

Will of Samuel Slade of Southampton County, Virginia

Source: Will Book #4, pages 389-390, Court Clerk, Southampton County, Virginia

Samuel Slade of the County of Southampton, being in my perfect senses and memory, think fit to make this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form as follows:

I lend unto my well beloved wife Mary Slade the Manner Plantation with the one half of the land belonging thereto and if my wife Mary Slade should die, then the plantation and the land above mentioned, to be held by my two sons William and Jethro until the twenty fifth day of December one thousand seven hundred and ninety three.

I give and bequeath unto my son Joshua Slade the remainder of my land and after the death of my wife Mary Slade, if she lives until the above mentioned date the of my land and if my wife Mary Slade should die before the date above mentioned, then after the year 1793, then all my lands returns to Joshua Slade, to him and his heirs and assigns forever, all the removable estate of all kinds whatever after payment of my debts I give unto my wife Mary Slade during her natural life and then to be equally divided between my seven youngest children. Also I appoint Samuel Slade my soul and soul executor to see this my Last Will and Testament proved and performed.

Whereunto I have set my hand and affixed my seal this the 21st Day of November in the year of our Lord 1789.

signed: Samuel Slade by his mark

and witnessed by
Henry Lane, William Slade and Jethro Slade