

# Will of John Ogden

Bedford County, Virginia: Will Book 20, pp 383-384

In the name of God, I John Ogden of the County of Bedford and State of Virginia considering the great uncertainty of life and being of sound mind and memory do make and ordain this as my last will and testament hereby revoking all others heretofore made by me.

Item 1<sup>st</sup>. I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Sarah during her natural life the following property both real and personal. To wit: Three hundred acres of land including my present mansion house to be laid off by commencing on the River and running back for quantity also four slave two men and two women to be chosen by herself also two horse, two cows, one yoke of oxen & cart and as many hogs as she may want all of which stock to be selected by herself together with all the household and kitchen furniture she may want and one hundred dollars in cash.

Item 2<sup>nd</sup>. To my sons Armistead & Walker Ogden I give my tract of land lying in the county of Amherst near Pedlar Mills on which they now live to be equally divided between them so as each one to hold his present houses.

Item 3<sup>rd</sup>. To my son James I give my tract of land lying in Amherst County on Indian Creek on which he now lives to be enjoyed by him and his wife as long as both or either of them shall live provided my son James wife remain his widow, otherwise return to my estate.

Item 4<sup>th</sup>. I give to my daughter Louisa Reynolds my tract of land lying in the County of Botetourt and adjoining the lands of Dobson Reynolds and others, after her death to the heirs of her body.

Item 5<sup>th</sup>. I give to the heirs of my daughter Emily Reynolds a tract of land known by the name of Grigets Hollow during their natural life after that to the heirs of their body and the remainder of my estate to which they may be entitled.

Item 6<sup>th</sup>. I give to my daughter Sarah Ann Reynolds my tract of land lying in the County of Bedford adjoining Grigets Hollow of B. Reynolds and others during her natural life after that to the heirs of her body also the balance of my estate to which she may be entitled.

Item 7<sup>th</sup>. I will to the heirs of my daughter Jane Ray that is her children an equal portion of my estate I give to my daughter Jane Ray.

Item 8<sup>th</sup>. I give to my son William my tract of land lying in the County of Bedford adjoining the lands of Hiram Cheatwood and others.

Item 9<sup>th</sup>. I also will to my daughter Harriet Mathews an equal portion of my estate to be enjoyed by them as long as one or both shall live if they die without an heir it shall return to my estate.

Item 10<sup>th</sup>. All the rest and residue of my estate of every kind and description whether real personal or otherwise after the payment of debts funeral expenses &c it is my will and desire shall be equally divided among all my children if living, if not to the heirs of their bodies each descendant or heir of any of my children his or her portion of their parents portion of my estate given them in this will or any advancement made or heretofore charged by me to any of my children shall be a part or portion of my estate.

I do hereby constitute and appoint my sons Armistead & William Ogden the executors of this my last will and testament. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this the 3<sup>rd</sup> day April one thousand eight hundred and fifty seven.

John Ogden {seal}

Signed sealed and acknowledged to be his last will and  
Testament in the presence of Lewis C. Arthur  
R. G. Turpin

At a monthly Court begun and held for Bedford County at the Courthouse on Monday the 26<sup>th</sup> day of March in the year One Thousand Eight Hundred and sixty six in the 90<sup>th</sup> year of the Commonwealth. This last will and testament of John Ogden deceased was produced in Court proved according to law by the oaths of Lewis C. Arthur and Roland G. Turpin the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded. And on the motion of Armistead H. Ogden and William Ogden the executors named in said will, who made oath thereto and with Lewis C. Arthur their security entered into and acknowledged a bond in the penalty of Eight Thousand Dollars conditioned according to law. Certificates were granted them to obtain a probate of said will in due form, and it was ordered that said bond be recorded.

Teste

A. A. Arthur C.B.C

# *Genealogical Analysis*

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- John Ogden
  - Resident of Bedford County, VA on 3 Apr 1857
  - Died before 26 Mar 1866
- Spouse
  - Wife Sarah was living on 3 Apr 1857
- Children
  - Son Armistead
    - Given land and living in Amherst County near Pedlar Mills on 3 Apr 1857
    - Executor of will
  - Son Walker
    - Given land and living in Amherst County near Pedlar Mills on 3 Apr 1857
  - Son James
    - Given land and living in Amherst County near Indian Creek on 3 Apr 1857
    - Married
  - Daughter Louisa
    - Married a Reynolds
    - Given land in Botetourt County adjoining Dobson Reynolds
  - Daughter Emily
    - Deceased before 3 Apr 1857
    - Married a Reynolds
    - Has children (heirs)
    - Heirs given land in Bedford County
  - Daughter Sarah Ann
    - Married a Reynolds
    - Given land in Bedford County adjoining B. Reynolds
    - Has children (heirs)
  - Daughter Jane
    - Deceased before 3 Apr 1857
    - Married a Ray
    - Has children
  - Son William
    - Given land in Bedford County adjoining Hiram Cheatwood
    - Executor of will
  - Daughter Harriet
    - Married a Mathews

Sarah Harris

1000 Acres

15 00

" "

30 Bbls of Corn \$4.00

120 00

" "

Lot of Short Linn

4 00

1720 05

D. P. Harris Administrator (with  
the will annexed of W<sup>m</sup> Harris Deceased.

In the Clerk's Office of Bedford County Court. 13 March 1866.

