

I doe hereby constitute authorize & appoint my loving Sonne Nicholas Tye of the County of Wight County my whole & sole Ex^{or} of this my last will & Testament, & to make him my Ex^{or} & Testamentary Executor, & I doe hereby utterly disallow, revoke & rescind all every other former his Ex^{or} & Testamentary Executor, & by no means in any wayes before this my last will & Testament made or to be made, & I doe hereby certifye that I have offered to my last will & Testament, & in writing whereof I have taken to sett my hand & fixed my Seale this day & year before me

Signed & sealed in presence of us
James Edrington
witness

Nicholas Tye
wrote & seal

Francis & Robert
witness
Francis & Robert
witness

proved in open Court for the County of Wight County the 9th of the 170th to be the last will & Testament of Nicholas Tye by the Oaths of all the witnesses and probate ordered to his Sonne Nicholas Tye & w^{ch} is herein named

To the Clerk of the Court

In the Name of God Amen, the 20th day of October 1703 I Nicholas Tye of Newport Parish in the County of Wight County being sick & weak in body, but of sound & perfect memory (praise be given to God for it) being, knowing the uncertainty of this life on earth, & being desirous to settle things in order & to make this my last will & Testament in manner & forms following: That is to say, first & principally, I doe commend my soul to Almighty God my Creator, & humbly believing that I shall receive full pardon & free remission of all my sins, & be saved by the precious death, & merits of my blessed Saviour, & Redeemer Christ Jesus, & my body to the earth, from whence it was taken, to be buried in such decent & Christian manner, as to my Ex^{or} hereafter named shall be thought meet & convenient. And as for what worldly estate I had in Merry Hall lent me, my Will enjoining is, & some shall be employed, as hereafter by this my Will enjoining is, & some shall be employed, & first I doe hereby, & enjoin, & make void, all Wills by me made, & declare, & appoint this my last will & Testament:

Item I give & devise unto my sons William West, & Nicholas West, all the my land lying betwixt the 12th Greens, & Robert Bagnalls it being one hundred acres more or less for & during the natural lives equally to be divided betwixt us & my son William to have ye part of ye land next to the 12th Greens, & after ye decease, to ye heirs of ye body lawfully begotten for ever.

Item I give & devise unto my son Robert West, one part of a plot of land, w^{ch} I purchased of Cap: West this beginning at a white Oaks, in a little branch & so downe ye little branch to a long branch, & so downe ye said long branch, unto the Westward line, & from ye said white Oaks downe ye Indian path to Cap: Appbrochaes line, & so along Cap: Appbrochaes line Eastward unto the Westward line, & so along Cap: Appbrochaes line ye said line to ye first station for & during his natural life, & after his decease unto ye heirs of his body lawfully begotten for ever.

Item I give & devise unto my sons Nicholas West, & Robert West ye remainder of ye aforesaid land bought of Cap: West lying on ye South side of ye Indian path beginning at Round Hill, & running up to Northworthys line to ye Indian path, & so from Round Hill along Cap: Pitts line, to Cap: Appbrochaes line, & so along Cap: Appbrochaes line to ye Indian path, for & during the natural lives, equally to be divided betwixt us & after ye decease unto ye heirs of ye body lawfully begotten for ever.

Item I give & devise unto my son Robert West ye land whereon he now liveth w^{ch} I bought of Mr: John Marshall ye Elder: it being about one hundred & eighty acres for & during his natural life, & after his decease unto ye heirs of his body lawfully begotten for ever.

