

In the name of god Amen

I John Bushall Living in the county of Elizabeth City  
being sick and weak thanks be to god in perfect mind &  
memory. Now give & bequeath my soul into the hands of al  
mighty god and my body to the ground: as my excecutor  
shal think fit as for my worldly estate I give in manner

as followeth I give to my wife An Bushall my best  
bed & furniture <sup>in my house</sup> the next best ~~2~~ <sup>1</sup> ~~fine~~ <sup>one</sup> bed & furniture I give to  
my Daughter Frances But I give to my ~~two~~ <sup>two</sup> sons  
William & John each of them abed to be kept together for the use of  
the family till ye age <sup>come of age</sup> or the Decese of their mother then to receive  
them. Now I give to my wife the yoke of young steers & the trunk  
to her for ever Also the riding hay & rade in the place  
now I give to my <sup>son</sup> Thomas Bushall my desk & my reading books  
to be equally divided ~~amongst~~ <sup>between</sup> my wife & my three sons

Now I give to my wife & three sons William John & James  
~~the~~ <sup>my</sup> cattle to be equally divided between the four  
besides the others first mentioned to my wife I send her to best upon  
the said plantation for the use of ~~them~~ the family as the cattle  
of a said mentioned I give to my wife my negro woman Nell  
during her natural life after wards to be divided betwixt my  
~~three~~ <sup>the youngest</sup> sons as before said I give to my Daughter Frances But  
abay her on broke branded B. I give to my wife & three sons  
William John & James the old mare & her colt & a young  
gray horse on the island for the use of them all upon the planta-  
tion til the come of age to take their parts ~~the~~ <sup>the</sup>  
as for the other part of my Personal estate which I have not dispo-  
sed of in Deeds & out to pay my Debts & funeral charges with  
the outstanding Debts if any thing to spare I bequeath to their  
mother to live upon & to bring up ~~the~~ the children as far  
as it will go in clothing & schooling ~~the~~ <sup>the</sup>  
as for the tract of Land bought of my brother William Bushall  
I give to my son James the youngest

them give to my son Thomas the plantation that inow  
live on after my wife Decease to him but during his natural  
life not to be procees with it but after wards to him & his heirs  
of his body for ever lawfully begotten for ever 124-4

that inow live on  
them give to my wife anna the plantation and all the  
appurtenances thereto belonging during his natural life  
after wards to my son Thomas both to him & his heirs of his  
body lawfully begotten for ever I do ordain and appoint  
my wife Anna & son Thomas my sole & sole Executors  
of this my last will and testament witness my hand this  
21<sup>st</sup> Day of february - 1734 —

Witness — — — John Bayshelly

Andrew Bayshelly

Thomas Frean

William Dunn