a line of mark or trees extending from the head of the small branch to Joseph Scotts line & the known & reputable bounds thereof to the apex of Turners branch And I do hereby give my said Executor or Executors as the case may be full power right & authority to make execute and deliver any deed or other writing that may be necessary for securing to the purchaser thereof as full a title as free and perfect a right title in and to the said lands & premises as myself might or could have done also it is my will and I do hereby direct that the money arising from the sale of the said lands shall first be applied to the payment of such debts of my said son Shadrach Beale as he actually owes prior to Nov 8 1791 and for which it shall appear he hath received reasonable satisfaction of which my Executor or Executors as the case may be shall be and competent judges and also to the payment of such sum or sums as myself or others have advanced toward the discharge of his debts provided always that no claim or demand against my said son shall be paid as aforesaid unless the same shall be presented & made known to the person or persons who shall represent me either as an Executor or Administrator within six months after they he or she shall be legally qualified to act. And it is my will and I do hereby give to my son Shadrach Beale his heirs or assigns the remainder or surplus of the money if any that the said lands shall be