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Joseph
Powell's
Will

In the name of God Amen I Joseph Powell of Southampton County and Parish of St. Lukes being weak in body but of sound mind and memory and knowing that it is appointed for all men to die, do make and publish this my last will and Testament this twenty fifth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred —

- Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Martha Powell one feather bed & furniture one black Walnut Table one gray Mare Called Tan Lin head of Cattle one Chest one Bedmans Saddle one pewter Disk one B. Bason & six D. plates also one Large Iron Pot to her & her heirs forever
- Item I give & bequeath to my Daughter Ann Deloach one Bay Horse Called Jack (or if I should sell the said horse) I give the sum I get for the said Horse to my said Daughter Ann Deloach also one Cow & Calf to her & her heirs forever
- Item I give & bequeath to my son James Powell all the land that I am possessed with this Exception that my Daughters have the privilege of living in & enjoying the Houses on one the two plantations I now possess just as they & my son James Powell may agree on untill my Daughter Sally Powell shall arrive to the years of twenty one also three head of Cattle & one Gun to him and his heirs forever
- Item I give and bequeath to my son Nathan Powell the sum of fifty pounds Virginia money Currency which is now in the hands of my son James Powell also one Sorrell Mare Called Lightfoot one feather bed & furniture & one Cow & Calf to him and his heirs for ever
- Item I give & bequeath to my Daughters Lucy Powell & Sally Powell all the Residue of my Estate of what Nature or kind soever to be Equally divided between them (Lucy & Sally Powell) to them & their heirs forever
- Item My further will and desire is that the negroes not free at my decease to be hired out untill they are free and the money arising to be Equally divided Amongst my Sons James Powell & Nathan Powell & my Daughters Martha Powell & Ann Deloach to them & their heirs forever
- Lastly I constitute and appoint my Son James Powell Executor to this my last Will & Testament
- Signed & Published in presence of
Edward Fisher
Jacob Porter
Drewry Powell

Joseph Powell

at account held for the county of Southampton the 20th day of Sept 1801 This will was proved by the oaths of Drewry Powell & Jacob Porter two of the Witnesses thereto & was taken Recorded and on the motion of James Powell the Executor therein named who made oath according to law that he is granted him in due form giving Security & Return

Samuel Wells