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John
Wilkinson
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In the Name of God Amen I John Wilkinson of Southampton County
being in perfect Sense & Memory do this 14th day June one Thousand
Seven Hundred & Ninety nine make & ordain this my last Will & Testament
Impresis - I give & bequeath unto my son Nathaniel Wilkinson all my Lands on the
South side of Mercurius River also 2 Lot in Murfreesboro -
Also I give to my Son John Lewis Wilkinson the Tract Land I now have
which is on the South side of Mercurius River part lies in Virginia
& part in North Carolina

My Will & desire is that that my Negroes be continued on my plantations until
the death &c. untill my Son Nathaniel Wilkinson shall arrive to the age of Twenty
one & then my whole Estate to be Equally divided between them provided my
son John Lewis Wilkinson doth give up his right to the Land which came
by his Mother should he claim it, my Will is that Nathaniel Wilkinson
should have Four Thousand Dollars more than John Lewis Wilkinson when
the Estate is divided, my desire is also that John Lewis Wilkinson should
be put in possession of his Estate when his brother arrives of Age
free to act & do for himself - My desire has full Power to make sale of any
of my Slaves which I have not set free should they behave amiss & also sell
any part of my Stock & household Furniture for the advantage of my before
named Sons - My Negro Woman Liddy & her Children Peggy & Joe. who
be set free & be maintained out of my Estate untill Nathaniel Wilkinson
comes of Age - My Will & desire is also for Peggy & Joe to have Four Thousand
Dollars each out of my Estate before its divided when Nathaniel
arrives of age - Should both my Sons Nathaniel & John Lewis Wilkinson
depart this Life before either of the should attain full Weir, My Sonars to go
to my brother James Wilkinson, I do hereby appoint my loving brother
James Wilkinson & my brother John Benjamin Wilson Williamson, my Son
Ely & George N. Byrum my whole & sole Executors to this my last Will
& Testament & they are not to give any Security return any advantage
account Sales to collect & act & do as the best for the advantage of my Executors
Wife's whosoever I have hereto set my hand & affix my Seal the day
Year before mentioned -

John Wilkinson (Seal)

All a Court held for the County of Southampton the 26th Day of April
1800 - The Will and Testament of John Wilkinson dec. was presented
Court by James Wilkinson & Benjamin N. Williamson two of the Executors
in named (liberty being sworn for the others to qualify hereafter) and James
Thelia William Plaintiff John Byrum & Simon Corbett deposing that they had
the said Will wholly written & signed by the Testator himself it is ordered
that a probat is granted herein without giving bond or Security as directed by the
Will &c.

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