

At a Court held for the County of Southampton on the 1st day of August 1806 This will was presented in Court by Mary Butts the executrix named in the will proved by the oaths of Samuel Turner and Exum Turner two of the witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded; And on the Motion of the Said executrix who made oath according to law probate was granted her giving Security whereupon &c

Robert Peabworth of Southampton County Virginia do make and
 Peabworth ordain this my last Will and Testament as follows, to wit:
 Will First I give all the Land I now possess, to be equally divided between my
 Son Henry Peabworth and my Daughter Betsey Peabworth; in the following
 manner and under the following restrictions To wit: The Said Henry and
 Betsey shall each of them chose a man who shall divide the Land as
 nearly equal as they possibly can in their judgements and if there two
 should not agree they shall chose a third man to their assistance whose
 Judgement shall be decisive provided always that the Said line shall
 run between the house where I now live & that where my Son Henry lives
 and is directed as that the orchard at neither place shall be effected and
 when it is thus divided my Son Henry shall take that part which lies
 next to and including the plantation where he now lives, and Betsey
 shall take the balance which I give to them and their heirs forever
 saving however to my wife Sarah Peabworth the free use of that part
 allotted to my Daughter Betsey during the life of my said wife --
 Item I give to my Daughter Betsey Peabworth, to her and her heirs forever one
 Cow and calves --
 Item I leave all the residue of my estate after my Debts are paid, to my wife
 Sarah during her life and at her death I give the same in equal
 division to my three Sons, John William & Henry and my daugh-
 ter Betsey to them and their heirs forever --
 Item In the construction of the will, no property which I have heretofore given
 to either of my children and found in their or either of their posses-
 sions, the Land excepted, is to be considered as my estate or to be anywise
 effected hereby --
 Lastly I hereby nominate and appoint my Son Henry Peabworth executor
 to this my last Will and Testament, In Witness whereof I have hereunto
 set my hand and affixed my Seal this Eighth day of July 1803
 Test
 John Lee
 Ethelard Gardner
 Thomas Milnes
 his
 Robert Peabworth Seal
 Mark