

## David Witt Will 1818, Nelson Co, VA

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"1818 Will of David Witt of Nelson County, Virginia probated September 28, 1818.

In the name of God, Amen. I David Witt of Nelson County, state of VA, being weak in body but sound of mind and perfect memory, blessed be almighty God for the same, do make and publish this my last will and testament in the manner and form following that this is to say, First, I give and devise to my beloved wife, Sally Witt during her natural life all of my estate, both real and personal and such parts thereafter devised after her death to be delivered to such legatees as she at her own discretion may think proper both as to time and quantity. Item, after the death of my wife, Sally Witt, I give and devise to my oldest son, Dennett Witt, a Negro man named London and a Negro girl named Bett and her increase to him and his heirs forever. Item, After the death of my wife, Sally Witt, I give and devise to my first daughter Ann Sparks Fitzpatrick, a negro man Joe. Item after the death of my wife Sally Witt, I give and devise to my son Burgess Witt part of my tract of land adjoining the estate of Clough Shelton, Dec'd., William Wood and Littlebury Witt, Dec'd., giving the lower part and adjoining Clough Shelton dec'd to my son Burgess Witt and to be divided and directed by a designated line to said tract from a corner white oak on Turkey Mountain thence a direct line to a chestnut on William Wood's line, to him and his heirs forever. Item, after the death of my wife, Sally Witt, I give and devise to my son David Witt the remainder of my tract of land left my son Burgess Witt and part of the tract I now live on, to the main road leading from the estate of Joseph Roberts, Dec'd., to the estate of John Fitzpatrick, Dec'd., the orchard on the east side of the road except lately chopped at a persimmon tree excluding the treading yard, thence to a cherry tree and so on to a forked apple tree on the road. I also give to my son David Witt, a negro girl named Jenny with her increase to him and his heirs forever. Item, after the death of my wife, I give and devise to my son William Witt all the land I now possess south of the main road leading from the estate of Joseph Roberts, Dec'd., to the estate of John Fitzpatrick, Dec'd., also the lot and parcel of land being on the east side of the said land which is excepted on foregoing. Item, I also give to my son William Witt, a negro man named Dillard to him and his heirs forever. Item, after the death of my wife Sally Witt, I give to my daughter Celia Oglesby, one Negro man named Gilah. I also give to my granddaughters Nancy and Sarah Oglesby, daughters of my said daughter Celia Oglesby, a Negro child named Nully to be divided between them in such manner as they may think proper when they become of age or marry, which I bequest I give to them and their heirs forever. Item after the death of my wife, Sally Witt, I give and devise to my daughter Linny Wade, one negro girl named Elser and her increase to her and her heirs forever. Item, after the death of my wife, Sally Witt, I give and devise to my daughter Dice Hamlet, five pounds of Virginia currency to be paid out of my estate. Item, after the death of my wife, Sally Witt, I give and devise to my son Burgess Witt for the proper aid and benefit of my daughter Dice Hamlet, a Negro woman named Hannah to be disposed of and ordered as the said Burgess Witt, trustee in trust shall think most to benefit the said Dice Hamlet and I give and devise to the same trustee for the proper and benefit of my grandchildren, Sally, David, and Achilles (Archer) Hamlet, children of my Daughter Dice Hamlet, one negro girl named Delphia with increase to be divided among them when they become of age or marry in such a manner as they shall think proper, which bequest to them and their heirs forever. Item, after the death of my wife and all my just debts being paid, I will and devise that the remainder of my estate, that is to say, all my personal estate such as, horses, cattle and stock of all kinds, wagons, still and the utensils belonging there to be sold and the profit of the same be divided among my children whose names have been heretofore mentioned and who have no part of my land willed to them namely Dennett Witt, Ann Sparks Fitzpatrick, Celia Oglesby, Linny Wade and to Burgess Witt in trust for the proper use and benefit of my daughter Dice Hamlet (Dice is short for Candice, a French name), and lastly I appoint my loving wife Sally Witt, Executor of my Last Will and Testament and my sons Dennett Witt, Burgess Witt and David Witt, Executors of my Last Will and Testament and I do hereby revoke all and any other Will by me heretofore in any form and acknowledging this and the same to be my Last Will and Testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this the eighteenth day of January and in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixteen. Signed and Sealed in the presence of Moses Fitzpatrick, Josiah Bridgewater and Woodson P. Clark, David Witt. (Seal)

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