

First I give and bequeath to almighty god my Soul who first gave it me
and as for my worldly goods I give and assign as follows

Item I leave to my beloved Wife Delilah Porter the whole of my Land & Negroes
during her natural life or widowhood for her and ~~negroes~~ ^{negroes} Myles Porters
support and for giving him a good education and if my said wife should
now be with child with a boy child it is my Desire that the said Child should
share the same benefit of the said land and Negroes as my son before mentioned
and at her death or Marriage for the said land and Negroes and there in case
^{particular the money} to be equally divided between them two children and if it be a girl Child
for it to share of the same benefit of the aforesaid Land & Negroes whilst in the
hands of its Mother as though it were a boy but at her death or marriage for
it only to have an equal share of the Negroes - And it is my Desire that
enough of my other estate should be sold to pay all my just Debts and the
balance be it of what kind soever for it to Rest and Remain with my wife
for the purpose the other was devised for and at her death or marriage for
it to be sold and the money equally divided between my offsprings remaining
and if my son Myles Porter should die without lawful Issue it is my Desire that
the whole of my estate should go to his brother or sisters and if he has neither
for it to go to my wife's brothers and Sisters to be divided amongst them as
they may think proper -

Lastly I Nominate and appoint my friend John Underwood Sec^r my whole and
Sole Executor to this my last will and testament and that the court may
not require any Security of him Revoking and Disannulling all other wills
by me heretofore made and do declare this to be my last will and Testament
in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this Seventh day
of August one Thousand Eight hundred -

Signed sealed published and
declared in the presence of us

James Porters



Sam Woodard &
Josiah Battle
Joseph Vick &

At a court held for the county of Southampton
the 28th day of December 1801 This will was
proved by the oaths of Sam Woodard and Joseph Vick two of the Justices
thereto and ordered to be recorded; and on the motion of John Underwood Sec^r
the Ex^r therein named (the will directing no Security to be Required) Order
is granted him in due form &c. —

Sam^l Battle &