

In the name of God Amen.

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Laurence Dent Merchant of the County of Eliza; City of
the Colony of Virginia, being sick and weak but of perfect mind
and Memory do make this my last will and Testaments.

First I commit my Soul into the hands of Almighty
God that gave it, and my Body to be decently buried by my
Executors as to my worldly Goods I give as follows.

I do give and Bequeath unto my Son Robt Dent
five Shillings in full of his Legacy.

I do give and Bequeath all my Estate both real and
personal to my loving Wife Dorothy Dent to her & her heirs
for ever, after my just Debts are paid; and tis my Will and
desire that she shall not give any Vicinity for any part
of my Estate to any person whatsoever, And it is my will
likewise that my Estate shall not be mortgaged nor appraised
nor sold but shall be left entirely in the power & discretion
of my Exors

I constitute & appoint my loving Wife Dorothy Dent
to be sole Guardian to my Son Robt Dent ^{for the life of my son or years} and whole ^{estate} of this my last Will and Testament revoking all other Wills
and Testaments whatsoever as I sign my hand & seal
this 6th Day of August 1755.

Witness my hand

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