

Virginia Wills and Probate Records, 1652-1983

In the Name of God Amen I Thomas Crippen of the County of Accomack in the Colony of Virginia being sick and weak in Body but of sound mind & memory blessed be God for the Same but Considering the uncertainty of this life do therefore make this my last will and Testament in manner and form following (viz) I recommend my Soul to God who gave it hoping through the merits of my blessed saviour Jesus Christ to receive free pardon for all my sins & a place among the Elect in endless happiness & for what worldly goods the Lord in his mercy hath bestowed on me I Give & bequeath as followeth.

I Give & bequeath to my son Paul Crippen three hundred & fifty Acres of Land whereon I now live beginning at the old house Branch running the whole breadth of my Land from S^d Branch to the Lands of William White and Thomas Evans including my Plantation I now live on to him & his heirs male lawfully begotten of his Body & for want of Such heir I give the said Land to my Son William Crippen and his heirs for Ever.

I Give & bequeath to my two Grandsons John Crippen son of Tho^s and Elizabeth Crippen & Thomas Crippen Son of the afores^d Tho^s and Elizabeth Crippen two hundred Acres of Land lying and being on the Seaboard Side of Ambrocomoco begining on the mouth of S^d Creek & so up to the old house Branch & then a paralel line wth the sea Side from the old house Branch to the Land of William Whites be the Same more or less which said Land I Give & bequeath to my two Grandsons afores^d John & Thomas Crippen to be Equally Divided between my two Said Grandsons and my will is that John Shall have that part & moiety

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where his Father Thomas Crippen did live & that Thomas Crippen Enjoy and have that part
and Meety adjoining to Ambrocomoco Creek my meaning is that the Division run between
my two Grandsons afores^d Shall be from the Sea side to the Line from the old house Branch
to William Whites Land which said Land I Give & bequeath to my two Grandsons afores^d
to them and their heirs Male lawfully begotten of their bodies & if either of my Said
Grandsons afores^d Should Dye without Such Issue that then the Survivour and heir afores^d
enjoy the said two hundred Acres afores^d & for want of Such heir or heirs then my will
is that my Son William Crippen enjoy the Said two hundred Acres of Land & his heirs for
Ever.

I Give & bequeath to my two Grandsons Robert Crippen Son of Thomas and Elizabeth Crippen
and my Grandson Bennet Son of Tho^s & Elizabeth Bennett all the remainder of my Lands
lying & being on the head Line being two hundred & Ninety Eight Acres to be equally
Divided between my s^d two Grandsons & my will is that Robert Crippen Enjoy and have
that part adjoining to my Son Paul Crippen and that my Grandson Thomas Bennett Enjoy
& have that part being and lying on the head line which s^d Land I give to my Said

Grandsons & their heirs for ever in the Same manner & form afores^d my will farther is
that my Son Paul Crippen give and bestow on my Grandson Thomas Bennett two years School-
ing to the best advantage to my said Grandson.

I give to Margaret Crippen the de^d & now live on wth all appurtenances thereunto belonging
my will is that my whole Estate remain and be in the possession of my Son Paul Crippen
four years after my decease my will also is that the remaining part of my Estate of
what kind soever which is not before given & give & bequeath to my Son Paul & his heirs
for ever. I constitute and appoint my Son Paul Crippen to be my whole and Sole
Executor to see this my last will and Testament duly performed according to the true
intent & meaning thereof In Witness whereof I have hereunto Sett my hand & Seal this

Seventeenth Day of December 1730

Thomas Crippen (//)

Signed Sealed published & declared

In presence of

Test. Rion^d Drumond

William White

John Cooke

At a Court held for Accomack County the 5th day
of February 1734.

The within last will & Testament of Tho^s Crippen
de^d was proved in open Court by the Oaths of W^m
White & Jn^o Cooke two of the Witnesses to the

same & admitted to record, & the heir at Law of the s^d Tho^s Crippen de^d came into Court
and consented to the probate of the said Will

Test:

Jn^o Jackson Cl: Cur.

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