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In the name of God Amen

I James Edmonson of Charleston Hill in the County of Essex & Parish of South of Richmond being of sound mind & memory Thanks be unto Almighty God for the same do make this my last Will and Testament in manner as followeth Viz^t My soul I bequeath unto Almighty God who gave it hoping that through the intercession of my Beloved Saviour Jesus Christ that I may receive pardon of all my sins - Imprimis I give and bequeath unto my loving wife Elizabeth Edmonson the following Negroes Viz^t Sam his wife Betty & their children Phill Sam Maria Lucy & Plato together with all their future increase which said negroes I give unto my said wife Elizabeth & to her disposal forever -
Item I give & bequeath unto my Niece Susith Throckmorton one negro girl named Sally the daughter of Fanny but to remain in my H^s & under her protection until the said Susith shall arrive to the age of twenty one years or Marries at which of these events shall first happen then the said Susith to remove & receive

the said negro you say. Now in case that the said woman die without Will or issue living then I give the girl Sally to Lucy Throckmorton & so on by the same line up to Fanny & Martha Throckmorton the sisters of the before named brother together with Sally's increase to them (and their heirs forever) Item all the remainder of my estate of what nature or kind soever I lend unto my loving wife Elizabeth Edmondson during her natural life with this proviso that she commits no waste of Timber or Houses more than is sufficient for the support of her family and I do hereby subject the aforesaid Estate to the maintenance of my nephews James & my niece Lucetta Throckmorton until they come of age or marry, provided they continue to behave well & obliging to my aforesaid wife otherwise she may discharge them ^{whenever it shall} ~~whenever it shall~~ ^{at her own pleasure} ~~at her own pleasure~~ by the consent of my executor hereafter named shall think proper and be no longer compelled to maintain either the aforesaid James or Lucetta.

Item All the Estate heretofore in this my Will which I have lent unto my loving wife Elizabeth I give and bequeath at her death as follows that is to say, that one fourth of all my Lands & Other lent estate I give & Bequeath unto my nephew James Throckmorton and the remainder I give to be equally divided between his brother Gabriel, his brother William & his sisters Dorothy, Martha, Francis, Sally & Lucy (and their heirs forever) but with this proviso that,

and it (and to their heirs forever) such woman as you shall
their ^{Bro} Albion shall not inherit as heir from either of them
and further that if either of my aforesaid Nephews or nieces
should die without leaving lawful issue that the share or part
of such child so dying shall go to another division amongst
the survivors of the whole, so dying Albion Throckmorton excepted
as I think that I have already done a very good part by him.

Lastly, I do hereby constitute & Appoint my beloved
wife Elizabeth Edmondson Executrix to this my Will together with
my friend James Webb Esq^r Executor. In witness whereof I have
hereunto set my hand Seal this fourth day of July 1791

William Jones
Thomas Jeffers

James Edmondson ^{Great}
Seal

At a Court held for Essex County at Tappan on the 16th day of April
1792. This last Will and Testament of James Edmondson Esq^r was
presented into Court by John Brockembrough and the same approp-
riate to the satisfaction of the Court to have been duly written
with the proper hand writing of the said James was ordered to be receiv-
ed. Whereupon on the motion of the said John Brockembrough
and on his taking the oath and giving Bond as are required by law
in such cases, a writ of administration was granted him for obtaining adminⁿ of the
estate of the said James Edmondson with the will annexed in due form

Teste
J. Webb