

In the Name of God amen I Hancock Custis of Accomack County in Virginia being of Sound mind and memory Considering the Estate of mankind and knowing that tis ordained for all persons once to die do make this my Last will & Testament hereby revokeing and makeing void all wills heretofore by me made. Imprimis I give my soul to God that gave it mee no ways doubting but that through the mercy & meritts of my dear Saviour Christ Jesus I shall have a joyfull resurrection my Body I committ to the Earth to be buried in a Christian Like, and decent manner according to the direction of my Exrs hereafter named Item I give & bequeath unto my son John Custis my Plantation at Hungers in Northampton County with all Houses and other Conveniencys thereunto belonging Containing by Estimation Eighteen hundred & forty acres be it more or less and all other the lands my Father John Custis gave me in his last will and Testam^t that was for the sole use and benifit of his then dwelling House and Plantation on Hungers which his said Will plainly Expresses and my true meaning is that my son John Custis have and enjoy all the lands that my Father Mentions in his last will for the sole use and benefit of Hungers Plantation which said Land and appurtenances thereto belonging I give unto my son John Custis and the heirs male of his Body Lawfully begotten forever & for want of such heirs to the heirs Female of his Body Lawfully begotten forever and for want of such heirs to the heirs at Common Law. Item All that part of my now dwelling Plantation in Jollys neck which Lyes Between Crooked Creek and a Creek whereon Will^m Howard Lived & formerly James Cuddy rented of my Father & lived upon & now where I have a Ditch and Fence to Ebb^ose the same beginning from or near Crooked Creek by Thomas Jenkinsons and running down and into the Creek or Gut aforementioned by the Plantation that was old Sebastian Delastatins and there

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Delastatus's and where now lives Timothy Murrack he having rented it of Sebastian
Delastations Son of the said Old Sebastian Delastations, All the Land this Side the Creek
or gut either within my ditch or neck Fences or without in Jollys Heck Together with an
Island Called Cobham Island by Estimation one Hundred acres Land and marsh be it more or
less the said Lands Houses Profitts & all appurtenances Whatsoever, I give to my son
Southy Custis and the heirs male of his body lawfully begotten forever and for want
of such heirs to the heirs Female of his body Lawfully begotten forever, and for want
of such heirs to my son Levin Custis and the heirs male of his body Lawfully begotten
for ever and for want of such heirs to the heirs Female

of his body Lawfully begotten forever and for want of such heirs, to my son Theophilus Custis and the heirs male of his body Lawfully begotten forever and for want of such heirs to the heirs Female of his body Lawfully begotten for ever and for want of such heirs to my Son John Custis and the heirs male of his body lawfully begotten forever and for want of such heirs to the heirs Female of his body Lawfully begotten for ever, and for want of such heirs to my brother Henry Custis and his heirs and Assigns forever Item all the

Remainder of my Lands in Jollys Neck lying between the Creek or gut which I have made the Northern boundary of my son Southys part of Jollys Neck & a Creek whereon James Kelly formerly lived it being Northern boundary of my lands in Jollys Neck Cont: in the whole Tract by estimation two Thousand acres which my Father bequeathed to me, I give and bequeath unto my son Levin Custis and the heirs male of his Body Lawfully begotten for ever and for want of such heirs to the heirs Female of his Body Lawfully begotten for ever and for want of such heirs to my son Theophilus and the heirs male of his Body Lawfully begotten forever, and for want of such heirs to the heirs Female of his body Lawfully begotten forever, and for want of such heirs to my son Southy and the heirs male of his body Lawfully begotten forever and for want of such heirs to the heirs female of his Body Lawfully begotten for ever and for want of such heirs to my son John Custis and the heirs male of his Body Lawfully begotten forever and for want of such heirs to the heirs female of his body lawfully begotten for ever, and for want of such heirs to my Brother Henry Custis and his heirs forever. Item I give and bequeath unto my son Theophilus Custis and his heirs and Assigns forever all my Lands At Kings Creek in Northampton County which my Uncle Adam Michael bequeathed to me by his Last will and Testament together with all houses & appurtenances thereto belonging Item Notwithstanding I have Entailed

