

his last will &c. It is my will after my two sons John and Samuel are dead one hundred and thirty dollars that
the balance of my estate of whatever kind and other ways disposed of to be equally divided amongst all my children
And lastly I do bequeath my son Thomas Harpser my executor of this my last will and testament hereby
revoking all other or former wills or testaments made by me. The witnesses whereof I have hereunto set my
hand and seal this 21st of June 1823 in presence of
Benjamin Butler Esq. (Read Thomas Harpser
att. a Court held for the County of Southampton on the 20th October 1823) This will was presented in Court approved
by the oath of Benjamin Butler and Thomas Harpser two of the witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded
Orth. James Rockwell Esq.

- James Harpser of Southampton County Virginia do make and ordain this last will and testament in manner
and form followingly.
- First I do to my loving wife Temperance Harpser the plantation whereon I now live being on the East side of the
road leading from Jones' ferry to the Sandy ridge road then straight across the sandy ridge to the dividing line
between James Riddle and myself then along the said dividing line an Easterly Course to the dividing line between
the said Riddle and myself then along the said last mentioned dividing line
to a stone mark there the said river is an oak standing on the South side of the road leading from Jones' ferry
to the Sandy ridge road near the river bank where my plantation as I have understood formerly had a gate
and which is also a line tree between the land that my wife formerly gave her by a deed of gift and that
that I now live there together with all my plantation along the same I now hold and possess forever
for and during the term of her natural life
- Item I do bequeath to my said wife during her natural life some negro in Court named Abel Man Ab and
man Harpser to remain for so many old years by cattle and good clothes and bedding
- Item I do bequeath to my wife during her life in third number of my negroes, sheep and cattle that I may have on
hand at my death and then of her choice also two horses her choice of three I may have on hand at my death
- Item I give and bequeath to my wife Temperance Harpser during her life four barrels of Corn out of the crop that
may be on hand at my death or out of the crop that may be raised on the plantation after my death should I live
at a season of the year that will make it necessary to keep the hands together to raise a crop also in third first
money that may be in the house at my death and one third of the notes and accounts that I may have on
hand at my death to her and at her own disposal
- Item I desire Will and direct that my riding carriage which is now at Benjamin Butler should be
finished off agreeable to Contract and that a suitable set of harness be purchased which said carriage
and harness I give to my wife Temperance Harpser at her own disposal
- Item On the death of my wife I give an equal number of acres of the land that I have left her during her life
the boundaries of which may be seen on the first claim of this will to my two sons James
C Harpser and Edward Harpser to them and their heirs and assigns forever with third
were only that James C Harpser is to have that part only which I now live on together
with the buildings where I now live and the orchard and the land to be divided as the said
James C Harpser and Edward Harpser may think proper or best so that James C is not
deprived of that part or portion of the land which he has already enjoyed
- Item I give to my daughter Susanna five hundred dollars cash to her and her heirs forever
- Item I give to my son William Harpser all the land that I now now possess with being on the
West side of the road leading from Jones' ferry to the Sandy ridge road and then straight
across the sandy ridge road along the line of that between to and to my wife and given to
James C and Edward Harpser to the dividing line between James Riddle and myself then
along the said dividing line a West Course to Richard Harpser then thence along said Riddle's line
a West Course to Leonard Collier then thence along Leonard Collier's line a N E Course to the
dividing line of the land belonging to the estate of William Harpser and my own land
then along the said dividing line an East Course to the piece of land that my wife formerly
gave her by a deed of gift then along said land an East Course to the road leading from
Jones' ferry to the Sandy ridge road then along the various courses of said road to the
sandy ridge road then across the sandy ridge road to the dividing line above
mentioned between
- self whom I her heirs and assigns forever