

Will of Richard Tayloe I

In the name of God Amen. I Richard Tayloe of the County of Bertie and State of North Carolina, being of proper sense and memory do make and order this my last will and testament in manner following, I promise and bequeath my soul to Almighty God who gave it and my mortal body to the dust to be buried at the directions of my Executors hereafter mentioned.

I give and bequeath to my son ABRAHAM TAYLOE my riding beast saddle and bridle and one cow and calf to him and his heirs forever.

I give and bequeath to my daughter OLIVE the wife of JAMES PRUDEN her first choice of all the feather beds, furniture, _____ and one cow and calf to her and her heirs forever.

I give and bequeath to my son JAMES TAYLOE one Negro woman named Violet and one Negro boy named George, one Negro boy named Bow, one walnut table and all my wearing apparell to him and his heirs forever

I give and bequeath to my son DAVID TAYLOE my manner plantation with all the land _____ of likewise, one Negro woman named Moll and Negro girl named _____ to him and his heirs forever

I give and bequeath to my daughter TREASE the wife of THOMAS BOSWELL one negro girl named Bridget, one cow and calf to her and her heirs forever

I give and bequeath to my daughter RACHEL the wife of JAMES RICE, one negro girl named Barby to her and her heirs forever

I give and bequeath to my grandson WILLIAM PHILLIPS one cow and calf and one large pewter dish to him and his heirs forever

I give and bequeath the residue of my Estate not heretofore given in legacys to my son DAVID TAYLOE to him and his heirs forever

And lastly I constitute and appoint my friend WATKINS WILLIAM WYNNS and my son DAVID TAYLOE to be my Executors of this my last will and testament, this in the presence of God and these my evidences I do acknowledge publish and declare this to be my last will and testament as witness by my hand and seal this sixteenth day of June _____ one-thousand seven-hundred and eighty-six

Signed sealed and published and
Declared in the presence of

Richard Tayloe
David Pruden
William Tayloe

State of North Carolina

Bertie Co proven

The last will and testament of RICHARD TAYLOE was proved in due form of law by the oath of DAVID PRUDEN one of the subscribing witnesses and ordered to be recorded.....George Gray