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the lands that I give in this my will to my sons Southy and Levin Custis it is my will and desire and I do give either of them my said two Sons full power and Liberty to Sell and dispose of either of their parts or what part or parts they please to each other but no otherways and so I give the same liberty to any of my Children that shall or may be the true possessors of the said Lands after my said two Sons or either of them. Item I give and three hundred acres of Land at or near Oake Hall near William Broadwaters which my Father gave me and always did reserve for timber for the Two thousand acres of Land which he gave me in Jollys Neck I give that Land with all advantages thereunto belonging unto my two Sons Southy and Levin Custis in the same manner as I have given them the Land before in this my will and no otherways and that they both and the true possessors of it after them make no other use of the timber on the said Land but as they shall have occasion for it for their Plantations use which I have in this my will given them and no otherways and I do give either of my said two Sons Levin and Southy Custis or the true possessors after them or either of them free Liberty to use the Timber on the said three Hundred acres of Land at their Pleasure for the use of their Plantations which I have in this my will before given them and without any hindrance of each other and Likewise the true possessors after them to have the same Liberty and no otherways or farther I say for the use and benefit of them my said two Sons Southy and Levin Custis's Plantations in Jollys Neck which in this my will I have given ---- and no otherways my will and desire is that if my Two Sons Southy & Levin Custis or the true possessors after them my said Two Sons have a mind to Let or rent the said three Hundred acres of Land they have Liberty by this my will so to doe, provided always that they have an equal part in the rent and

no otherways and so I give the same Liberty to any of my Children that shall or may be
the true possessors of the said Lands after my said two Sons or either of them. Item
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to doe, provided always that they have an equall part in the rent and profitts thereof
and so Likewise has their true & lawfull possessors after them the same Liberty but not
to dispose of any timber of the said Land in any manner whatever but for their Planta-
tions use aforesaid Item I give and bequeath unto my son Theophilus Custis and his heirs
and assigns forever a parcell of Land or Swamp Lying at or near Mosongo Creek in Accomack

County which I bought of Darby McCarty Containing by Estimation one Hundred and Thirty three & a half acres be it more or less. Item I give and bequeath unto my son John Custis my Japaned Cabinet that is at Hungers and my negro boy Jacob Son of Tony and Hannah to my said son John and his heirs and Assigns forever I also give to my said Son John & his heirs and Assigns forever my negroe Girl Catherine my bigest Silver Tankard & Negro Dum Harry & all the Pictures that I brought up from Hungers & my negro man Tony & Hannah his Wife Item I give and bequeath unto my son Southy and his heirs and Assigns forever the two Pictures with Lackred Frames that Hangs in my Hall a Small map of the world my English Large Oak Table my Silver Tankard the Largest but whatt I have given my son John My negros, Apea, Sarah, Daughter of Will and Cush his wife & Tony Son of Hope Item I give and bequeath unto my son Levin Custis and his heirs and Assigns forever my Silver Tankard marked ML my Silver Beer Cup and one of my Silver mugs my negro boy Harry son of Betty and my negro Girl Rachell my Large wild Cherry Tree Table Six Silver Spoons marked ML and my Chest of Drawers that Stands in the Chamber above my Hall which was made by Ashly. Item I give and bequeath unto my son Theophilus Custis my Silver punch Bowl & Silver Sugar dish one Silver mugg my Large Silver Salt my Small Silver Tankard marked SB my negro-boy Jacob & Girl Bridget Children of Will and Cush his wife and all my Tables which I have not disposed of before in this Will Except one small one with a Twisted Frame. Item whereas the Lands that I have Given to my sons Levin & Theophilus are much inferior to the Lands that I've given to my sons John and Southy now to make their fortunes more equall I do order by this my will & give and bequeath unto my said Sons Levin and Theophilus Six negros each to be by them Chosen Turn abt out of the remainder of my negrees not before in this will given away and their increase

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Constantly two in if she pleases and that they be carefully Looked after Lastly I

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whereof I have hereto Set my hand & Seal the Thirtieth day of August Seventeen Hundred
& Twenty five

