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John
Gurley
Will

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In the Name of God Amen I John Gurley of the County of Southampton and State of Virginia being of Sound mind and memory thanks be given to almighty God for the same do make and constitute this my last will and Testament in form and manner following to wit:

I Give and bequeath to my Nephew John Edwards one Negro boy by the name of Jack to him and his Heirs forever -

I Give and bequeath to my Nephew John Drake one Negro boy by the name of Bob to him and his Heirs forever -

I Give and bequeath to wife Elizabeth M. Gurley and her Heirs forever all my lands and Tenements. I also appoint her whole and sole Heir of all my Estate real & personal that I may die possessed of exclusive of the legacies before mentioned

I appoint my wife whole and sole Executrix to this my last will and Testament. I witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 17 Day of October 1805 - Signed Sealed published and Declared by the said John Gurley as and for his last will and Testament -

In presence of us

John Whitbee

Patsy M. Drake

Benjamin Edwards

Littleberry Baines

John Gurley Seal

At a Court held for the County of Southampton on the 16th Day of February 1807 This will was presented in Court by Elizabeth M. Gurley the executrix named in the will; proved by the oaths of John Whitbee and Benjamin Edwards two of the witnesses hereto and ordered to be recorded; And on the motion of the said Executrix who made oath according to law; probate is granted her in due form giving Security Whimurson &c.

Joseph

Ruffin

Will

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In the name of God Amen I Joseph Ruffin of the County of Southampton and State of Virginia being of Sound mind and memory do make this my last will and Testament in manner and form as follows -

I desire to be buried at the family burying ground; along with the rest of my family -

I Give to John Eason of Smithfield my Negro boys Anthony and an as; also my dark bay gelding; also my right to half of two lots in or about Norfolk (purchased of Robert Farmer) to him and to his Heirs forever -

It is my will and desire that the likeness or picture of John Eason now in my possession may return to his family, and I Give the same to Margaret Eason Partrick, and to her Heirs forever -