

Gloucester County, New Jersey

Will of William Rudderow

(1738 - 1808)

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Names listed with relationship or function as indicated in the document (surnames in parentheses are married names of females):

Thomas Rudderow, son and executor

William Rudderow, son

Humphrey Rudderow, son

Abigail (Ashburner), daughter

Elizabeth (Day), daughter

Mary Oslar, granddaughter

Abigail Oslar, granddaughter

Spicer Rudderow, son

Jacob Rudderow, son

John Rudderow, son and executor

Thom^s Spicer, grandfather of John

Owen Osler, witness

John Baxter, witness

Deliverance Willets, witness

Jas Matlack, surrogate

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William Rudderow's

Will

1808

filed 22 Nov^m 1808

died 9th Nov^m 1808

Recorded

In the Name of God Amen I William Rudderow of the Township of Waterford & Couty of Gloucester in the State of New Jersey Yeoman, being in health of Body and of sound memory thanks be to God, do make & Constitute this my last Will & Testament, hereby revoking and making null and void all former and other Wills, Wills Testaments, Testaments by me heretofore made and do declare this to be my

last Will and Testament, recommending my Soul to God, and appointing my Body to be decently buried at the discretion of my Executors after named, Item I give and Bequath unto my Son Thomas Rudderow and to his Heirs & assigns forever one half of my Lands lying in Burlington County Chester Township bounding, in the forks of Pensauking Creek, that is to say the lower part on which he now dwels with all Buildings and improvements thereon & belonging thereto be it more less, his part of Lands to run up the branch of the Creek to a stream appointed for a division line between him and his Brother William from thence along the s^d stream through the meadow and cleared Lands, woodlands according to the several courses metioned in his Survay the Lands being already divided, it is further my Will that my Son Thomas pay to my Son Humphrey Rudderow the sum of two Hundred Pounds, one hundred to be paid to him in one Year after my decease & the other hundred in two years after my decease, I do also order my Son Thomas to pay unto my two Daughtors Abigail Ashburner and Elizabeth Day the sum of twenty Pounds to to each of them, I likewise do appoint my Son Thomas to pay unto my two granddaughters Mary Oslar & Abigail Oslar to each of them ten Pounds when they arrive to the age of Eighteen Years, Item I give and bequath unto my Son William Rudderow & to his Heirs and Assigns forever the other half of my Lands as abovesaid on which he now dwells with all the buildings and improvements thereon and belonging thereto beginning at the devision line with his Brother as aforesaid and from thence the different courses according to his Survay be the Same more of less, it is further my Will and I do appoint my Son William to pay unto my two Sons Spicer Rudderow & Jacob Rudderow two Hundred Pounds a piece, one Hundred pounds to each of them in one Year after my decease & the other Hundred to each of them two Years after my decease, Item I give & bequeath unto my Son John Rudderow the sum of teen Pounds to be paid to him out of my moveable Estate likewise the Plantation whereon I now dwell after the decease of me and my Wife it being left to him by his grandfather Thom^s Spicers Will, Itum I give & bequath unto my true and wellbeloved Wife after my funaral Charges & Just depts are paid all the remainder of my moveable effects to her own proper use, Item I do nominate constatute and appoint my true and wellbeloved Sons John Rudderow & Thomas Rudderow Executors of this my last Will & Testament in testimony whereof I have here unto set my hand and affixed my Seal the Seventh Day of January Anno Dom^e 1804

witness present

[signed]	Owen Oslar		
[signed]	John Baxter	[signed]	William Rudderow
[signed]	Deliverance Willets		

John Baxter one of the witnesses to the within Will being duly affirmed according to Law Saith that he saw William Rudderow the Testator therein named sign and seal the Same & heard him publish pronounce & declare the within writing to be his last Will and Testament and at the doing thereof the said Testator was of sound and disposing mind and memory as far as this affirmant knows and as he verily believes, that Owen Oslar and Deliverance Willets the other Subscribing ?? were present at the same time and signed their names ?? witnesses to the said together with this affirmant in the presence of the Testator

Aff^d Nov^m 22nd 1808

Before me		[signed]	John Baxter
[signed]	Jas Matlack Surr.		

John Rudderow and Thomas Rudderow the Executors within named being duly sworn and affirmed according to Law saith that the within Instrument ~~Instrument~~ contains the true last Will and Testament of William Rudderow the Testator therein named so far as they know and as they verily believe, that will well & truly perform the Same by paying first the debts of the said ?? and then the legacies in the said Testament specified, so far as the goods, chattels, rights & credits of the said dec^d can there unto extend, & that they will make & exhibit into the Surrogates Office in Woodbury a true & perfect Inventory of all & singular the goods & chattels rights & credits of the said deceased which have or shall come to their knowledge or possession or to the possession of any other person for their use & render a just & true account when thereunto ?? required

Aff^d the 22nd Novm 1808

[signed]

John Rudderow

Before me [signed] Jas Matlack surr:

[signed]

Thomas Rudderow