Signed Sealed Published and declared

Hancock Custis -- (21)

in our presence who did in the presence
and at the req^t of the Testator Subscribe
the same as Witnesses

The Interlineation of the word Chosen being
first made between the 5th & 6th Lines of page 5th

Anne Blair

Thomas Towles

Howell Bootin

Ralph Rutherford -----

Before Signing & Sealing I the said Hancock Custis do further order give & bequeath as
follows Vizt: That if it shall so happen that my son John should dye without Issue so
that the Lands bequeathed in this my will to him should descend to my Son Southy & his
heirs then I do give & bequeath the Lands which I have herein bequeathed to him to my
son Levin and the heirs of his body Lawfully begotten forever & the Lands which I have
Given to my son Levin to my son Theophilus & the heirs of his body Lawfully begotten
for ever. Item if it should so happen that all my four Sons before named should dye
Childless and without Issue then I give all the Negroes that I had by my Late wife
Mary Custis and half their increase to my daughter in Law Leah Gale and her heirs and
Assigns for ever the other half of the Increase I give to be equally divided amongst
my Brothers and Sisters Children and their heirs for ever but if any my Sons aforesaid

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shall sell any of them as afores^d such sale to Stand Good & the Negroes I had by my
Father and their increase in case all my Children die Childless and without Issue I
give to my brother Henry Custis & his heirs and Assigns for ever the Clause to be only
in case my sons should dye without heirs of their Bodys Lawfully begotten. Item if it
should So happen that my Son Southy Custis should die without heirs of his body Lawfully
begotten, and that the Land bequeathed to him should descend to my son Levin & his
heirs &c.^a then I give & bequeath the Land mentioned before to my son Levin to my son
Theophilus & the heirs of his Body Lawfully begotten ----

In Testimony whereof I have hereto Set my hand & Seal the aforesaid 30th day of August
1725.

Signed Sealed Published &c: In presence of us

who did at the request of the Testator in his presence

Hancock Custis -- (11)

Subscribe the same as Witnesses

Anne Blair

Thomas Towles

Howell Bootin

Ralph Rutherford

Son in Law Levin Gale

and my Friend in whome I repose this trust in and desire youl not forget me
and my desire as followeth.

in case my sons should dye without heirs of their Bodys Lawfully begotten. Item if it should so happen that my Son Southy Custis should die without heirs of his body Lawfully begotten, and that the Land bequeathed to him should descend to my son Levin & his heirs &c.^a. then I give & bequeath the Land mentioned before to my son Levin to my son Theophilus & the heirs of his Body Lawfully begotten ----

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Howell Bootin-

Ralph Rutherford

Son in Law Levin Gale

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When I am dead I desire you to take under you my three Sons Viz^t Southy Custis Levin Custis & Theophilus Custis into your care and Tuition them and their Estates untill they & each of them arive to the age of Eighteen years at which time I set them at age and then to deliver unto them the Estates as given to them in my last will & Testament but that they do not bargain nor Sell without your consent and approbation & this I seal to

my will as part thereof this 10th day of September 1725/
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In presence off

Susanna Preeson

Ralph Rutherford

my meaning is before I Sign as my three aforesaid Sons comes to the age of eighteen years that then they have their Estates delivered unto them but not to bargain as above.

Another Codicil I annex to my Last will and Testament this 3rd day of Aprill 1727 And make it as good as any part thereof as follows. I give and bequeath unto my Son Southy over and above what Negroes I have already Given him in my will, These following as by names. Sarah Negro Girl Daughter of my negro Woman Betty and I also give him the said Betty, mother aforesaid to him my said son & to his heirs forever Also I give him these following Household Goods & Things my Scrutoire that was my Fathers; my Largest looking Glass my English Blue Curtains and Vallens I had out of England with the Counterpain and all thereunto belonging my large Blue Rugg commonly put on the Bed in the Hall Chamber where the said Curtains Hangs with his Choice of any Bed in my house and bolster and two Pillows with what Cases he pleases, also one of the Largest Cotten Blanketts with the Cotten Sheets that usually were put on the said bed I likewise give him my said I Likewise give him my said Son Southy the small brass Doggs Stands in the Hall Chamber Chimney. wth the Chamber Bellows and Cain Couch all the above named household Goods and Things I give to my said son Southy Custis to him and his heirs forever I give unto my son Levin Custis and to his heirs for ever, these negroes by name, more than I have given him or mentioned unto him in my will my Negro boy Man Billy and Candace his Wife with their Son Obediah. My Black Japan Little Table in the Hall Chamber my Spotted Callicoe Curtains and Vall

