

In the Name of God Amen I Shashy Armistead
 of the County of Elizabeth City being sick & Weak but of
 Perfect Mind & Memory Do make this my last Will
 & Testament in Manner & form following
 First of all directing my funeral Expenses & just
 Debts to be paid I then give & bequeath unto my loving
 Brother Robert Armistead a tract of land given unto
 me by my Father John Armistead by Deed bearing
 Date the 26 Day of Aug: 1770 in the County Court of Eliz:
 City containing 160 Acres more or less bounded Easterly
 by the lands of Lockey Collier westerly by the land
 of John Read and the said Robert Armistead paying
 yearly & every Year the sum of five Pounds unto my
 Loving Wife Mary Armistead during her Widowhood in
 full Satisfaction & in lieu of her Dower of the aforesaid
~~Widowhood~~ land during her Widowhood
 Item I give & bequeath unto my loving Wife Mary
 Armistead my large bay Mare Single Chare &
 Harness my feather Bed & all its furniture thereto be-
 longing & three best Trunks to her & her Heirs forever
 I likewise lend unto my loving Wife Mary Armistead
 during her life Negro fellow named Jacob & at her
 Death I gave the said Negro Jacob to ~~William Smith~~
 to my Niece Mary Smith to her & her Heirs
 forever Item I lend unto my loving Mother Elizabeth

Armistead during her life a Negro boy named Danal
& after her Death I give the said Negro Danal unto
my Pleace Mary Smith to her & her Heirs forever
Item I Decree that my Negro fellow Michal with all
my personal Estate not be fore mentioned & given to
be sold by ~~him~~ ^{towards} discharge my Just Debts & the
Residue of the Money arising there from after
paying my Just Debts I give & bequath unto my
loving wife Mary Armistead to her & her Heirs forever
Item I Decree that none of my debts be sold & I
appoint my friend Thomas Smith of York County
& my trusty friend Robert Armistead of this County
my true & lawfull Executors of this my Last Will
& Testament ~~this~~ this annulling & Revochine all
other wills her to fore made by me In Witnes^{whereof}
I have ^{here} unto set my hand & ^{affix my} Seal this 16th Day of
January in the Year of our Lord one thousand seven
& Seventy five

Signed & Seal
in the presence of us

Starkey Armistead

John Armistead
Witness Mafolay
John Armistead Jr.

I do hereby certify the Court of Elizabeth City that
I shall not act as Executor for the Estate of
M^r. Markley Armistead Deceased
Sind in the Presence of Thos. Smith

John Armistead Jun^r

Mary Armistead

April 21. 78