

Robt Hart
Will

In the Name of God Amen The twenty second day of December one thousand seven hundred and Eighty nine I Robert Hart of the County of Southampton do make order this to be my last will and Testament and for of in form and manner following -

Impress

I give To my son John Hart the plantation where on I now live contain-
ing one hundred & fifty acres more or less to him and his heirs forever

Item

I Give To my son Robert Hart one Negro named Ned To him and his heirs forever

Item

I Give to my son Denny Hart one Negro named Gato to him and his heirs forever

Item

I send all the rest of my Estate to my wife Sarah Hart during her widowhood and if in case there should be any increase from any of my Negroes from now as long as they be in the Land of my wife Sarah for Robert and Denny if they should lose either of their negroes for the loss to have one of the increase if any and if these two sons should loose neither of their negroes for all the increase to be Equally divided between all my children -

Item

I Give my three Daughters Averel Hart Silver Hart and Sarah Hart three negroes Tony Grey and Rose to be Equally divided between them

Item

At my wife's death or marriage for all the rest of my Estate to be Equally divided between all my children Averel Hart John Hart Robert Hart Denny Hart Silver Hart and Sarah Hart -

I likewise do appoint Richard Hart my sole and sole Executor of this my last will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year first above written

Signed Sealed published

Robert Hart

and Declared to be the last will

and Testament of the above

In the presence of

Joseph Hart
Jesse Hart
Joseph Hart

1797

At a Court held for the County of Southampton the 15th day of May
This Will was proved by the oaths of Joseph Hart and Joseph Hart Jr.

two of the witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded And the Executor therein named refusing to take on himself the direction of the Executor thereof Therefore on the motion of Mr. Hart who made oath according to Law administration with

the will annexed is granted him on the Estate of the Testator on his given bond and security Whereupon &c

Jesse

Jam Wells Esq