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Spotted Callicoe Curtains and Vallens the next best bed in my house after my Son Southy
out of them; the next largest Cotton Blankett after my Son Southy's choice.
has taken his Choice, with one pair of the best Sheets after Southy next best Bolster
with two next best pillows with cases my Quilt Covering, the pillow Cases are These
Spotted or Starrs that used to be commonly upon the bed that used to have the Spotted
Curtains Standing in my Hall Chamber my next biggest looking glass to Southys Six Cane
Chears, half of my Silver forks all w^{ch} all and Singular the Severall particulars I do
give to my said son Levin to him and his heirs forever. I give unto my son Theophilus
Custis & his heirs forever These Negroes more than I have given in my will before Viz^t:
Emanuel Son of my negro Woman Ho----- Toni Son of my negroe Woman Betty Nanny Daughter to
will & Cush I also gize unto my said Son Theophilus my Chest of draws much like my
Scrutore now Standing in my Hall my old Silver Tankard and half a Dozen of my best Silver
my Silver Box
Spoones, peper, my little Twisted Leg Table I eat on Six Cane Chairs the other half of my
Silver forks, after my son Levin Custis has taken his all and Singular the above named
Things I give to him my said Son Theophilus, and to his heirs forever with all other of
my Tables or Table Frames not before Given Altho I now put my son John and makes mention
of his Last my Love is equall to him And because I cannot neither will my Estate afford
to make my Two Young Sons equall with John & Southy and that I have given my son John
the most Land Therefore not so much Moveables but, I give him one Negroe boy more than
I have already given him, his Choice of any one after all the Negroes I have before
given either in my will or Codicills and Whereas I have in my will given in Case all my
Children die without Lawfull Issue of their own Body begotten one half of my Negroes to
my daughter in Law Leah Gale & the other half to be and remain amongst by brother and

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Sisters Children with all their Increase as my said Will will shew, I do now in this my
Codicill which I make as good as any part of my will; Utterly renounce that part of my
will, that Says I give to be equally devided amongst my brothers and Sisters Children,

and do hereby make the same Void as if it had never been spoken of or made, but the part to my Daughter in Law Leah Gale always to Stand good, for I have not one Negroe that came from my Fathers Estate but old Dum Harry, all the rest Came from my Dears relations Therefore they shall all return to him Her or them given to in my will or Codicill of my dears relations; after the right of my Children or their heirs right

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is Determined as in my will Express in such Case that all my Children Die Leaving no Lawfull heirs that then the other half of my Negroes Left after my Daughter Leah or her heirs take her or their Choice to be devided Equally Between my Cousin Susanna Preeson & Hannah Preeson her Sister, And Elizabeth Upshire the Daughter of Arthur Upshire and Sarah his Wife to them my three Cousins to them & their heirs for ever And as for my household Goods of w^t nature or Quality Soever in case that all my four Sons, John, Southy, Levin & Theophilus Custis Die without Lawfull Issue, then in such Case I give my said household Goods, as Plate Beds, & w^t Else of household Goods to my Estate belonging one half of the same to be equally devided amongst the Children of my son in Law Levin Gale & Leah his Wife of their two bodys begotten to them and their heirs forever. And the other half to be equally devided Between Robinson Custis Son of my Brother Henry & Anne his Wife Littleton Kendal Son of my Sister Sorrowfull Margaret & James Hamilton Son to Andrew Hamilton and Anne his Wife to them & their heirs forever, my desire is in this Codicill that not any of my Negro Men or Women who has Wives or husbands be not parted, Let their Wives or husbands, be any other persons abroad; but always to be Allotted So that those of my own in the house go together, & those that have them abroad to be always placed So near that they may Conveniently go to See Each other with

