

Will of Richard Sanford Sr.

Westmoreland County, Virginia: Will and Deeds Book 13, pp. 251-253

In the name of God Amen. I Richard Sanford Senior of Westmoreland County being weak and sick of body but of perfect sence and sound memory thanks be to Almighty God ____ and calling to mind the uncertainty of this transitory life knowing that t is appointed for all men once to die, do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following Viz.

Imprimis I commit my soul into the hand of my beloved savior Jesus Christ hoping through his merits to obtain everlasting life & salvation and my body to the ground from whence it was taken to be decently buried according to the direction of the overseers of this my will hereafter named and of which goods it has pleased God to bless me with, I dispose of as followeth Viz.

I give and bequeath unto my loving wife Susanah Sanford all my whole estate of what kind so ever during her widowhood.

Item – I give and bequeath to my son Richard + + + + plantation whereon he now lives in Fairfax County containing + + + + him my said son Richard and his heirs + + + + + my two negros namely Cuffy and Moll and the said Moll's future increase to him my said son Richard and his heirs forever.

Item – I give and bequeath to my son Robert Sanford my two negros namely Jacob and Joan and the said Joan's future increase , only my will and desire is that the first child that the said Joan brings and lives to be two years old do give to my grand daughter Susannah Sanford daughter of my son Edward Sanford on fifteen pounds current money, the said negros I give to him my said son Robert and his heirs forever.

Item – I give and bequeath to my son Edward Sanford the Plantation whereon I now live in Westmoreland County the same containing two hundred acres more or less to him my said son Edward and his heirs forever.

Item – I also give and bequeath to my son Edward Sanford my two negros namely Whepster and Judea and the said Judea's future increase to him my said son Edward and his heirs forever.

Item – I give and bequeath to my daughter Frances Harrison fifteen pounds current money to be paid to her by my executors after this my will proved.

Item – I lend to my daughter Elizabeth Cox my negro girl named Jinny and her increase to her my said daughter Elizabeth if and during her natural life and after her decease my will and desire is that the said negro and her increase return to my three sons and their heirs forever.

Item – I give and bequeath to my daughter Ann Muse one thousand pounds of tobacco to be paid her by my executors after this my will proved. {Turn Over}

Item – I give and bequeath to my kinsman Augustine Sanford one Pistole to be paid to him by my executors after this my will proved.

Item – My will and desire is that my three negros namely Jango Tom, old Jenny, and little Tom shall be sold for money to discharge my just debts, If my executors think fit, otherwise they paying the said debts may dispose of the negros as they think most proper.

Item – I give and bequeath to my grand son Franklin Perry one shilling sterling which I allot to be in full part of his mother Susannah Perry deceased part of my whole estate.

Item – I give and bequeath to my grand son Richard Muse one shilling sterling which I allot to be in full part of his mother Mary Muse deceased part of my whole estate.

Item – I give and bequeath to my grand son Thomas Muse one shilling sterling which I allot to be in full part of his mother Sarah Muse deceased part of my whole estate.

Item – All the rest of my estate herein + + + + wise bequeathed I give and bequeath to my three sons + + + + equally between them.

Item – And lastly I do appoint and ordain my three sons Richard, Robert, and Edward whole and sole executors of this my last will and testament utterly renouncing and revoking all former wills, allowing this to be my last.

In conformation whereof I have hereunto sett my hand and affixed my seal this 25th day of July 1757.

Richard Sanford {seal}

Signed, sealed, and
declared in presence of us
{ The words daughter of my son Edward }
{ Sanford, was interlined before }
{ assigned }

John Sanford
Augustine Sanford
Katherine Sanford

Westmoreland

At a Court held for the said County
the 30th day of October, Anno Domi, 1759

This last will and testament of Richard Sanford deceased was presented into court by the executors therein named who made oath thereto and being duly proved by the oath the motion of the said executors and them performing what the law in such cases require certificate is granted them for obtaining a probate thereof in due form,

Teste
George Lee C. C. W.

