

(3) Accomack County

Be it knowne unto all men by these presents that I George Middleton of W. said County Planter, for Divers good causes and Considerations, me Remains moving And for settling and disposing of what Estate the Lord hath pleased to bless me withall, and for the Advantage of my Children after my Decease And by this my present Deed of Gift, Doe give grant And Assign unto my wellbelov'd Son and Daughter, Joseph Melson and Elizabeth, his wife one Hundred and Eight Acres of Land, Situate lying and being in Accomack County Aforesaid to and their Heires for ever as shall be expressed and further declared, First I do order that the Elderst Son & Heir of my said Son and Daughter Joseph Melson and Elizabeth his wife Attain and live to the Age of twenty one years, he have and possesse one halfe or Morety of W. said one hundred Eighty Acres of Land to him and his heires for ever but in full view of such heires to remain to W. next Lawfull Heir or Heires remaining or succeeding for ever, Witness whereof I have Resyncto sett my hand and Seale this first day of November 1715

Sealed Signed & Delivered,
In the presence of
William Willet
Robt. Shedd
John Metcalfe

George Middleton Son: (C)

Recorded November
the 15th 1715

The within Deed of Gift of Land was Acknowledged in open Court of Accomack County by George Middleton as his Act and Deed to his Son in Law Joseph Melson and Elizabeth his wife November W. first 1715 wth W. C. admitted to Record
Is: Cha: Shedd C. C. for Accomack

In the Name of God Amen this Day to witt the thirtysfirst-day of June A.D. 1715 I Thomas Bell of Accomack County in Virginia being sick in body but of good and perfect memory thanks be to God for it, and Calling to remembrance W. uncertain Estate of this Transitory life and that all flesh must yeald unto Death when it shall please God to call me make Constituta and declare this my Last will and Testament in w. and form following revoking and annulling by these presents all will and Testament and Testaments heretofore by me made or declared either by word or writing first being sorry from W. bottom of my heart for my sins past night humbly desiring forgiveness for the same I give and Commit my soul unto almighty God my Saviour and redeemer in whom and by W. merits of Christ death and passion I trust as believe to be Saved and that my soul with my body att W. goodvall Day of Resurrection shall rise again in glory and through the merits of Christ people and Inherit W. Kingdom of Heaven prepared for his Elect & Chosen and my body to be buried in such decent manner as it shall please my Executors hereafter named I leave will of all those debts of I owe in right or Contions to any person or persons shall well and truly paid by my Executors hereafter named And I give to my Son Elias Bell my plantation where I now live & one hundred and fiftie acres of Land thereunto belonging to him & his heires for ever and the fiftie acres to him and to his heires for ever I have my will is of my true and loving wife shall for and during her life time have the use of the hole and reasonably enjoy the hole for her need full use and for the remainder part of my Estate I give to my loving wife and to her heires for ever I have I give to W. rest of my Children: viz: Thomas Bell Junr. Sarah Kelle Oliver Bell Edward Bell Mary hard each and Every one of them twelve pence a piece and I appoint my true and tender wife to hold and sole Exec^{tr} of this my Last will and Testament Signed Sealed and pronounced in the presents of us

Witness
W. W. Fitchitt
Samuell Davis
Benjamin Coe

Thomas T B Bell (C)

The within Last will & Testament of Thomas Bell was proved in open Court of Accomack County by the oaths of Witherinton Fitchitt Samuel Davis and Benjamin Coe the three witnesses to W. same November W. first 1715 wth W. C. admitted to Record

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October W. 17th 1715
I Thomas Bell true and true of Thomas Bell deceased I depose that W. will of father Thomas Bell may be proved according to my fathers depose as witness my sister James Maccombes she marked of woodman Hawser
The above noted recorded November 15th 1715 Is: Cha: Shedd C. C. for Accomack