

R. Smith In the name of God Amen the nineteenth Day of

Will May one thousand seven hundred and forty eight I Richard
Smith of the parish of Saint Andrew and County of Brunswick
being Sick and Weak in Body but of perfect Sense and memory
thanks be given to God for the same therefore calling to mind the
Mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all
flesh once to die do make and ordain this my Last Will and
Testament in manner and form following that is to say
First of all I give my soul into the Hands of God that gave
it not doubting but at the general Resurrection I shall
Receive the same again and as for my Body I give to the
Parish to be buried in a Christian and decent manner at the
discretion of my Executors hereafter named and as for what
worldly Estate it hath pleased God to Bless me with I give
dispose of in the manner and form following In witness
I give and bequeath to my Son Robert Smith one shilling for
himself and his heirs forever Item I give and bequeath to my
Daughter Elizabeth Lambert one Red Bug at the death of the

being Sick and Weak in Body but of perfect Sense and memory
thanks be given to God for his mercie therefore willing to mind the
Mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all
flesh once to die do make and ordain this my Last Will and
Testament in manner and form following that is to say
First of all I give my soul into the Hands of God that gave
it me not doubting but at the general Resurrection I shall
Receive the same again and as for my Body I give to the
earth to be buried in a Christian and decent manner at the
discretion of my Executors hereafter named and as for what
worldly Estate it hath pleased God to Bless me with I give
dispose of in the manner and form following In witness
I give and bequeath to my Son Robert Smith one Shilling for
himself and his heirs forever Item I give and bequeath to my
Daughter Elizabeth Lambeth one Red Rug at the best Shilling
price for she and her heirs forever Item I give and bequeath to
my Son Benjamin Smith the upper part of my Land that
lies on Redcoats Beginning on Red Oaks where John Bitternicks

and down antilodge for his children to go over to school
 thence running along the edge or brow of the Hill by a line of
 marked trees to Hugh Williams path thence along the said
 path to the back line thence along the said line to Red oak
 Run as aforesaid thence down the said Run as it meanders to
 the beginning containing by estimation one hundred and
 fifty Acres be the same more or less. Item I give and bequeath
 to my son Richard Smith the plantation whereon I now live
 with all the Land joining of it that is in my possession
 except what I have given to my son Benjamin which Land
 that is mentioned is for my son Richard and his heirs forever
 Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Mary Smith the
 feather bed and furniture that she now lies on to her and her
 heirs forever. Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Swanna
 the bed and furniture now on to her and her heirs forever
 Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Lydia next choice
 of the said furniture that is not already given to her and her
 heirs forever. Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter

some good and valuable to my Daughter Lydia next choice
of the beds & furniture that is already given to her and her
heirs forever them I give and bequeath to my Daughter Ann
her next choice of the beds & furniture after Lydia has choosed
to she & her heirs forever them my other two beds I give and bequeath
to my two sons Benjamin and Richard only Benjamin to
have his choice to them and their heirs forever them I give and
bequeath to my three youngest sons Matthew John and Thomas
as much of the remainder part of my Estate as shall be proportionable
to the Value of a bed to each of them my three sons to them and
their heirs forever them all the rest of my Estate I give and
desire to be equally divided among and between my Children
hereafter named viz Mary Benjamin Lydia Ann Richard
Matthew John Susanna & Thomas all to them and their heirs
forever my desire is that my Estate be not appraised but be
divided according to my Will above mentioned by such persons
as my Executors hereafter shall think proper my desire is
that my two youngest Children

to my two sons Benjamin and Richard only Benjamin to
have his choice to them and their heirs forever I give and
bequeath to my three youngest sons Matthew John and Thomas
as much of the remainder part of my Estate as shall be proportionable
to the Value of what to each of them my three sons to them and
their heirs forever. I give and bequeath the rest of my Estate I give and
desire to be equally divided among and between my Children
hereafter named viz Mary Benjamin Lydia Ann Richard
Matthew John Susanna & Thomas all to them and their heirs
forever my desire is that my Estate be not appraised but be
divided according to my Will above mentioned by such persons
as my Executors hereafter shall think proper my desire is
that my two youngest Children live with Richard Green till
they are of Age make and ordain constitute and appoint
my Brother William Smith and Richard Green my whole & sole
Executors of this my last Will & Testament I Witness whereof

Thereunto set my hand and seal the Day and year above written

Test High Williams

James Fisher

James Addams

his
Richard R Smith (L.S.)
marks

At a Court held for Brunswick County
the 27th Day of March 1750

This Will was presented in Court by William Smith one of the
Executors therein named who refused to take upon himself the
burthen of the Execution thereof whereupon it was ordered that the
same should be lodged in the office and that Richard Green the other
Executor should be summoned to appear at the next Court to be held
for the said County and declare whether he would take upon
himself the burthen of the Execution thereof or not

Test H. Black. Clerk

At a Court held for Brunswick County
the 27th Day of June 1750

Richard Green one of the Executors named in this Will appeared
and declared that he would not take upon himself the burthen of

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the Execution thereof ^{Brunswick County, Virginia Hills 1739-1750} whereupon It was ordered that Hugh Lumber
should be summoned to appear at the next Court to be held for
the said County and declare whether he would take Adminis^{on}
of the Testator's Estate with the Will annexed or not

Teste J. Clark Clerk
A Court held for Brunswick County
the 26th Day of December 1759

This Will was proved by the Oaths of Hugh Williams James Fisher
and James Adams the Witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded
and no person appearing to take Administration of the Testator's
Estate with the same annexed It was further ordered that
Nicholas Edwards Esq. Sheriff of this County take the said
Estate into his possession and make sale and Distribution thereof
according to Law

Teste J. Clark Clerk