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JAMES TALBOT - Last Will and Testament

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IN THE NAME OF GOD, AMEN...

I, James Talbot, of Tuckers Town in the Parish of Saint George in the Islands of Bermuda, Planter, do hereby revoke all former wills and other testamentary dispositions heretofore made by me, and do declare this to be my last will and testament.

FIRST: I do will and direct that all my just debts, funeral and testamentary charges be paid out of my estate as speedily as possible after my decease.

SECOND: I give and bequeath all my personal estate and effects whatsoever and wheresoever to my wife Joanna Talbot, also, I give and devise nineteen [19] acres of that part of my real estate on which my present residence stands, with the outbuildings, gardens, and appurtenances thereunto belonging, situate in Tucker's Town in the Parish of Saint George, together with the lot know as Castle lot and measuring fifteen [15] acres situate in the aforesaid town and parish: bounded northerly by the waters of Castle Harbor; Easterly by the waters dividing Castle island from my said lot; Southerly by the sea; and westerly by a wall, the same with the residue of my estate to hold to my said wife Joanna Talbot her heirs and assigns forever.

To my nine children I give and devise my real estate in the following manner, namely:

I first direct that a road twelve feet wide be made, extending northerly from the public road to such part or parts of my land as will give to my children ingress and egress.

Secondly, that each shall hold his or her portion as his or her land marks respectively shows numbering from three to eleven, i.e.: to Benjamin Darrell five acres, marked three; to John Samuel seven acres, marked four; to Henry Thomas thirteen acres, marked five; to Harrington Artemus Lesly thirteen acres, marked six; to Princess Jennings six acres marked seven; to Lydia six acres, marked marked [sic] eight; to Serenia Cordelia six acres, marked nine; to Catherine Virginia six acres, marked ten; to Julia Ann six acres, marked eleven, to hold to them my said nine children their heirs and assigns for ever.

Should any of my said children die without issue or intestate, in every such case the inheritance so left shall go to my wife Joanna Talbot absolutely; should my said wife die intestate, her real estate so left shall be equally shared and divided between my surviving children, and the heirs of my deceased children.

Third and lastly: I do here nominate and appoint Charles William Thomas SMITH and Samuel Paynter RICHARDSON to be my executors to this my last Will and Testament. In witness whereof I hereunto set my hand this twenty third day of February in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and ninety three.

JAMES his "X" mark TALBOT

Signed by the mark of (illegible) said James Talbot the Testator in the presence of us who in his presence and in the presence of each other at the same time subscribe our names as witnesses

William Charles TROTT

Charles Vidal Fitzgerald SMITH

Recorded 14th September, 1896
