

Will of Lawrence Anderson

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b. ca. 1747, Spotsylvania, VA - d. February 1781, Cumberland, VA
s/o James Anderson & Margaret Troggs

I, Lawrence Anderson, of Cumberland County, being in perfect health of body and enjoying perfect mind and memory, thanks be given unto God, calling to mind the mortality of my body and knowing it is appointed for me once to die, do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament.

First, and principally, I give and recommend my soul to God who gave it me, and my body I resign unto the earth, but as touching such worldly estate as it hath pleased God to bless me with, I give and dispose of the same in the following manner, Viz., I lend unto my beloved wife, Rhoda, all the estate I have a right to and the interest in during her natural life, and my desire is that my children be kept together and maintained and educated out of the profits of my estate according to the discretion of my Executors, and after the death of my wife, my desire is that all my estate, both real and personal, be sold to the highest bidder and the money thence arising equally divided among all my children, or their legal representative or representatives.

And if my Wife should prove pregnant and be delivered of a child, then my desire is that it shall have a proportional part with the rest of my children of everything of the value thereof to it and it's heirs forever. I appoint, nominate and ordain my brother, William Anderson and James Hudgeons, the Executors of this my last Will and Testament, and do hereby revoke, disannul and make void all other Wills thereunto made by me either verbal or written, and do acknowledge and declare this to be my last Will and Testament. In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal, this 23rd day of February 1781.

Lawrence Anderson – (L.S.)

Signed, sealed and acknowledged, in the presence of John Anderson, James Blanton, Drury Lacy.

This court held for Cumberland County, (Virginia), 28th May, 1781. This last Will and Testament of Lawrence Anderson, Dec'd., was exhibited in Court by William Anderson, and James Hudgens, Executors therein named and the same being proved by John Anderson and Drury Lacy, two of the witnesses thereto, is ordered to be recorded, and on the motion of the said executors, who made oath according to law, Certificate is granted them for obtaining a probate thereof in due form, giving security, whereupon they, with William Daniel and Jeffrey Robinson, their securities, entered into bond according to law.

Teste, G. Carrington, Clk.

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