

Virgin Island)

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Tortola) In the name, of God. Amen. I The Honorable George Martin of the Island of Tortola Esquire, Do make, this my last and only Will and Testament in manner following; (that is to say) do hereby manumit and set free the following people at present my slaves, viz: A Mullatto Woman, named Bice and her three children Henry, Abraham and Catherine; also a Mullatto Woman called Jinny and her four children James, John, Charles and Shadrach; also a woman called Sally and her five children Maria, Penelope, Lewie, Melia and Bazey; also a Mulatto Woman called Nancy and her son Sam; also a Mullatto woman (a House Servant) called Betsey; also a Mullatto Girl called Hannah; also a Mullatto Boy called Robert son of a woman called Margo; also a Woman called Fanny Smith; also a Woman called Phibba Gordon; also a Woman at Breivers bay Estate called Big Margaret; also a yellow child called Thomas son of the Sick Nurse on Josa Hill Estate; also three Mullatto Boys named George, Richard and Daniel; also a Mullatto boy named Joe belonging to my Estate called Ross and also a Woman named Rachael Hyndman.

I do hereby give and devise to the Misses Lydia and Elizabeth Panyees and to the survivor of them the following three Negroes now remaining with them named Nanny, Looisa and Catherine. I give and devise to Miss Ann Mansfield during her life a Woman now remaining with her named Clarissa. I give and devise to Miss Mary Gittins for her life a Sambo Girl named Phobe now attending on her and a Negro Woman called Joan and her daughter Betsey now attending on Mrs. Ann Nicholson. I give and devise to my sister Mrs. Elizabeth Lisle for her life a Mullattoo Girl now attending on her called Fanny. I give and devise to Catherine a free black Woman (who takes care of my house in town) for her life a Negroe Woman named Patience now staying with her, and after her decease to remain with the Niece of the said Catherine (also called Catherine) during her life the said last mentioned six slaves to be, at the death of the persons whom they are appointed to serve returned to my estate. I give and bequeath to the fore said Mullatto Woman Bice as and for her absolute property the following Six Slaves, Andrea, A cooper, Vigo a House Boy, Margo and Margaret also House servants, a wash woman and a woman named Virginia Betty, I give and devise to the aforesaid Mullatto woman Jinny a woman named Gretia and a girl named Juddy for her absolute property. I direct that the house on the estate called Chalivills shall be for the use of the said Bice and the other female coloured people I have freed or such of them as she the said Bice may think proper to remain with her, I give devise and bequeath the rest residue and remainder of my property both Real and Personal in Tortola the other Virgin Island and elsewhere to my Natural Son Henry by the said Mullatto woman Bice to his heirs and Executors and Administrators Assigns respectively forever Subject to the -following Incumbrances and Bequests, I hereby direct my just Debts to be first paid off and discharged. I then give and bequeath the following legacies viz: To my said sister Mrs. Elizabeth Lisle the -sum of Two hundred Pounds current gold and silver money per annum to be paid to her during her life. I give and bequeath to Miss Mary Gittins the sum of One hundred and Sixty-five pounds current gold and Silver Money per Annum to be paid to her during her life. I give and bequeath to Miss Lydia Panyes during her Life the sum of Thirty three pounds current gold and Silver money per annum to miss Elizabeth Panyes during her life the sum of Thirty three pounds current gold and Silver Money per annum. I give and bequeath to Mrs. Ann Nicholson during her life the sum of Thirty nine pounds twelve Shillings current gold, and Silver Money per Annum to be paid to her monthly. I give and bequeath to the forenamed Mulatto Woman Bice during her life the sum of Two hundred

