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October 24<sup>th</sup> 1799~

In the name of God Amen I Branch Osborne of the County of Amelia being weak and infirm in body but of sound mind and memory do make and order in this my last Will and Testament this 16<sup>th</sup> day of July 1799

Imprimis I give devise and bequeath unto my loving Abner Osborne all the Land that I have lying in the Counties of Amelia and Nottoway and fourteen slaves (to wit) Aaron and his wife Ursula and her children to wit Lively, Nancy, John Pitt Randolph and Nathan and Edmond the Shoemaker Brass Kell, Moses Wils. and Sally, the wads in the house all which I give to him and his heirs forever.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Niece Frances B. Jones the following slaves to wit Arthur and his wife Lillie, Nell and her children John, Nancy, Luce, Morris, Elizabeth, Polly and Fanny, and Jenny the Chambermaid and her son Russell which I give to her and her heirs forever.

Item I do further will and desire that all the rest and residue of my Estate not already disposed of shall be equally divided among the said Abner Osborne, the said Frances B. Jones my Nephew Edward, Scott and my Nephew Branch Osborne all which I give and bequeath to them and their heirs forever.

Item Whereas there was a suit brought by James Scott of the County of Prince Edward in the high Court of Chancery against the Executors of William Osbornes senior deceased for a considerable amount which suit should it be decreed in favour to the said Scott it is my further Will and desire

that

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that Abner Osborne Frances & James Edward Scott and Branch Osborne above mentioned shall out of what I have given them above pay each of them one fourth part of the amount of the said decree and costs should it unfortunately so happen as for the said James Scott to gain the said Suit

Item My will and desire is that there be no appraisement of my Estate And I constitute and appoint the said Abner Osborne Executor of this my last will and Testament: In WITNESS whereof I have herunto set my Hand and seal the day and year first above written Sealed published and declared by the above named Branch Osborne for and as his last Will and Testament

In the presence of us } Branch Osborne (seal)  
Larken Clay  
James Walker  
William Kelly

At a court held for Amelia County by the 24<sup>th</sup> day of October 1799. This last will and Testament of Branch Osborne doct was exhibited into court and proved by the oaths of the witnesses thereto subscribed sworn to by Abner Osborne the executor therein named and ordered to be recorded. And on the motion of the said Executor who entered into and acknowledged Bonds with Robert Marshall Pleasant Roberts Daniel Wilson Matthew Farley and Jos Osborne his securities in the penalty of fifty thousand dollars Certificate is granted him for obtaining a probat in due form

Teste James Townes, C. J.