

Amherst Co. Va, Will Book 5, page 657-9

In the name of God Amen I John TINSLEY of Amherst County and State of Virginia being sound in mind and memory Calling to mind the uncertainty of human life and being desirous to dispose of such worldly estate as it has pleased God to bless me with I do give and bequeath the same in the following manner to Wit.

In the first place I wish my just debts to be paid. I wish my Negro Man Edmund to be sold as soon as may be convenient after my decease and the money to be equally divided among the five children of my deceased daughter Frances Harrison namely Polly, Sally, John, Charles, and Nancy HARRIS and their respective parts of the said money to be paid to them by my executor, hereinafter mentioned, as soon as they respectively arrive to lawful age. To my Granddaughter Sally HARRISON I give and bequeath one Negro Girl Betsy aged at this time about five years with her future increase to be enjoyed by her the said Sally HARRISON and the heirs of her body former but in case she Should die with out any such heir She Said Nergo girl and her future increase

to be divided as a part of my personal estate hereinafter mentioned. I wish my tract of land whereon I now live to be sold, and the money to be payable in three payments the time of which payments to be at the discretion of my executor, and the money for which it is sold to be equally divided amongst my Son Edward TINSLEY, my Daughter Elizabeth WEST, my Son Anthony G. TINSLEY, my Daughter Sally SLEDD, my Son Robert TINSLEY, my Daughter Lucy FOWLER and my Son Oliver TINSLEY to be paid to them or their heirs severally be my executor hereintafter mentioned my son James TINSLEY, my deceased daughter Francis HARRISON and my Son Lindsey TINSLEY having received their proportionable benefit of the land I give to the said James TINSLEY the heirs of said Frances HARRISON ;and to my son Lindsey TINSLEY no part of the money arising from the sale thereof after taking out the out the[sic] Negro man Edmund bequeathed

above to the heirs of my daughter Frances HARRISON and the girl Betsy and her increase given as as [sic] Mentioned above to Sally HARRISON, I give and bequeath the ballance of my Slaves and all my other property of every discreption the negro Girl named Lucy which I have lent to my son Oliver TINSLEY included to my son James TINSLEY my son Edward TINSLEY, my Daughter Elizabeth WEST, the five children of my daughter Francis, Polly, Sally, John, Charles, and Nancy HARRISON, the said five children to be entitled to one shar and that to be equally amongst them, my Son Anthony G. TINSLEY my daughter Sally SLEDD, my Son Robert TINSLEY, my son Lindsey TINSLEY, my daughter Lucy FOWLER, and my Son Oliver TINSLEY to be equally divided amongst them and to be enjoyed by them and their lawful heirs forever provided that the part of said five Children of Frances HARRISON Polly, Sally, John, Charles and Nancy HARRISON Shall be during their minority under the sole Management of my executor and their respective parts shall be by him paid to them as soon as they shall respectively become of lawful age And lastly I do constitute and appoint my son Robert TINSLEY the Executor of this my executor and their respective parts shall be by him paid to them as soon as they shall respectively become of lawful age And lastly I do constitute and appoint my so Robert TINSLEY the Executor of this my last will and testament hereby

revoking all other former wills heretofore by me made In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused my seal to affixed, this fifth day of May in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixteen John X TINSLEY(his mark)

Signed, sealed, acknowledged and declared to be the last will and Testament of the said John TINSLEY in the presence of us who in his presence have hereunto subscribed out names

R. TINSLEY

Edward TINSLEY Jr

David TINSLEY Senr

John HUNTER

James DUNNJames DUNN

[---] Court here for the County of Amherst the 21st day of July 1817 This last Will and Testament of John TINSLEY, deceased Was this day produced into Court and [pronened] by the Oaths of R. TINSLEY, Edward TINSLEY and David TINSLEY three subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded and Robert TINSLEY the Executor named in said Will personally appeared in Court qualified and entered into and acknowledged a bond in the sum of \$20000 with Reuben PENDLETON, David TINSLEY, George TINSLEY his securities conditioned as the law directs certificate is granted him for obtaining probate thereof in due form

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The receipts and disbursements of the John TINSLEY estate were recorded 18 Aug 1823.

Payments by the estate totalled \$4035.215

The estate's value totalled \$10,971.87, which included: 11 slaves, 5028 pounds of tobacco, 85 bushels of wheat, and 356 acres of land. Each heir received a slave.