

The Last Will & Testament of
Rachel Bogardus

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In the Name of God Amen I Rachel
Bogardus of the Town of Kingston in the County of Ulster and
State of New York Widow being Weak, Infirm and Sick of
Body, but of Sound and disposing, Mind, Memory and
understanding (blessed be God therefore) Do this second Day
of October in the Year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred
and eighty one, make this my last Will and Testament in
manner following (that is to say)

First it is my Will that my Executors hereinafter named
pay and Discharge all my just Debts and funeral Charges—
within a reasonable Time after my Decease.

Secondly I give and bequeath unto my Eldest Daughter
Helena and to her Heirs and Assigns two hundred Pounds
of good and lawful Money of the State of New York to be—
paid to her by my Executors hereinafter named after my
Decease, and I thereby make my Estate chargeable with the
payment of the said Sum. Also I give and bequeath unto my
said Daughter Helena and to her Heirs and Assigns for ever
one Negro Boy Slave named Dick and one Negro Girl Slave
named Gin.

Thirdly I give and bequeath unto my Son Benjamin
and to his Heirs and Assigns forever, one Negro Boy Slave
named Bob.

Fourthly I give and bequeath unto my Grand Child—
Rachel Mynderse Daughter of my Daughter Elizabeth and
to her Heirs and Assigns for ever one Negro Girl Child named
Antje.

Fifthly all the rest and residue of my Estate of what
kind or nature the same may be I give, Devise and bequeath
unto my three Sons named Nicholas, Everardus and Benjamin
and unto my two Daughters named, Helena and Elizabeth—
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the Wife of Petrus Mynderse and to their Respective Heirs and
Assigns forever. to be equally divided amongst them Share and
Share alike.

And lastly it is my Will and I do hereby constitute
nominate and appoint my Son Benjamin Bogardus and my
trusty Friend Joseph Gashere Executors of this my last Will
and Testament. In Witness whereof I the said Rachel Bogar-
dus have to this my last Will and Testament set my Hand and
Seal, the Day and Year first above written.

Signed, Sealed and Delivered
by the said Rachel Bogardus as
and for her last Will and Testa-
ment, in the Presence of us,

her
Rachel } Bogardus
mark

Junatje Tappen
P^t. Wynhoop, Jun^r
& Christ. Tappen

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First it is my Will that my *Executors* herein after named pay and Discharge all my just Debts and funeral Charges within a reasonable Time after my Decease.

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Fourthly, I give and bequeath unto my GrandChild Rachel Myndertse Daughter of my Daughter Elizabeth and to her Heirs and Afsigns forever one Negro Girl Child named Antje.

Fifthly, all the rest and residue of my Estate of what kind or nature the same may be I give, Devise and bequeath unto my three Sons named Nicholas, Everadus and Benjamin and unto my two Daughters named Helena and Elizabeth the the wife of Petrus Myndertse and to their Respective Heirs and Afsigns forever to be equally divided amongst them Share and Share alike.

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Annatje Tappen
Pat. Wynhoop Jim
Chris. Tappen