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Smith }
In the Name of God amen I Thomas Smith of Essex County of
Southampton Parish being sick & weak of Body but of Sound mind and
Memory, Do make and constitute this to be my Last Will and Testament all
former Wills being void Infirm. I recommend my soul into the hands of
my blessed redeemer hoping thro the mercy of my Great Creator to be
received into Heaven & my Body to the Ground to be entured at the
Discretion of my Executors hereafter mentioned I leave unto my
beloved wife Susannah Smith the Land, ^{that} I now live on and likewise all my
personal Estate, as long as she remains my Widow but in case she should
marry or dye then my Will and desire is, that my Land before mentioned
should be Equally divided amongst my five Children (viz) Zachariah

John Thomas William & Mary Smith and likewise all the rest of my
 Personal Estate to be Equally Divided amongst my five Children before
 named. Item my Will and Desire is that my Mother Mary Smith should live
 on my land & in my Dwelling House as long as she Will, my Will and desire
 is that if in case either of my five Children before named should die without
 Her Lawfully begotten of thire body then there part should be Equally
 divided amongst the Surviving Children Lastly I do constitute and appoint
 my Friends James Hodgkins and Samuel Croxton Executors to this my last
 Will and testament Witness my Hand and Seal this 21st January 1780

Witness

Wm Howard

Wm Gatewood

Adam ^{his} Buspel
 marked

Thomas ^{his} Smith Seal
 marked

At a Court held for Essex ^{County} at Sappahannock on the 16th day of August 1784
 This last will and Testament of Thomas Smith dec^d was proved by the oath of

Will and testament. Witness my Hand and Seal this 21st January 1780

Witness

Wm Howard

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Adam ^{his} Bussel
marked

Thomas ^{his} Smith 
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At a Court held for Essex ^{County} at Tappahannock on the 16th day of August 1784
This last will and Testament of Thomas Smith dec^d was proved by the oath of
Adam Bussel a witness thereto And at a Court held for the same County and
place aforesaid on the 21st day of March 1785 The same was further proved
by William Howard another witness thereto and is Ordered to be Recorded

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