

WILL OF BRYAN FANNIN

AMELIA COUNTY, VA - 18 FEB 1765

In the name of God, Amen, I Bryan Fannen of Amelia County, being weak in body yet in proper sence, considering that certainty of death, I recommend my soul to God's mercy and my Estate as followeth:

Item: I lend to my dearly beloved wife, Elizabeth Fannan the plantation where I now live & all my hogs & cattle & Household furniture during her widowhood or life & I give her my horse and saddle & bridle; and the land I have lent to my wife, after her time to Equally divided between my son Laughlin and my son Phillip; Beginning to divide at the Burchin where my line and nagoons (?) crosses & if either of them dies without heir, the other is to possess the whole & if both dies without heir, to my son Achilles Fannan, Laughlan's part to be joining the Burchin & Spring branch in the fork.

Item: I give to my son John Fannen all the land that lyes on the East side of my spring branch only about half an acre joining the spring, to keep it good not to sell until his brother's death nor swap.

Item: I leave all my land that lyes in the south side of the burchen to be sold by Executors to discharge my debts & if any left of the money the said land sells for, besides paying my debts, to be equally divided between my son Laughlin & my son Phillip and my daughter Judith; also after my wifes time, the hogs & cattle & household furniture to be equally divided amongst the same three children, Laughlin, Phillip & Judith. I leave to my children David, Mary, Bryan, Anny, Bety, Peggy and Frankey one shilling apiece.

Item: I do hereby make constitute & appoint my beloved wife Elizabeth Fannan & my son Achillis Fannan Executors of my last will & Testament intesta of all I have hereunto set Hand seal this 3 day of January, 1765.

Signed sealed in the presence of us :

Joshua Hightower
John Kirkland (his mark)
Thomas Hightower

Bryan B. F. Fannan (his mark)