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IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN Ye third day of May in the year of
our Lord God one thousand six hundred sixty and five and in the seventeenth year
of the reign of Our Sovereign Lord Charles the Second by the Grace of God King
of England &c.

I GEORGE NORTON of the Town of St. Michaels in the Island of Barba-
dos Merchant being sick in body but of sound and pfect mind and memory
(praise be given unto Almighty God therefore) do make and ordain this my last
Will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say: First and prin-
cipally I commend my soul into the hands of Almighty God and my body to the
earth from whence it came to be decently buried in Christian like manner accord-
ing to the discretion of my Overseers hereafter mentioned and now for the
settling of my temporal estates and such goods chattles and debts as it hath
pleased God far above my deserts to bestow upon me I do order give and dispose
of the same in manner and form following (that is to say)

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First I will yt all these debts and duties as I owe in right or conscience
to any maner of pson or psons whatsoever shall be well and truly contented and
paid or ordained to be paid within convenient time after my decease by my
Executors or Administrators hereafter named and after my said debts be dis-
charged I will give and bequeath unto my well beloved friend Mrs. Thomas in
Norris the sum or quantity of eight thousand pounds of good merchantable well
cured dry musco sugar which I will shall be truly paid unto her or her order
within six months next after my decease in case she do in that time safely arrive
in this Island of Barbados.

Item. I give and bequeath unto John Clarke a poor fatherless child which
I have for some time past maintained and kept upon my own charge) the sum or
quantity of five thousand pounds of muscovado sugar which I will shall be paid
unto him when he attain to the age of twenty years if he shall so long live to
demand the same.

Item. I give and bequeath unto my servant Robert Hele the sum of four
thousand pounds of musco sugar over and above what shall be to him justly due
for sallery, and I will that the said sum or legacy of four thousand pounds of
musco sugar be duely and truly paid unto him according to the true intent and
meaning of this my pesent last will and Testament when and so soon as he shall
have brought to execution all the selveable debts which to me are due and owing
from any pson or psons within this Island aforesaid at the cost and charges of
my Executors or Administrators hereafter named to be defalked and allowed out
of my estate.

Item. I give and bequeath unto my now servant Ann Stewart ye sum of
five hundred pounds of musco sugar.

Item. I give and bequeath unto Phenix Tyler the sum of two hundred
pounds of musco sugar.

Item. I give and bequeath unto my loving Brother Mr. John Norton of
Killingworth in ye County of Warwick Gentl. the sum of five pounds of currant
English money.

Item. I give and bequeath to my sister Mrs. Mary Bayly now or late wife
of Mr. Richard Baily of Coleman Street within the City of London the sum of
five pounds of Currant English money.

Item. I give and bequeath unto my sister Hannah Walker now or late
wife of Edward Walker Site Grinder the sum of thirty pounds of currant English
money and my said legacies being paid and my funeral expences discharged I will
and ordain that the residue of all and singular my estate as well real as personal
and all my leases messuages tenements goods chattles wares merchandizes and
debts to me owing either in the Island aforesd. or in the Realm of England and

ready money shall be limited and reckoned in three equal parts one equal third part whereof I give devise and bequeath unto my son John Norton one other third part thereof I give and bequeath unto my eldest daughter Mary Norton and the other third part thereof unto my daughter Hannah Norton pt and part like between them in thirds equally to be divided and if it shall happen my said son John Norton to depart this life before he attain his full age of one and twenty years or before marriage then I will yt the part and portion so allotted to my said son as aforesaid shall be and remain to and among my two daughters Mary and Hannah pt and pte like and if it shall happen either of my said daughters to depart this life before they attain their several ages of sixteen years being unmarried then I will and appoint yt the part and portion of her so dying shall be and remain to and amongst my son John and my surviving daughter pt and pt like or to the survivor of them.

Item. Whereas I have interest at Cape Faire as an adventurer to those parts in which affairs my said son John Norton is now employed as my Agent I will devise and bequeath unto my said son John Norton two equal third parts (the whole in three parts to be divided) of all and singular my concerns there and the other third part thereof of my aforesaid two daughters Mary and Hannah or to the survivor of them if they or either of them (as aforesaid shall attain the age of sixteen years or day of marriage and if it should happen my said son to dye unmarried then I will and my meaning is that the whole shall come and be to my said two daughters or the survivor of them pt and pt like.

Item. I do hereby nominate ordain and appoint my said son John Norton to be sole and only Executor of this my last Will and Testament and overseers thereof my trusty and well beloved friends Collo. Richard Hawkins Mr. Henry Farney and Capt Anthony Lane all resident in the Island of Barbados aforesaid and I will and appoint yt the said Collo Richard Hawkins Mr. Henery Harney and Capt Anthony Lane shall be -- administrators and have the administration of all and singular my leases goods chattles and debts to the use of my said son and daughters during their respective minorities or days of marriage as aforesaid and thereof shall be accomptable when they shall be thereunto legally required.

Item. I give and bequeath to every one of my said Overseers the sum or quantity of two thousand pounds of musco sugar apeice. for their pains in the premises to be taken, wherein I pray them to deal as becometh faithfull Christians as they will answer therefor before God and I do hereby revoke and make void all former Wills by me heretofore made either by word or by writing And I do declare this only to be my last Will and Testament and none other.

IN WITNESS whereof I have to this my sade last will and testament (contained in four sheets of paper) to the first three sheets thereof subscribed my name and to the last sheet thereof subscribed my name and put my seal in the presence of the witnesses who have hereunto subscribed their names the day and year first above written.

George Norton

Signed sealed published declared and delivered up by the within menconed testator as his very last will and testament in psence of us

Ed. Pelham "nuns" ; Armiger Warner Junr.
Richard Glascock Snr.

BARBADOS

BY THE DEPUTY GOVERNOR

This 12th of May 1665 psonally appeared before me Edward Pelham Armiger Warner Junr. and Mr. Richard Glascock and made oath that they did see the within named George Norton sign seal publish declare and deliver the within written as his very last will and testament.

Sworne before me.

Hen. Willoughby

Registration Office,
Law Courts, Bridgetown. (initials
BARBADOS illegible)
29th December 1962

CERTIFIED A TRUE COPY

(signature illegible)

Deputy Registrar