

46 Eleanor Charles of the County of Southampton Virginia knowing  
the uncertainty of this transitory life think proper to make my last Will  
and Testament in manner and form following —

First I Give and bequeath unto my son William Charles to have full  
possession of as the he was of full age one Dark Bay mare one father  
bed and furniture of his choice half dozen pewter plates one small  
dish one basin all my Earthen ware one clutch over and Hooks also  
as much of my crop of corn facoleu and peck as may be necessary  
for him and his mans support for the ensuing year to him and to his heirs and  
assigns forever —

Item I Give and bequeath unto my daughter Elizabeth Charles one Father Bed &  
furniture of second choice also Twenty five pounds ish. to be paid her as soon  
as it can be raised out of my Estate to her and her heirs and assigns forever  
I direct my Executor hereafter mentioned to sell all my Estate that is not  
herein otherwise Disposed of and pay all my Just debts & the remainder  
it any to be Equally Divided between my Son William Charles & my daughter  
Elizabeth Charles their heirs & assigns

Lastly I do authorize and Appoint my Friend Josiah Signer & Joseph Denson my  
Executors to this my last will and Testament hereby ratifying and confirming  
this and no other to be my last Will & Testament In Witness whereof I have  
hereunto set my hand and seal This second day of October In the Year of  
our Lord one Thousand seven hundred and Ninety Seven —

Signed Sealed & pronounced by the said —

Eleanor Charles to be her last will & Testament  
in the presence of us —

Eleanor Charles  
mark

Thomas Chappell

Joseph Denson Jr.

Cathy Signer

At a Court held for the County of Southampton the  
15<sup>th</sup> Day of January 1798 — This Will was pro. d by the  
Oaths of Thomas Chappell & Cathy Signer two of the witnesses  
and continued for the Executors. And at a Court held for  
the s<sup>d</sup> County of Southampton the 21<sup>st</sup> Day of May 1798  
on the Motion of Josiah Signer & Joseph Denson the Executors  
therein named who make oath according to Law, Certificate  
is granted them for obtaining a probat thereof in due  
form giving Security whereupon &c

Sam<sup>l</sup> Wells Co<sup>rs</sup>

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