

I John Davis of Southampton county being of sound mind & memory, doth make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following. ^{1st} I bequeath to my wife, Martha, during her life the use of my land and plantations on the west side of the west prong of Nottoway Swamp it being the place of my residence, together with the use of my negroes, Sam, George, Ned, Harry and Roda, my still all my cider barrels, hogheads, plugs, two Feather beds, bedsteads and furniture, two horses, she having her choice, four cows and calves, four ewes and lambs all my hogs, all my corn and fodder, my plantation utensils, my household and kitchen furniture, my work steers except such as I shall hereafter give or otherwise dispose of. ^{2nd} I give to my son Wilson Davis my negro man Peter, one horse called Sargollee, a bed and furniture to him and his heirs forever he having the same in his possession. ^{3rd} I give to my son Samy Davis my negro woman named Jerry one horse called Lightfoot, one bed, and furniture and one cow & calf to him and his heirs forever he having the same in possession. ^{4th} I give to my son Thomas Davis my negro woman named Moses and two girls named Judy and Nancey, which is in lieu of what I am indebted to him and his portion of my estate to him and his heirs forever. ^{5th} I give to my son Samuel Davis, the tract of land he now lives on containing one hundred and twenty acres more or less which said land was lately layed off and surveyed by James Jones Esquire reserving to my wife during her life the use of the corn field called the swamp field, also I give to him after her death my negro boy Ned, together with my scumming knife and steel my rappers & rapping strop to him and his heirs forever. ^{6th} I give to my son William Davis the tract of land he lately resided beginning at my bridge on Nottoway Swamp thence along my lane a tract course to a white ash a half corner tree thence long a line of marked trees to the head of a bottom, down said bottom to Nottoway Swamp down said Swamp to the fork, thence up the courses of the other prong to the beginning there being one hundred and fifty acres more or less reserving to my wife during her life the use of a corn field called Hardners (orchard excepted) also one horse called Snip one feather bed and furniture and my negro boy named James which said boy, bed, and horse he has in his possession I also give him one cow and calf to him and his heirs forever. ^{7th} I give to my son Jesse Davis my negro girl Sudda to him and his heirs forever. ^{8th} I give to my son John Davis after the death of my wife, the land and plantation which I now reside on to him and his heirs forever I also give him one bed, bedstead and furniture he having the same in possession. ^{9th} I give to my