

Loudoun County, Virginia

Will of Jonathan Edwards

(1741 - 1810)

Transcribed October 2003 by R Stoy

Names listed with relationship or function as indicated in the document
(surnames in parentheses are married names of females):

Sarah (Edwards), wife
Sim Hagur, female slave
James, male slave
Peter, male slave
Rebecca Edwards, daughter & executor
Joseph Edwards, son & executor
Sarah Edwards, daughter & executor
Edward Edwards, son
Stephen, slave
Jonathan Edwards, deceased son
Mary (Moran), daughter
John Myvert Moran, husband of Mary
Monarchy, female slave
Elizabeth (Lewis), daughter
John Lewis, husband of Elizabeth
Mary, female slave
John, negro boy
Charles Storm, witness
Thomas Casidy [Casady], witness
John Casidy [Casady], witness
Charles Stovin, security bond
Charles Lewis, security bond
C Binns, clerk of court

Transcribed from Loudoun County Will Book I, pg 230. The transcription is rendered as accurately as possible, including any misspellings, with the exception of the use of the script "f", which is transcribed as "s".

Jonathan Edwards died between 29 August 1808 (writing of will) and 9 Jul 1810 (proving of will).

In the Name of God Amen

I Jonathan Edwards Sen^r of the County of Loudoun and State of Virginia hereby make my last will and Testament in Manner and form following

That is to say ---

1st I desire all my just debts & funeral expenses may be immediately paid -

2^{ndly} After the Payment of my debts & funeral expenses, I give to my Wife Sarah Edwards the [?] Pond of the Plantation on which I now live together with all the following Negro Slaves To wit, Our female slave named Sim Hagur, our male Slave named James & one other male slave named Peter, for and during the term of her natural life & after her decease I give the same to my three youngest Children namely Rebecca Edwards Joseph Edwards & Sarah Edwards justly and equally to be divided amongst them and to be enjoyed by them and their heirs forever

3^{rdly} I give to my son Edwards Edwards one male negro Slave named Stephen to him and his heirs forever

4^{thly} I give to the heirs of my Deceased son Jonathan Edwards one male negro slave named Joseph to them and their heirs forever

5^{thly} I give to my Daughter Mary Moran wife of John Myvert Moran one negro female Slave named Monarchy together with all the increase she now has and hereafter my have to here and her heirs forever

6^{thly} I give to my Daughter Elizabeth Lewis wife of John Lewis one negro female Slave named Mary together with all her increase and negro boy slave named John to her and her heirs forever -

7^{thly} All the rest of my Estate both real and personal of what nature or kind soever it maybe, not herein before particularly dispersed of, I desire maybe equally divided amongst my three youngest Children, herein before named viz Rebecca Edwards Joseph Edwards & Saran Edwards, which I give to them their heirs Executors & assigns forever chargeable nevertheless with the further sum of twenty pounds of good and lawful money of Virginia to be paid as followeth, To wit, to my son Edward Edwards the sum of five pounds thereof of good and lawful money as aforesaid - To the heirs of my deceased Son Jonathan Edwards the like sum of five pounds of good and Lawful money as aforesaid & to be equally divided amongst them.

To my Daughter Mary Moran wife of John Myvert Moran the like sum of five pounds of good and Lawful money as aforesaid and to my Daughter Elizabeth Lewis wife of John Lewis the remaining sum of five pounds of good and lawful money as aforesaid making altogether the sum total of twenty pounds of good and Lawful money as aforesaid -

And lastly I do hereby Constitute & appoint my son Joseph Edwards and my Daughters Rebecca Edwards and Sarah Edwards Executor and Executrexes of this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all others or former wills & Testaments by me heretofore made.

In Witness hereof I have hereunto affix my Seal this twenty ninth day of August in the year one thousand eight hundred and eight

Signed, Sealed

published & declared

[signed] Jonathan Edwards

as & for the last Will &

Testament of the above

named Jonathan Edwards

Sen^r in presence of

Charles Storm

Thomas Casidy

John Casidy

At a Court held for Loudoun County on the 9th day of July 1810 This last Will and Testament of Jonathan Edwards Deceased was proved by the Oaths of Charles Stovin Thomas Casady and John Casady witnesses thereto and ordered to be Recorded & [?] Court held for said County on the 8th day of October in the year aforesaid on the motion of Joseph Edwards Ex^r and Rebecca Edwards one of the Ex^{xs} therein named who qualified according to law and together with Charles Lewis and Charles Stovin their securities entered into and acknowledged their Bond in the penalty of ten thousand dollars conditioned as the law directs Certificate is granted them for obtaining probate thereof in due form

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