

I Richard Thomas of Montgomery County and State of Maryland, being weak in body, but of sound and disposing mind, do make and publish this my last will and testament, in manner and form following; that is to say.

Item, I will and bequeath all my male slaves that are above twenty one years old, and all my female slaves that are above eighteen years old to be and I do hereby make them absolutely free from and after the day of my decease, and all those that are under those ages to be free as they may come of age, that is, the males at the age of twenty one and the females at the age of eighteen years, their ages to be ascertained by my two sons Richard Thomas junr and William Thomas.

Item I give and bequeath to my two sons Richard Thomas junr and William Thomas all my real property of every kind that I have any right title or Interest in, to them and their heirs and assigns for ever.

Item, I give and bequeath to my aforesaid son William Thomas and his heirs and assigns all my household and Kitchen furniture, also the Wagon, team, and gear, and all the plantation utensils belonging to my home house and plantation.

Item, I give and bequeath all the residue of my personal Estate of every sort in the manner following, to Samuel Thomas junr, John Thomas 3, Sarah Thomas, Henrietta Thomas, Elizabeth Thomas and Mary Howard sons and daughter of my son Samuel Thomas (deceased) and to their heirs one seventh part thereof, and to my Daughter Elizabeth Johnson and to her heirs one other seventh part thereof, and to my son ~~Richard Thomas~~ and to his heirs one other seventh part thereof, and to my son ~~Richard Thomas~~ and to his heirs one other seventh part thereof.

and to Thomas Robertson and Sarah Robertson son and Daughter of my daughter Mary Robertson and to their heirs one other seventh part thereof, and to Sarah Gilpin, Elizabeth Gilpin, Ann Gilpin, Thomas Gilpin, Samuel Gilpin, Hannah Gilpin and Ledia Gilpin sons and daughter of my daughter Sarah Gilpin (deceased) and to their heirs one other seventh part thereof, and to Richard Brooke, John Thomas Brooke and Elizabeth Brooke sons and daughter of my daughter Margaret Brooke (deceased) and to their heirs one other seventh part thereof, and to my son William Thomas the other seventh part thereof and to his heirs.

And Lastly, I do hereby constitute and appoint my aforesaid two sons, Richard Thomas junr and William Thomas to be my sole executors of this my last will and testament, revoking and annulling all former wills by me heretofore made, ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last will & testament.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal, this twenty eighth day of the Eleventh month in the year one thousand eight hundred and six.

Signed, sealed, published and declared by the said Richard Thomas as his last will and testament

Richard Thomas

in the presence of us, who at his request, in his presence, and in the presence of each other, have subscribed our names as witnesses thereto

John Thomas

Joseph McPherson

John Sullivan

Montgomery County Ill.

On the 15th day of December 1806 then came John Thomas and Joseph Plummer two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within last Will and Testament of Richard Thomas late of Montgomery County Decedent and did solemnly Swear and truly declare and Affirm, that they did see the Testator herein named sign and seal this Will and that they heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of sound disposing mind Memory and understanding and that they Respectably subscribed their names to this Will as Witnesses in the presence and at the Request of the Testator and in the presence of each other, and also in the presence of John Julliam the other Subscribing Witness hereto —

At the same time came John Julliam the other Subscribing Witness to the within last Will and Testament of Richard Thomas late of said County decedent and made oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that he did see the Testator herein named sign and seal this Will and that he heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of his Apprehension of sound disposing mind memory and understanding and that he Respectably subscribed his name to this Will as Witness in the presence and at the Request of the Testator and also in the presence of John Thomas and Joseph P. Plummer the other Subscribing Witnesses hereto —

Witnessed by Saml. Turner Register