

Will of John Stephenson
Isle of Wight County, Virginia
written 24 February 1728/9
recorded 23 May 1737

"I John Stevenson of the Isle of Wight County in Virginia do make this my last will Testament in manner and form as followeth first I Recommend my Soul to Almighty God the maker and giver of it. Second my body to the Earth to be buried by my Executor hereafter names and ___ my worldly goods I give as followeth

Item I give to my Son **John Stephenson** five shillings curr money & no more

Item I give to my Son **Peter Stephenson** five shillings current money and no more

Item I give to my Son **William Stephenson** the parcel of Land that I bought of Edward Boykin being one hundred and four acres to him & his heirs forever

Item I give to my Son **Solomon** the plantation as I now live on it being one hundred and sixty two acres to him and his heirs forever

Item I give to my Son **George** fifteen hundred pounds of Tobacco out of my estate to be paid to him at the age of Eighteen.

Item I give to my Son **William** all my carpenter and wheelwright tools and cow and calf and my gun

Item I give to my Son **George** one cow and calf and one cross cut saw and one iron pott

Item I give to my Son **Solomon** one cow and calf my stillyards? and grind stone

Item I give to my daughter **Mary** one cow and calf two puter (pewter) dishes two puter plates one small chest one Doz of spoons

Item I give unto my daughter **Eliz.** one cow & calf two pewter dishes & two puter plates half doz of pewter spoons and one small chest

I give all the rest of my Estate to my wife **Katherine** during her widowhood but if she marry then that part to be equally divided between my wife and these five children **Mary William Elizabeth George & Solomon**

I do make and Nominate and appoint my loving wife **Catherine** to be my Execut. of this my last will and testament as witness my hand this 24th day of February 1728/9. To him his heirs forever Intertind?

Francis Exum K. Ward

John Stephenson (seal)

At a Court held for Isle Wight
County May 23, 1737

The last will & testament of John Stephenson dec'sed was presented in Court by Catherine Stephenson the Exectx therein namd who made oath thereto being provd by the Oaths of Francis Exum & Joseph Ward the witnesses there is admitted to record.

Test. James Baker ClCar?"

Transcription from a copy of the original made by Elizabeth "Lesa" Muir Pringle. I have tried to render the capitalization and spelling as it was in the original. Bold print was added.