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Leave given I desire my son In Law to see all my will & desires performed, & not to
forget my Children when I am gone but to mannage every thing for them, In whose Care I
put them all according as is in my will which I hope he will doe, For me when I am gone,
all this Codicill I put my hand & Seal to this 3rd day of Aprill 1727

In this Margent; I acknowledge all this Codicill

to be my Act will & Deed day & year Set downe

Hancock Custis (11)

Witness to the same Is

Howell Booting

Tho^s Cane --

Another Codicill I now make and Seal to my Will & make it as good as any part of my will,
as follows First that if my son John should be advanced In Estate by his Uncle John at
any time to be more worth in Land than Hungers neck Then I give one half of my Land
Hungers To my Son Theophilus Custis to him and his heirs Lawfully begotten for ever just
as my Father gave the whole to me, & in case my said son Theophilus Dies Leaving no
Lawfull Issue than then the said one half to my son Levin Custis in same manner as I
give it to my son Theophilus & if Levin Dies Then in same manner to my son Southy Custis
to him and his heirs Lawfully begotten of his own Body for ever to devide it between
any Two of his Children as he pleases & so I give it in Same manner to Theophilus and
Levin, and more over if my Brother John Custis should Give rent or sell Cobham's Island
to my son John as he pretends title to: and that if my said Son John his heirs Executors
or Assigns or any one or more by from or under Them should ever Disturb in any manner

In this Margent; I acknowledge all this Codicil

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Hancock Custis (111)

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Another Codicill I now make and Seal to my Will & make it as good as any part of my will, as follows. First that if my son John should be advanced In Estate by his Uncle John at any time to be more worth in Land than Hungers neck Then I give one half of my Land Hungers To my Son Theophilus Custis to him and his heirs Lawfully begotten for ever just as my Father gave the whole to me, & in case my said son Theophilus Dies Leaving no Lawfull Issue than then the said one half to my son Levin Custis in same manner as I give it to my son Theophilus & if Levin Dies Then in same manner to my son Southy Custis to him and his heirs Lawfully begotten of his own Body for ever to devide it between any Two of his Children as he pleases & so I give it in Same manner to Theophilus and Levin, and more over if my Brother John Custis should Give rent or sell Cobham's Island to my son John as he pretends title to: and that if my said Son John his heirs Executors or Adm^{rs} or any one or more by from or under Them should ever Disturb in any manner w^tever my Son Southy Custis or his heirs Executors or Adm^{rs} or any other that may be the true possessors of my Neck of Land in Jollys neck, that is of my blood, I mean my Children or their Childrens Children, Ever, That in Such Case, I doe give all my neck of Land at hungers to my Son Theophilus to him & his lawfull heirs for ever, And if he

