

of the said Will which the Executors therein named & proved by the
Oaths of John Boston & Peter Blankenship and Ordered to be Recorded
& the Executors in the will mentioned Refused to Take upon the Execut-
ion of the said Will Whereupon on the Motion of Martha Ray whomade
Oath according to Law Certificate is granted her for Obtaining Letters
of Administration of the Estate of the said Joseph Ray Deceased with
Will Annexed she giving Security whereon she Together with Henry
Taylor & James Standefor her Security Entered into & Acknowledged
bond in the penalty of Five Hundred pounds for her due Administra-
tion of the said Decedents Estate Teste Ben Howard CJB

In the name of God Amen I Bowker Smith of Russell
Parish in the County of Bedford being Sick in Body but of Sound mind
and memory do make and Declare this to be my last Will and Testament

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hereby Revoking and Making Void all Other Wills by me formerly
made for my will and Desire is that all my Just Debts be paid after
which I give and Bequeath my Estate in the following Manner To wit
I give to my Loving Wife Judith Smith During her Life the Use of the land
and Plantation Whereon I now Live Also to Inable my said Wife Judith
Smith to Educate and Maintain my Childred I give her during her life
the Use of all my Negroes that is to say Dick Glasgow. Amey. Phillis. Bess
Isbell. John. Frank and Jamey. Also. I give to my said Wife During her
Life the Use of all the Rest of my Personal Estate of Every Kind Whatsoever
and at the Decease of my said Wife I give and Bequeath all the above Estate
in the following Manner (to wit) I give unto my son John Smith all the above
Mentioned Tract of Land Whereon I now Live with all the Appurtenances
Thereunto Belonging to him and his Heirs forever. I give to my Daughter
Elizabeth Smith and Judith Smith my Two Negro girls above Mentio-
ned Bess and Isbell with all their Increase from the Date hereof to them
and their Heirs forever I give the Remaining part of my said Negroes that
is to say Dick Glasgow. Amey. Phillis. Bess. John. Frank and Jamey.

is to say Dick, Glasgow, Amey, Phillis, John, Frank and Jamey & all the
Rest of my personal Estate at my Wifes Decease to be Equally Divided
amongst my five sons Stephen Smith, Bowker Smith, Guy Smith &
William Smith and Achilles Smith to them and their Heirs forever
I am I agreed with George Walton of Lunenburg County some Year ago
for five Hundred & Thirty Three Acres of Land lying in the fork of Great
and Little Otter Rivers for which he has my Bond for fifty odd pounds
but as the said Walton did not comply with his Bargain I Refused
Accepting the Deed he made me in this Court for which there is now a
Suit in Chancery Depending in the s^d Court of Bedford Now if the said
Court or the General Court upon an Appeal should Adjudge in my favour
and the said Walton is Willing to give my s^d Bond up to my Executors then
in that case my Will and Desire is that my Executors shall Reconvey the
same Land to the said Walton his Heirs & by a Deed in the same Court and
as near as may be in the same Words of the Deed the s^d Walton made one
for the said Land but in case the County Court of Bedford should be Judge

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against me my Will and Desire is that my Executors Appeal to the General
Court and in case the s^d General Court Judges against me that my Ex^{ts}

is Obliged to pay for the said Land Then my Desire is that my Executors
 Sell the same at any Time They Think proper for as good a price as can
 be got and the Money arising from the sale thereof to be Applied by
 my Executors Towards Discharging my Debts Lastly I do constitute
 and Appoint my Brothers John Smith and Guy Smith Executors
 of this my Last Will and Testament In Witnes Whereof I have hereunto
 set my hand and Seal this Twenty fourth day of January one Thousand
 Seven Hundred & Sixty Eight Bunker Smith (S.S.)

signed Sealed and Published
 in presence of

Thos Smith, Henry ^{his} Pigg, Janes ^{her} Snow }
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Ordered to be Recorded and on the Motion of the Said Executors
Who made Oath according to Law (they having first Entered
Into Bond and Acknowledged the same for their Due & faithful
Execution of the s^d Last will & Testament) Certificate is granted
them for Obtaining a Probate thereof in due form of Law Teste Ben
Howard C C

December 29th 1767 & 18th 1768