

Smiths In the name of God Amen this the 1th day of January one
thill Thousand seven hundred and seventy five that I John Smith of Culpeper
County being sick and doo but being sound in senses and memory do
Ordain this my Last will and Testament making all other wills void
That is to say bequeathing my soul into the hands of my Lord and saviour
Jesus Christ and my Body to be buried in a decent manner and after
my Just Debts are paid it is my will and Desire that my Estate be
Divided as follows by my Executors below mentioned -
Item it is my will and Desire that my my loving wife Anne Smith
do keep all my Estate Together to bring the small Children upon untill
the youngest Child comes of Age that is to say my sons to the age of
Twenty one years and my Daughters to the age of eighteen years only
Excepted that when my son William arrives to the age of Twenty one
Years old that he shall have one hundred acres of Land to settle upon
on either side or corner that can be said of most agreeable to not hurt
the plantation whereon I do now live and for my Children to be schooled
out of my Estate the Remainder part of my Estate I do leave to my loving
wife and she to use as she shall see fit after her death to be divided

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the plantation whereon I do now live and for my children to be schooled
out of my estate the Remainder part of my Estate I do lend to my loving
wife as long as she shall live and after her death to return to my son
Daniel Smith to him and his heirs forever

Now it is my will and Desire that my loving wife Anne Smith and my
Daughters Mary Smith & Pally Smith do Equally Divide all the Remain^{der}
part of my Estate if either of my Daughters should Die before they marry
or come of age it is my Desire that part of her or my Estate shall be
Equally Divided between <sup>Culpeper County, Virginia Wills
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www.virginiapioneers.net</sup> other Daughter and after my
wifes Death it is my Desire that her part of the Estate shall be Equally
Divided between my Daughters if both my Daughters should Die before
they marry or come of age it is my Desire that all my Estate of Movable
be Equally Divided Between my two sons William & Daniel I do appoint
my loving wife Anne Smith Executrix to my loving Friends Capt
Edward Watkins & M^r Thomas Waight Executors of this my last
will and Testament the day and after above written attesting
my hand and seal

John Smith Sr.

In presence of us ?

Ambrose Coleman

Richard Parker

Nanny ^{her} ~~N~~ Shabler ^{marry}

At about held for Culpeper County the 16th April 1776

This Last will and Testament of John Smith Deceased was Exhibited
to the Court by Anne Smith and Thomas Wright Executors ^{here after Executors} therein named
was Proved by the oaths of Ambrose Coleman Richard Parker and Nanny
Shabler Witnesses thereto and ¹⁷⁷⁰⁻¹⁷⁸³ ~~ordered~~ to be recorded. and on the motion
of the said Executors Certificate is granted them for obtaining a probat
thereof in due form they having given bond and security according
to Law. Liberty being reserved for the other Executor to Join in the Probate
when he shall think fit

Teste John Jameson Ck Cur

others In the name of God Amen I John Walker of Culpeper County

And being of full Mind have to be