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on in due form.

Teste
John H. H. H.

In the name of God Amen, I, John Platt of South Hampton
parish in the County of Essex being sick and weak but of perfect
mind and memory thanks be given to God, calling to mind the mor-
tality of my body, and knowing that it is appointed for all men
once to die. Do make and ordain this my last Will and Tes-
tament principally and first of all I Recommend my

Put into the hands of almighty God that guard and my body to
 the earth to be buried in decent Christian burial at the discretion of
 my Executor, and as touching such worldly estate as it has pleased
 God to bless me with in this life I give, demise and dispose of
 the same in the following manner and form —

I give to my beloved Wife Portney Hill all my estate Real and
 Personal — after paying my debts, without impeachment, dur-
 ing her widowhood, and if my wife choose to marry then to have
 only the third part of my estate during her life — Item, I give

I give all my part of land formerly belongs to my brother Richard Hill
 to my beloved son Richard Hill, to him and his heirs forever.

Item, I give to my beloved son Leonard Hill all the Land and
 plantation whereon I now dwell to him and his heirs forever.

Item, I give to my beloved son Jesse Hill all my Land and plan-
 tation I bought of William Watkins to him and to his heirs forever.

Item, I give to my beloved son Jesse Hill all my Land and plan-
tation I bought of William Matthews to him and to his heirs for-
ever. Item I give to my beloved daughter Lucy Hill fifteen
pounds to be paid her out of my estate at my decease I give my
son Richard and Leonard Hill my still only it is my desire that
mother shall have liberty to still her liquor in it freely during
her life and all the remainder of my estate to be sold and the
money arising from such sale I give twenty five pounds more
to my daughter Lucy Hill and then the balance to be equally
divided between all my four children before mentioned.

I appoint and Ordain my beloved Wife Barbara Hill my son
Richard Hill and Leonard Hill my Executors to this my last
Will and Testament and Witnesses I have hereunto set my hand
and seal this third day of August one thousand seven
hundred and twenty six.

I give and bequeath all my estate and all the
her life, and all the remainder of my estate to be sold and the
money arising from such sale I give twenty five pounds more
to my daughter Lucy Hill and then the balance to be equally
divided between all my four children before mentioned.

I appoint and ordain my beloved Wife Barbara Hill my son
Richard Hill, and Leman Hill, my Executors to this my last
Will and Testament. Witnesses I have hereunto set my hand
and seal this third day of August one thousand seven
hundred and seventy six.

Signed Sealed

acknowledged in presence of

William Hill

Pringle Fisher

Thos. Hill

John Hill (Seal)

At a Court held for Essex County at Salisbury on the 17th Day
of February 1777

The last Will and Testament of John Hill Deceased being presented
in Court was proved by the 5 Witnesses thereto and being also sworn
to by the Executors in their motion, and their procuring the Law in
such case required a certificate granted them for obtaining appro-
bate thereof in due form

Teste
John Deane Clerk

In the name of God Amen I Levin Hawkin of the
County of Essex being in my perfect health and senses calling to mind
the certainty of Death and the uncertainty of life, do make and ordain