

Returned into Brunswick County Court the 21 Day of June 1753
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Teste

Litt Jazewell Cler. Cur.

mas Craft Depoant to an Order of Brunswick County Court bearing Date the
22 Day of April last Past I have taken the Depositions of Charles King
Thomas Brown Samuel Craft & Thomas Moore concerning the Contents of
the last will and Testament of Thomas Craft decd. which was destroyed
since his Decease by Fire as followeth, to wit,

Durvy Stith

Brunswick County 21st

Charles King Senior aged about sixty years
being first Sworn upon the holy Evangelists of Almighty God Depoeth and
saith that sometime in the Year four Lord one thousand seven Hundred &
fifty one he saw with his Eyes of Thomas Craft who was then very sick & like to
die upon which his Depoant asked Elizabeth the wife of him the said Tho^s
Craft if he had ~~settled~~ ^{settled} his affairs so that he believed he was not long for
this world ~~that~~ ^{and} that he had made his will and that upon the Will was

Produced which this Deponent read ^{That} and saith to the best of his memory after the
Preamble was as follows. I give to Thomas Craft son of Samuel Craft three
Books my Common Prayer Book, my Spelling Book, and the Book of Markham
to be immediately delivered I give & Bequeath to my Beloved wife Elizabeth Craft
all the residue of my Estate during her natural life and at her Death to Thomas
Craft son of Samuel if he be living & if he be Dead to the Heirs of Benjamin Bell & I
do make Ordain Constitute and appoint my loving wife Elizabeth Craft to be the Sole
- Executrix of this my last will and Testament and so concluded with setting his
Hand and affixing his Seal which was witnessed by Samuel Craft & Tho^s Moore.
And this Deponent further saith that some time after the said Testator departed
this Life, and that he this Deponent read over his said will after his Death.
And further this Deponent saith not.

Signed & sworn to before me
this 21. June 1755.

Dunry Smith

Charles King Sen^r.