

James Septoe. Esq. Secy.

In the Name of God Amen this 26th Day of
July 1752 I Thomas Hamilton, of the County of Bedford and
Colony of Virginia being Very weak and Sick of Body but of
Perfect memory, Thanke be given unto God therefore calling unto
mind the Mortality of my Body and knowing that it is
Appointed for all men Once to Die do make and Ordain this
my last Will and Testament That to Say Principally and
first of all I give and Recommend my Soul into the hand of
Almighty God that gave it and my Body and my Body I
Recommend unto the Earth to be Buried in Decent Christian
Burial at the Discretion of my Excutrix nothing Doubting
but at the General Resurrection I shall Receive the Same
again by the Almighty Power of God.

And

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And Touching such worldly Estate wherewith I have Pleased
 God to Bless me in this life I give and Devise of this mine in-
 heritance and here following. *Inprimis* I give and Bequeath
 to ^{at} ~~to~~ ^{my} ~~my~~ Dearly Beloved Wife all my whole Estate During
 her Natural Life except the Navy and then she shall have but
 her thirds. After her Decease the Land to be Equally Divided
 betwixt my two Sons viz, Richard and Thomas. Item I
 give and Bequeath unto my son Richard one Set of Smiths
 Tools and one Dark Bay Horse after my Just Debts are Paid
 Paying his Mother Ten Pounds two Years after this present
 Date. Item I give and Bequeath unto my well Beloved Wife
~~Eliza~~ ^{Eliza} Hamilton whom I likewise constitute an ~~and~~ ^{and}
 Ordain my sole Executrix of this my Last will and Testament
 all and singular my Lands, Tenements and Appurtenances by her
 fully to be disposed as before mentioned. And I do hereby

Altho' I disallow Revokes and Disavows and every other former
Testament Wills Legacies and Bequests and Executions by me
in any way before named Wills and Bequests Ratifying
and Confirming this to be my Last Will and Testament.

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal
the Day and Year above mentioned

Thomas Hamilton (S)

Signed Sealed Published and

Pronounced and Declared

by the said Thomas Hamilton

In Presence of us

George Grundy, Robert Jackson, Adam Beard

Magistrate held for Bedford County September 28th 1772.

This Last Will and Testament of Thomas Hamilton Decd.

was Proved by the Oaths of George Grundy and Adam Beard

in any way before named Will and Bequeath Ratifying
and Confirming this to be my Last Will and Testament
In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal
the Day and Year above mentioned

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In Presence of
George Grundy, Robert Jackson, Adam Beard
Magistrate for Bedford County September 28th 1772
This Last Will and Testament of Thomas Hamilton Decd
was Proved by the Oaths of George Grundy and Adam Beard
and Ordered to be Recorded

And

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Named who made Oath thereto Certificate is granted her for
Obtaining Probate thereof in due form giving Security thereupon
She together with Adam Beard and Drury Allen her
Securities entered into and Acknowledged their Bonds in the
Penalty of five Hundred Pounds for the Said Esther
Hamiltons due and faithfull Administration of the
Said Decedts. Estate and Performance of his Will
Dated

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Made } In the Name of God Amen I Jeremiah Wade of Bedford
Will } County being verrey sick and weak in Body but of perfect
mind and memory, Thanks be to God for it and knowing
that it is Appointed Once for all men to Die do make and Ordain