Dies without Lawfull heirs then to my son Levin, and if Levin Dies without Lawfull Issue
Then to my son Southy Custis & to his Lawfull heirs, alwayes giveing my said Sons full
power to devide it to their Children in same manner as my Father gave me, But Notwith-
standing I do give to my son John the Ground where the Houses^{stand} at Hungers I mean to begin at
the waiding place, Coming to the dwelling house at Hungers, and not to goe over the
Ground of the Orchard, but to take his breadth and Length down to mill point where
Batterton Fletcher over Seer, has now a Corn Field and my said son John not to have one
foot of Land more in Hungers Neck but just that bound, all this is my meaning, that if
there be any Disturbance concerning Cobhams Island as I have before in this my Codicill
Set and writ down, And whereas every Parents care & love to their Children is great for
their welfare Therefore I do order in this my Codicill, & it is my will that if my son
John Marry near of Kin as a first Cousin that is Brother^{or} Sisters Children I say if my
said son should so marry that then my will is ----- not have any part -----
of what ----- Soever, but to be Utterly forever Debarred of the same only
the Point of Land I make mention of before where the dwelling House is & down to mill
point & Two Shillings & Six pence Silver money to be paid out of my Estate by my son
Southy Custis & I do make my son Southy, Levin & Theophilus Custis joynt Exec^{rs} to my
will and also Codicills my will and desire is that my son Southy at my death possess and
enjoy my dwelling house with all other the houses upon his Land that I have given him
without any Interruption w^tever, but not to deal without the advice & consent of my son
in law Levin Gale if he is pleased to give it at any time, & to have the full managem^t
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all to the management of Southy untill his Two Brothers Comes to the age of Eighteen at which
time I set them all at age but notwithstanding not to deal or bargain without the Leave
and consent of their Brother in Law Levin Gale untill they come to be Twenty one years
of age and not to Sell bargain or dispose of any of their Negros while Twenty five years
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Estate that in my will given him and to keep in his care ^{& Custody} all his Two Brothers Estates
of w^t nature or Quality Soever untill they come to the age of Eighteen and then to deliver
their just and equall part to them and my son Southy to enter into good bond & Security
for performance of the same The negros to Stay all on my now place where I live I say the
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then to be delivered unto them and the Labour of Levins & Theophilus Laid out by son
Southy to the best advantage of his two brothers Levin and Theophilus if my son in Law
Levin Gale sees good that Southy should keep his two Young brothers I consent to it but
if not to remove them for the best But I think they may live together. I am sensible of
many races Interlinings & Blots in this my Codicil I allow of them all that can be
thought to be done by me If any of my Codicil should unseal & come off & break from my
will notwithstanding I make them and every of them to be and Stand good if there be the
print and wax on them or either of them So no Advantage to be taken by their looseing,
Now I set my hand & Seal to this my Codicil the 17th day of August 1727

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In presence of

Tho^s. Blair

Howell Booting
his
John / Jenkins
Mark

Hancock Custis (??)

At a Court held for Accomack County the 7th day of May 1728
The within last Will & Testament of Hancock Custis was proved in
open Court by the Oaths of Ann Blair Thomas Towles Howell Bootine
Thomas Cane Thomas Blair & John Jenkins & is ordered to be lodged

in the Clerks Office for further probation.

Test. Jn^o: Jackson CL: Cur.

Recorded Test. Jn^o: Jackson CL: Cur.

At a Court held for Accomack County the 3^d day of June 1729.

The last Will & Testament of Hancock Custis deceased was fully proved by the Oath of Susanna Preeson one of the Witnesses to the Same, & the said will was ordered to be recorded. The several Codicils being also legally proved by the Witnesses beforementioned & ordered to be recorded.

Test. Jn^o: Jackson CL: Cur.

Recorded Test. Jn^o: Jackson CL: Cur.