pounds current gold and Silver Money per Annum. I give and bequeath to the said Mulatto Woman Jinny during her Life the sum of One hundred and Sixty five pounds current gold and Silver money per annum. I give and bequeath to the said Mulatto Woman called Nancy during her life the sum of One hundred and thirty-two pounds current gold and silver money per annum. I give and bequeath to the said Mulatto Woman Beto a House servant during her life the sum of One hundred and thirty two pounds current gold and Silver Money per Annum. I give and bequeath to Nany Peats during her life the sum of Nineteen pounds sixteen shillings current and Silver money per Annum to be paid to her monthly in equal payment the said Legacies to commence and be paid within two months after my decease and so to continue quarterly on the same day of every year thereafter. And I do hereby direct that the sum of One hundred pounds sterling per annum be paid out of my aforesaid estate for the support and education of my Nephew Henry Lisle son of my said sister Elizabeth Lisle from the period afore mentioned. I do also direct that a sufficient sum of money be annually paid and applied for the purpose of Cloathing Maintaining and Educating my Natural Children by the said Bice, Jinny and Sally as also for Clothing Maintaining and Educating of Sam the son of Nancy, Robert the son of Margo and the Mulatto girl Hannah. I give and bequeath to my Nephew the said Henry Lisle the sum of One thousand pounds Sterling money current of Great Britain to be paid to him whenever he attains the Age of Twenty One years but should he die before that period then the said sum to go to the general stock for the benefit of the rest of my Heirs. I give and bequeath to my Natural Daughter Catherine by Bice the sum of Five thousand pounds Sterling Money aforesaid to be paid when she attains the age of Twenty One years. I give and bequeath to my natural son Abraham by the said Mullatto Woman Bice the like sum of Five thousand pounds Sterling to be paid to him when he attains the age of Twenty one years. I give and bequeath to my natural children by the said Jinny and Sally the Mulatto girl Hannah and the other boys Sam and Robert the sum of One thousand pounds sterling to each of them to be paid to them when they respectively attain the Age of Twenty one years — Provided always that should my natural son Henry by the said Mulatto woman Bice die before he attains the age of Twenty one years or without having left issue Lawfully begotten then I give devise and bequeath the rest residue and remainder of my aforesaid property Real and Personal to my natural Son Abraham by the said Bice and to his Heirs Executors administrators and assigns forever respectively and should the said Abraham also die before he attains the age of Twenty One years or without leaving issue lawfully begotten than I give devise and bequeath my aforesaid property Real and Personal to my Natural Daughter Catherine and to her heirs Executors Administrators and Assigns respectively forever but in case of the death of all my said Natural children by the said Bice before their having obtained the Age of Twenty One years or leaving issue lawfully begotten then I give devise and bequeath my aforesaid property Real and Personal to be equally divided between and among the Natural Children by the said Jinny and Sally and the Mulatto Girl Hannah and the two boys Sam and Robert aforesaid and to their Heirs Executors Administrators and Assigns respectively and to the Survivors and survivor of them share and share alike as Tenants in common and not as joint tenants. And lastly I do hereby appoint the Honorable Abraham Chalivill Hill and John Hanley Esquires Executors of this my last Will and Testament and Guardians of the property and Persons of my aforesaid Natural Children hereby revoking all and every other Will and Wills and Codicil or Codicils by me at any time heretofore made and declare this to be my last and only Will and Testament. In Witness Whereof I have to this my last Will and Testament subscribed my

hand and seal this Thirty first day of July in the year of Our Lord One thousand eight hundred and Sixteen.

GEO. MARTIN.

Signed, sealed published and)	Registers Office
declared by the said George)	Tortola. November 30th, 1818.
Martin as and for his last)	Recorded in Book Of Wills,
Will and Testament in. the)	245 246 & 247 and examined
presence of us, who, at his)	by
request and in his presence)	Wm. Gordon.
and in the presence of, each)	Register of Deeds.
other, have hereunto, set our)	
Names as Witnesses.)	

William N. Hinch
William M. Glove;.
William Sleaver.

Virgin Island.)	
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Tortola.)	Before the honorable Richard Hetherington, Esquire President of His Majesty's Council for said Islands and the Deputed Ordinary for the same.

Personally appeared William Henry Smith of the Island of Tortola Esquire one of the subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing writ ten Will and Testament who being duly sworn makes Oath that he was present with William Marquis Glover late of the said Island of Tortola Esquire deceased and William Sleaver late also of. the same Island Gentlemen and did see the Honorable George Martin late of the aforesaid Island of Tortola Esquire, deceased sign, seal, publish pronounce and declare the said foregoing paper Writing as and for his last Will and Testament and that the name "Geo. Martin" placed opposite the Seal thereto as also to the bottom of each of the three preceding Pages thereof is of the proper handwriting of the said Testator. And that the Names "William H. Smith", William M. Glover and Willm. Sleaver" to the attestation the said last Will and Testament is of the respective proper handwriting of the said William Marquis Glover, William Sleaver and of this deponent, And. the said deponent further says that at the time of the Testator making and executing the said foregoing Will he was of sound and disposing Mind, memory and understanding as he verily believes.

Sworn to before me this)	
	:	WM. H. SMITH.
twenty-fifth day of November 1818)	

R. HETHERINGTON

Filed November 25th. 1818.
W. Gordon.
Reg. of Deeds.

Virgin Islands)

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Tortola.) I Abraham Mendes Belisario, Notary Public duly admitted and sworn dwelling and practicing in the Road Town of Tortola aforesaid DO HEREBY CERTIFY AND ATTEST that the foregoing five pages of writing and half of the Sixth page contain a just and true copy of the last Will and Testament of Honorable George Martin Esquire late of Tortola deceased and of the probate and certificate of registry of said will having carefully examined and compared the said Copy with the original will Probate and Registry and found it correct. I DO ALSO CERTIFY that I am well acquainted with the handwriting of the Honorable Richard Hetherington Esquire and of the Council of these Islands, and Ordinary of the same and that the signature R. Hetherington to the original Affidavit of William Henry Smith whereof a copy is annexed is of the proper Hand writing of the said Richard Hetherington according to the best of my knowledge and my belief.

IN FAITH AND TESTIMONY HEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Notorial Seal of Office at Tortola the twenty-fifth day of May in the year of Our Lord One thousand eight hundred and nineteen.

A. M. BELISARIO.

Notary Public.