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Shadrack
Johnson's
Will

In the name of God. Amen. I Shadrack Johnson of Southampton County
being sound in mind and memory. Thanks be to God. and knowing its appoin-
ted for all men Once to die, I do make constitute and appoint This my last
Will and Testament

Item. I promise My body I resign to the earth from whence it was taken to be
decently buried by my executors

Item. I lend the use of my Land and plantation that I now live on to will
beloved wife Anna Johnson. during her natural life or my widow

I also lend the use of all the rest of my Estate, of all kinds whatsoever to my
wife

Item. I give and bequeath to my son Benjamin Johnson Five Shillings to
him and his heirs forever

Item. My will is that after the death or marriage of my wife is, that all my
personal Estate should be sold first paying my Just Debts and the bal-
ance be Equally Divided between my son John Johnson and Tabitha
Pond and Ginny Saneford and their heirs forever

Item. I give to my son John Johnson the Land and Plantation I now
live on, after the death or marriage of my wife - to him and his heirs
forever. If he has no heirs lawfully begotten of his own body then to
return to Tabitha Pond and Ginny Saneford and their heirs forever

Item. I do appoint my son John Johnson my executor to this my last will
and Testament. In Witness I have hereunto set my hand and seal
this 22nd of December 1803

Signed Sealed in the presence of
Shadrack Johnson Seal
Thomas Chappell
Martha Chappell

At a Court held for the County of Southampton on the 16th day of
February 1804. This will was presented in Court by John Johnson the
executor named in the will proved by the oaths of Thomas Chappell
and Martha Chappell the witnesses thereto and ordered to be
recorded; And on the motion of the Said Executor who made oath
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