Recorded the 2nd day of
November 1759

Per G. L. C. C. W

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- Richard Sanford [Sr]
 - Resident of Westmoreland County, VA
 - Died between 25 Jul 1757 and 30 Oct 1759
- Heirs
 - Wife Susannah
 - Son Richard
 - Son Robert
 - Son Edward
 - Daughter Frances Harrison
 - Daughter Elizabeth Cox
 - Daughter Ann Muse
 - Kinsman Augustine Sanford
 - Grandson Franklin Perry, son of daughter Susannah Perry deceased
 - Grandson Richard Muse, son of daughter Mary Muse deceased
 - Grandson Thomas Muse, son of daughter Sarah Muse deceased
- Others Mentioned
 -
- Land
 - Plantation in Fairfax County
 - 200 acres in Westmoreland County
- Witnesses
 - John Sanford
 - Augustine Sanford
 - Katherine Sanford
- Probate
 - 30 Oct 1759
 - Executors sons Richard, Robert, and Edward Sanford

Consent and assent, that the within Francis Settles
 Should pass Bids of Feoffment to George Gray which
 She does freely and without any threats or Persuasions
 Given Under Our hands this 25th day September 1759
 in the 20th Year of the Reign of Our Sovereign
 Lord King George the Second.

Wm Bayman
 James Blair

Westmoreland Set

At a Court held for the said
 County, the 25th day of September 1759
 The Commission for the Petty Examintation, of Sarah
 Settles wife of Francis Settles, for Relinquishing
 her right of dower and thirds of in & to Lands by her said
 husband sold to George Gray, being returned that she was
 thereof consenting, admitted to record

Recorded the 2^d day
 of October 1759

Test
 George Lee C. C. W.
 Per
 G. L. C. C. W.

In the name of God Amen I Richard Sanford
 Senior of Westmoreland County being weak and sick of Body
 but of perfect Sense and sound memory thank h to Almighty
 God for it and Calling to the uncertainty of this Transitory
 life knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die,
 do make and Ordain this my last Will and Testament
 in manner and form following Viz. I imprison I commit
 my Soul into the hands of my beloved Saviour Jesus
 Christ hoping through his Merits, to obtain Everlasting
 life & Salvation and my Body to the ground from whence
 it was taken to be decently buried according to the
 Discretion of the Overseers of this my Will, hereafter named
 and of what good it has pleased God to Bless me with,
 I dispose of as followeth, Viz. I give and bequeath unto
 my loving wife Surannah Sanford. all my whole Estate
 of what kind soever during her Widowhood, I then
 I give and bequeath to my Son Richard + + + +
 Plantation whereon he now lives in Fairfax County Cont
 aining + + + + + here my said son Richard and his heirs

Deceased Part of my whole Estate Them all the rest of my
 Estate herein, + + + + + Wise bequeathed I give and bequeath
 to my three Sons + + + + + equally between them
 Now and Lastly I do appoint my and Ordain my three
 Sons Richard, Robert and Edward whole and Sole Executors
 of this my last Will and Testament utterly renouncing and
 Revoking all former wills, allowing this to be my Last
 In Confirmation whereof I have hereunto Set my hand
 and affixed my Seal this 28th day of July 1759
 Signed Sealed and... Richard Sunford Seal
 Delivered in Presence of us

The said Daughter of my son Edward
 Sunford, was interlined before
 assigned

John Sunford
 Augustus Sunford
 Katherine Sunford

Westmoreland Sch

At a Court held for the said County the
 30th day of October Anno Domini 1759
 The Last will and Testament of Richard Sunford deceased
 was presented into Court by the Executors therein named.
 Who made oath, the same would being duly Proved by the Oaths
 of all the witnesses thereto is admitted to record, and upon
 the motion of the said Executors and their performing what
 the Law in such cases require Certificate is granted
 them, for obtaining a Probate thereof in due form,
 Recorded the 2nd day of
 November 1759

Teste
 George Lee. C. C. W.
 J. S. C. C. W.