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One p^s narrow bed tick 12^{yds} One p^s breeches tick 28 yards One p^s fine Linnen 11^{yds}
One peice fine Garlicks 34, One p^s D^o 20: One p^s fine Linnen 11: one p^s D^o 10 1/4 One
p^s D^o 34: One p^s D^o 21: Twelve OZ. fine Thread, Six hanks Sewing Silk. Thirteen y^{ds}
of indiff^r. fine Linnen. 7 1/2 Camblets. 3 Yards Muslin One p^s Holland 11 1/2. One p^s
Stript Sattin 16 1/2 One p^s Silk 25 y^{ds}. Twelve Feather Beds. Seven Bolsters, Six Rugs,
one Quilt, four Counterpains. Seven Cottⁿ Blanketts one flannel D^o Four Plad D^o Eight
Pillows two pair Cottⁿ Sheets, five, Holland D^o Three paid Course Linnen Sheets one p^r
D^o, one p^r fine D^o one p^r Holland D^o five p^r fine D^o, Two p^r Course D^o One Laid
Counterpain one p^r Holland Curtains and Vailens. One p^r Blue Curtains One p^r Check D^o
one p^r Callicoe D^o one p^r Red D^o one p^r dark Coloured D^o Two p^r White Callicoe pillow
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Speckle D^o Four p^r of D^o Check. one pair D^o one p^r Spotted Holland D^o Two p^r Course.
Three Dammask Table Cloths Two D^o Two Dozⁿ Hucaback Napkins 13 D^o Twelve D^o Thirteen
D^o one D^o Six D^o Dammask Five Linnen D^o Fourteen Hucaback D^o Three Dam: Towels. Two
D^o Two Huca: D^o one Holland D^o Three Linnen D^o Two Small Course Bapkins Ten Course Linnen
Towels One D^o Holland, one D^o Course. one Course Table Cloth and Napkin One p^r Course
Sheets. A Doz: 2^d Cain Chairs Six D^o black wooden fram's. Four Leather D^o Four D^o
Turkey Work^d Eight Chests Two D^o as many Tight Casks as Contains ^{Gall} 2300: Three Large
Tables one Small D^o one Scrutore Two Chests of Draws: one D^o Jappan Two Cupboards, one
Tea Table Five Large Looking Glasses one Small D^o Eighteen Small Drinking Glasses. three
Large D^o Two Vinegar Cruits, Three Deanters 4 Grubing hoes. Eighteen hilling hoes 11
Broad D^o Six narrow Axes Two D^o Four broad D^o Four plows nine harrow Teeth 3 D^o Two
Small Kettles Two Larger Three Large pots, four D^o Small one Copper one Large furnace Two
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2 Mustard pots 1 Spice mortar 3 Large Dishes 4 frying pannels 10 p^r pott hooks 1 iron
Chaffing Dish two Brass D^o 7 brass Candle Sticks 3 p^r Cart Wheels, Tobacco 8900: 100
bushell Corn Three fine hats 1 Large p^r hand irons 1 Small D^o & Bellows 2 p^r Tongs 3
Small Kittles one Sauce pan a p^r Large money wth 1 Small a Case of razors wth & hone &
p^r Swissars five Guns a warming pan 9 reep hooks a Small p^r Stillards Two Earthen plates
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 Cow bell a nutmeg grater one peper box 16 y^{ds}. Salloon 1 Suit broad Cloth 1 D^o of Drugget
 1 D^o of Devonshire Kersey 5: ^{yds} 4 D^o Kersey & Coat & Jackett of Duroy Two bigg Coats 1 Suit
 Course Cloth a Flannel Jacket 1 p^r yarn Stockings 1 p^r Thread 3 p^r mens Shoes a p^r

Slippers 4 p^r Worsted Stockings 2 p^r mens Gloves Shirts Two Silver Tankards mark H:M.
 one D^r SB one ML. one unmark't Two Kans H:M Two Salt Sellar 2 porringers H.M. 1 Sug^r
 Dish H:M 1 punch bowl H:M 1 pepper box 1 beaker 1 Large Salt Sellar 4 forks Six Spoons
 mark't ML: 12 ^C S. 4 T.S. 8 SB one Small one with a twisted handle 3 old Spoons A. S
 2 ^C S. 21 Large Buttons, 30 Small. Cash 7 14..6. one Whip Saw, one Cross cut D^r 3 Small
 hand Saws. one from 3 Woollen Wheels 3 Linnen D^r a pair Coopers Compasses a Crow & jointer
 a Sea Compass Two p^r Mill Stones 1 p^r hand Mill 6. Horses 3 horses Colts & Mares 134
 Head of Cattle 122 of Sheep 80 Hogs 7 bed Steads 1 Truckle D^r A 16 f. Boat with Sails
 & Rigging, a Hull of 23 f. Shallope a Mans saddle & Bridle a Silver headed Cane a Silver
 Seal a Gold Ring a p^r Gold Studs one Large Bible one small D^r an English Dictionary the
 History of G: Brittain, D^r Tillitsons Sixteen Sermond Miles Smith's Sermons the Grounds
 of a holy Life the Art of War in 4 Parts H^r Henry Smiths Sermons An Address to Protestants
 new The Mariners new Kallender An Act for Settling the Subsidy of poundage &c^a. Secrets
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 2 Guardians the Vol^s of the Tatler & Spectators, the History Virg^a one Box iron, 1
 Coopers Adz an Ax a Jointer a Crow a drawing Knife & Compasses. Ten Pictures Wooden
 fram'd Three Guilded Rawhides 22 Shirts 13 & Neck Cloths

At a Court held for Accomack the 3:

day of June 1729.

This Inventory was returned to Court and
 ordered to be Recorded.

Test. Jn^o Jackson CL: Cur.