

66 10 Sifters & 15 <sup>00</sup> Feathers -----	1	7
15 Bushels Peas & half Bushel Lentils -----	2	11
50 <sup>00</sup> Flour 3-15 <sup>00</sup> Tobacco Still 20 <sup>00</sup> -----	23	15
8 Pound Wool 16 @ Calf hides 6 -----	1	2

1 Negro Morning for which David Will  
 Claims a Right Value to } 50

In Obedience to an Order of Court Baring Date the  
 8<sup>th</sup> October 1781 We the Subscribers (Meeting and  
 being first Sworn have Appraised the Estate of  
 James Bennett Dec'd In Shria as above as

Witness our hands this 9<sup>th</sup> Novem: 1781  
 At a Court held for Louisa Co Va  
 on Monday y<sup>e</sup> 12 Day of Nov: 1781 This Inventory and appraisment was this  
 Day returned and by the Court Ordered to be  
 Recorded  
 Tush

Wm Phillips  
 Wm Lipscomb  
 Wm Hughes  
 Thos Graves

In The Name of God Amen  
 I John Byars of Louisa County of Sound mind and  
 Memory & Knowing that is Appointed for all Men  
 To die I do Make and Order this as my last will  
 & Testament First I Recommend my soul into



The hands of Almighty God that gave it & my  
Body to the Earth of which it is made and as touching  
such Worldly Estate where with it has pleas'd God to  
Bless me with I Give & Dispose of the same in the  
Following Manner First I lend to my beloved Wife  
my Estate both Real & personal During her life or  
Widowhood & Then to be Divided as Follows (to wit)  
Each of my Sons & Daughters (to wit) James  
Byars to have a Feather Bed & Furniture at the time  
he comes to the Age of Twenty one Year or (Marries then  
I Give to each of my Children hereafter named One  
Feather Bed & Furniture & Each of them a Saddle (to wit)  
John Fleming George William Sally Anna Annina  
& Betsey Byars & my Wife being with Child whether  
it is Son or Daughter to have a Bed & Furniture & so on  
- & if any of my Children above shall die before they  
come of age then his, her or their parts to be Equally  
Divided among the rest of their Brothers and  
Sisters & at the Death of my Wife my Will &  
Desire is that my Estate both Real and personal  
- shall be sold & Equally Divided among all my  
Children (to wit) James John Fleming George  
William Byars Mary Smith Sam Matthews  
Sally (Martha) Anna Annina & Betsey  
Byars & the son or Daughter my Wife is with  
Child with to have Equal part with the rest  
of my Children & I do Appoint Elizabeth Byars  
David Smith & Sherod Matthews my Executors  
of this my last Will and Testament In  
Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand  
& Seal this Day of June 1780 -

Signe Seal & Acknowledg<sup>d</sup> this  
my last will & Testament in  
Presence of

James Byars

Look up



Araron Fontaine  
Saml Cole  
Fleming Thomason  
John Lea  
Richard Thomason  
Chas Wingfield

At a Court held for Louisa County on Monday  
the 11<sup>th</sup> of July 1782 This Will was this Day  
Exhibited in Open Court by Elizabeth Byars  
the Executrix therein named who took the Oath  
of an Executrix and Entered into Bond according to Law  
and was proved by the Oaths of Araron Fontaine  
Richard Thomason and Fleming Thomason three  
of the Witnesses thereto and by the Court Ordered to be  
Recorded

Test





I NOW allow by these Presents that we  
Elizabeth Byars Currit (Minor Robert Fleming  
Dobbs, Nathan Smith are held and firmly bound unto  
Thomas Johnson Gent. the first Justice in the Commission  
of the Peace for Louisa County for and in behalf and to the  
Sole Use and behoof of the Justice of the said County and their  
Successors in the Sum of Three Thousand Pounds Current Money  
to be paid to the said Thomas Johnson his Exors, Admors or  
Assigns To the Which Payment well and truly to be made  
we bind ourselves and every of us our and every of our Heirs Exors  
and Admors, jointly and severally firmly by these presen  
= nts sealed with our Seals Dated the Eleventh Day of  
July Anno Domini 1782

The Condition of this Obligation is such that  
if the above Bound Elizabeth Byars, Currit of the last  
Will and Testament of John Byars Dec'd do make  
Cause to be made a true and perfect Inventory of all and  
singular the Goods Chattels and Estates of the said Dec'd which



have or shall come to the hands Possession or Knowledge  
of the<sup>d</sup> Elizabeth Byars or into the hands and  
Possession of any Other Person or Persons for her  
and the same so made do Exhibit into the County  
Court of Louisa at such time as she shall be there-  
unto Required by the s<sup>d</sup> Court and the same Goods  
Chattels and Credits and all Other the Goods Chattels  
and Credits of the s<sup>d</sup> Dec<sup>d</sup> which at any time after  
shall come to the hands Possession or Knowledge of  
the<sup>d</sup> Elizabeth Byars or into the hands and  
Possession of any Other Person or persons for  
her do Will and Truly Administer according to  
Law and Further do make a true and just account  
of her Actings and Doings therein when thereunto  
Required by the s<sup>d</sup> Court, and also shall Will and truly  
pay and Deliver all the Legacies Contained and  
Specified in the<sup>d</sup> Testament, as far as the<sup>d</sup> Goods,  
Chattels and Credits will Extend and the Law  
shall Charge Then This Obligation to be Void  
and of none Effect or Else to Remain in full force  
and Virtue

Sealed and Delivered  
in Presence of -

Elizabeth <sup>her</sup> Byars   
<sup>mark</sup>  
Gerritt Minor   
Robt Fleming   
Nathan Smith 

At a Court held for Louisa Cty on Monday  
the 11<sup>th</sup> of July 1782 This Bond was this Day  
in Open Court Acknowledged and by the  
Court Ordered to be Recorded

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