

# Will of William Aikenhead 1760

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Jamaica Silicit. In the Name of God Amen **William Aikenhead of the Parish of St Thomas in the Vale** Gentleman being of Sound Mind and Memory Do make this my last Will and Testament in Manner following [illegible] I order all my Just Debts to be Satisfyed and Discharged Item I do Give and Bequeath unto my **Eldest Daur Elizabeth Aikenhead now the Wife of Gilbert Ford Esqr** the Sum of fifty pounds this Currency to Buy her Mourning Item I give unto my **Second Daur Margret Helen Aikenhead** the Sum of Fifteen hundred Pounds this Currency which with five Hundred pounds left her by Mr **John McMillan** will make her fortune Two Thousand Pounds to be paid to her when she Demand the same & untill the said Sum of Two Thousand Pounds is Demanded by & paid to my said Daur Margret Aikenhead my Will is & I do hereby Order & Ordain that she my said Second Daur Margret Helen Aikenhead be paid Annually the Sum of One hundred & Sixty pounds Current money of Jamaica untill she Demands & is paid the above said Legacys of fifteen hundred pounds & five hundred pounds Item I further Give & Bequeath unto my Second Daur Margret Helen Aikenhead the Sum of fifty Pounds to Buy her Mourning Item I give and Bequeath unto **my Nephew John Aikenhead** the Sum of One hundred Pounds this Currency Item I give unto my **Niece Mary Aikenhead** the Sum of One hundred Pounds this Currency Item I give unto my **Sister in Law Mary Reid Widow** the Sum of fifty pounds Item I give and Bequeath unto a **free Mulattoe Man Named Johnny** whom I formerly Manumitted the Sum of Ten pounds to be paid him annually during his Natural Life The Rest and Residue of my Estate both Real and Personall Wheresoever I Give Devise and Bequeath unto **my Son John Lawrence Aikenhead** & his heirs for ever Whereas I am Seized for my Life in Right of my late deceased Wife of and in two Negroe Women Slaves Named Hagar & Delia & of one Negroe Child Named Bessy the Daur of Delia which after my decease in Course of Inheritance will desend to my son John Lawrence Aikenhead & Whereas my said Wife by her Written Request to me in her last illness having desired that she the said Woman & Child should be assured

and Given unto are daughters Margrat Helen Aikenhead & Milborough Harvie after my Decease in manner as is hereafter mentioned I therefore will & Direct my said Son John Lawrence Aikenhead as Soon as Conveniently can be done after my decease by Deed of Gift or otherwise Assure & Convey all his Right and Title of & in the said Negro Woman Named Hagar & the said Negro child Named Bessy unto my said Daur Margrat Helen Aikenhead & her heirs & Assigns as also to convey all his Right of title of & in the said Negro Woman Named Delia unto my said Daur Milborough Harvie her heirs & Assigns & in case my said Son shall Neglect or Refuse to make such Assurances & Conveyances therein that Case I give and Bequeath unto my daughter Margrat Helen Aikenhead the Sum of Two hundred pounds & unto my Daur Milborough Harvie the like Sum of Two hundred pounds in lieu of the said Negroe Slaves Which Several Sums I will & Direct to be paid to them by my Exors out of the Legacies & Benefits Intended by this my will to my sd son John Lawrence Aikenhead I do hereby declare that in case any of my Exors shall happen to be in my Debt at the time of my Decease that in such case my Nameing and Appointing of them my Exors

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