

In the name of god amen I Polley Branch of the County of Southampton do make and ordain this to be my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following (It Wit)

Item - I give and bequeath to my sister Elizabeth Branch four Negroes and their increase by names as follows one Woman Sarah she with Channy one female Child Fockey one male child Edmund

Item - I give and bequeath to my sister Sally Branch my negro man Davy, and after paying my last debts, Funeral expences and Doctors Bill.

I give and bequeath to my Brother Benjamin Branch one hundred Dollars if there be money enough due to my estate, should I not have money left after paying my debts my two sisters above mentioned shall equally pay unto my brother Benjamin Branch until the sum given him be paid, and lastly

I do hereby constitute and appoint Capt James Clayton Executor of this my last will and testament in witness whereof I have hereto set my hand and seal this twenty fourth day of January

in the year of our Lord Eighteen hundred and fourteen -

Signed sealed and ackn.

In presence of

Goodman Branch

Eliza Stephenson

Benjamin Stephenson

Polley Branch
Wife

At a Court held for the County of Southampton the day of December 1844 this will was presented in Court, proved by the oaths of Eliza Stephenson and Benj. Stephenson two of the witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded, and at a Court held for the County of Southampton the 18th day of January 1845 James Clayton the executor therein named - who made oath according to Law for administration with the will annexed the same is granted him on giving bond and security Whereupon he

Inventory and appraisement of Joseph Burt's Estate

Joseph Burt	1845 July 20 th	1 Negro man Nat	20	£105	00
		7 White Women Servants		80	"
		1 White Girl Dutch		80	"
		1 White 2 ^d - Jane		80	"
		1 White 2 ^d - Hannah		80	"
		1 White Boy Archer		30	"
		1 White 2 ^d - Sandy		55	"
		1 White 2 ^d - Isaac		35	"
		1 Shovel Man With goat and saddle		15	"
				21	"