This List of Sales of the Personal estate of William Harris Deceased was produced in said Office and admitted to record.

Teste

Richard Arthur Clerk

In the name of God I John Ogden of the County of Bedford and State of Virginia, considering the great uncertainty of life, and being of sound mind and memory do make and Ordain this as my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all others heretofore made by me.

Item 1<sup>st</sup> I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Sarah during her natural life the following property both real and personal to wit: Three Hundred acres of land including my present Manors house to be laid off by commencing on the River and running back for quantity also Four slaves, two men and two women to be chosen by herself, also two horses, two cows, One flock of sheep & least and as many Dogs as she may want all of which she is to be selected by herself together with all the Household and Kitchen furniture she may want and One Hundred Dollars in cash.

Item 2<sup>nd</sup> To my son Amistead & Walter Ogden I give my tract of land lying in the County of Amherst near Dollar Mills on which they now live to be equally divided between them so as each one to hold his present Manors.

Item 3<sup>rd</sup> To my son James I give my tract of land lying in Amherst County on Indian Creek on which he now lives to be enjoyed by him and his wife as long as both or either of them shall live provided my son James wife remain his widow, otherwise to return to my estate.

Item 4 I give to my daughter Louisa Reynolds my tract of land lying in the County of Botetourt and adjoining the lands of Dobson Reynolds and others after her death to the heirs of her body.

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Item 6<sup>th</sup> I give to my daughter Sarah Ann Reynolds my tract of land lying in the County of Bedford adjoining Grigets hollow N. B. Reynolds and others during her natural life after that to the heirs of her body also the balance of my estate to which she may be entitled.

Item 7<sup>th</sup> I will to the heirs of my daughter Jane Ray that is her children and equal portions of my estate I give to my daughter Jane Ray.

Item 8<sup>th</sup> I give to my son William my tract of land lying in the County of Bedford adjoining the lands of Miram & Heatwood and others.

Item 9<sup>th</sup> I also will to my daughter Mariet Mathews an equal portion of my estate to be enjoyed by them as long as one or both shall live if they die without an heir it shall return to my estate.

Item 10<sup>th</sup> All the rest and residue of my estate of every kind and description whether real personal or otherwise after the payment of debts funeral expenses &c it is my will and desire shall be equally divided among all my children if living, if not to the heirs of their bodies each decendant or heir of any of my children his or her portion of their parents portion of my estate given them in this will or any advancement made or heretofore charged by me to any of my Children shall be a part or portion of my estate.

I do hereby constitute and appoint my sons Armistead & William Ogden the executors of this my last will and Testament. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April one thousand eight hundred and fifty seven.

John Ogden

Signed sealed and acknowledged to be his last will and Testament in the presence of Lewis S. Arthur

R. G. Turpin

At a monthly court begun and held for Bedford County, at the Court house on Monday the 26 day of March in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty six in the 90<sup>th</sup> year of the Commonwealth. This last will and Testament of John Ogden deceased was produced in court proved according to law by the oath of Lewis S. Arthur and Roland J. Turpin the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded. And on the motion of Armistead W. Ogden and William Ogden the executors named in said Will, who made oath thereto and with Lewis S. Arthur their security entered into and acknowledged a bond in the penalty of Eight Thousand Dollars conditioned according to law. Certificate was granted them to obtain a probate of said Will in due form, and it was ordered that said bond be recorded.

Lewis S. Arthur

Exd

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Bowles S. Est  
Wt 1/2 of 6  
Lime land

Heirs of Irvine S. Bowles Dec<sup>d</sup>

In aid Daniel S. Jones Com

Year	Month	Day	Description		
1863	June	26	To Commissions on \$ 4905 at 5 per ct for \$ 245 & 2 per ct for balance	1	165 10
			" Amt J. A. Wharton fee w <sup>d</sup>	2	20 00
			" Cash paid F. M. Hawkins	3	3 00
			" Cash paid Mrs Mary Bowles to make up her dower	4	650 00
			" Cash paid Confederates Land	5	77 25
1864	Jan	1	" Commissioner	6	10 00
			Bob		
					6877 65
					7803 00
1863	June	26	By Cash for sale of Slaves viz Blackman		2025 00
			George		2000 00
			Burwell		1700 00
			Clary		1880 00
			Lucy		200 00
					7803 00
1864	Jan	1	By Bal due Heirs		6877 65

I certify that having advertised the same according to law I have settled the account current of the Heirs of Irvine S. Bowles Dec<sup>d</sup> with sd Daniel S. Jones Com as above.

J. S. Wharton Esq  
March 1864

At a monthly court begun and held for Bedford County, at the Court house on Monday the 26<sup>th</sup> day of March 1866 in the 90<sup>th</sup> year of the Commonwealth.

This settlement of the accounts of Daniel S. Jones Commissioner with the heirs of Irvine S. Bowles deceased having lain in the Clerk's Office of this Court more than one month, was produced in Court and no exception having been taken thereto, it was examined confirmed and ordered to be recorded.

Lewis S. Arthur

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