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In the Name of God Amen, I Arthur Smith of Warrisquicks in Virginia gent. being at this time sick & weak in body, but in good and perfect mind & memory praised be to the mighty God I do make & declare this my last will & testament in manner and form following, that is to say, first & before all earthly things, I commend my Soule into y^e hands of Almighty God my maker & to Jesus Christ his son, my only Saviour & Redeemer, Hoping and steadfastly believing through his Merits to attain Everlasting Salvation, and that I shall be Numbered amongst his chosen and Elect to be for my Body, I Comitt it to y^e Earth, from whence it came to be decently buried in y^e Earth by my late beloved wife, at the discretion of my Executors & Overseers hereafter named. And for my worldly Estate, which I have & shall, God be blessed upon me (my Debts which I owe being first paid & sundry expenses discharged) I give and bequeath of such in manner and form following, In primis I give and bequeath unto my two Sons Arthur Smith & Rich. Smith and to their heirs, for ever, a certain parcel of Land called by y^e Name of the Freshet, beginning at a dry Valley, running out of y^e White Marsh to the y^e path as you go to Joseph Cobb, and so running along the y^e path to y^e outmost bound of my Land next Joseph Cobb, to be equally divided between my s^d two Sons Share & Share like, And if it shall happen that either of my Sons, shall happen to die before this time before he shall enjoy his s^d portion of Land before by me bequeathed that then y^e Surviv^r shall enjoy all y^e s^d part of Land, to him & his heirs, for ever. Item I give & bequeath unto my Godson Arthur Long and to his heirs, for ever one hundred Acres of Land, lying at y^e Syprus being y^e y^e Land which I bought there called by y^e Name of the Reddocks next to be measured from the outside thereof, next unto y^e Land of m^r Bar Hawley, also I give unto my s^d Godson a gun and a son to be divided the next Year after my decease if he shall be then living. Item I give & bequeath unto my Son George Smith & to his heirs, for ever all y^e residue and remayner of my s^d parcel of Land lying at y^e Syprus called by the name of John Rods Neck, after y^e one hundred Acres of Land before by me bequeathed being first taken out. Item I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Jane Smith and to her heirs, for ever one hundred Acres of Land, to begin at my m^d bred adjoyning upon the Land of Christopher Reynolds measuring for y^e breadth thereof towards my now dwelling house, the s^d Land first length from y^e Creek side not to extend into y^e Land before by me bequeathed to my two Sons Arthur & Rich. Smith, but y^e quantity to be made up my breadth

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Breadth. I then I give and bequeath unto my son Thomas Smith, and to his
 heirs forever, all y^e Rents and Remainders of my Land whatsoever, Except
 what is already before by me conveyed (which is already taken up
 by patent together with all houses, buildings and trees upon y^e same
 provided always, that y^e several Stocks of Cattle that shall hereafter belong
 to my above named Children be may be maintained kept upon all my s^d Land, until
 they shall attain to their several Ages to witte y^e same as is hereafter
 expressed, without y^e least molestation of hindrance of y^e s^d Thomas his heirs
 or assigns, Also I give and bequeath unto my s^d son Tho: Smith
 my Gold Ring of Gold & two Crowns & two horses and a bull and two brace
 of my Sower, being all m^{ch} of my s^d son's m^{ch}, a feather bed with y^e furniture
 belonging to it, a gun and all my Books to be delivered unto him immediately
 after my decease, I then I give and bequeath unto my Godson
 Arthur Griffin, the son of Rob: Griffin my y^esterling Heifer to be
 delivered the next Croke after my decease, if he shall be then living. I then
 I give and bequeath unto my Godson Arthur Taylor the son of W^m Taylor
 one y^esterling Heifer to be delivered likewise the next Croke after my
 decease, if he shall be then living, The Rest and residue of all y^e singular
 my goods (Kittles) Cattle plate & Estate whatsoever, I give and bequeath
 the same and every part thereof to & amongst my s^d Children Thomas
 Smith Arth: Smith. Rich: Smith Sam: Smith and George Smith
 to w^{ch} of y^e s^d and y^e s^d like, as they shall severally attain to y^e age
 of one and twenty years (except only y^e s^d and portion due & belonging
 to y^e s^d and my daughter, which my will and mind is shall be paid & deli:
 vered unto her so soon as she shall attain to y^e full age of Eighteen
 years or be married. And further my will and mind is y^e if any of my s^d
 Children shall happen to depart this life before they shall attain to
 their several ages or afterwards without y^e issue male of their body or
 lawfully begotten, that then y^e s^d and portion of Land to them or any of
 them bequeathed as afores^d shall be, got to & remaine, to y^e heirs Male
 of y^e body of y^e Survivor or Survivors, of them and Every of them
 And also my will and mind is y^e y^e several portions of my children
 especially howe soe it be and y^e like which is not lasting may be
 alienated and disposed of by my exec^r, and overseers hereafter named
 for y^e good and benefit of my s^d Children into any other thing as they
 shall think fitt, as also y^e bringing up my s^d Children in the fear of
 God & to be bound to write & Read, & for it to be direction & order

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Tender care of my s.^d Exec^r. & Overseers, & Doi hereby make and
ordain my s.^d Son Tho Smith Sole Exec^r. of this my last will & Test^{am}
and my wish and mind is that y^e benefit of my Estate, after apparition
made shall be and redound to y^e use of all my Children & y^e like
Excepting only the Legacies before before bequeathed to y^e s.^d Thomas my
Son and for y^e Overseers of this my s.^d last will & Testam^t. Doi hereby
nominate and appoint my s.^d Friends Peter Hull m.^r Peter Knight
son, George Hardy. Requesting them to be aiding & assisting unto my
s.^d Exec^r. in y^e performance of this my last will & Testam^t. as my trust
is in them, & Doi hereby give and bequeath unto every of them
Twenty Shillings a peece to make them Bring in Remembrance of
me. And Doi hereby utterly forsake and renounce all former wills
by me either made or spoken. In witness whereof I have here-
unto set my hand and Seale y^e first day of Octob. Anno Domⁱ 1645

Sealed, Signed, Delivered
in y^e presence of us
Benjamin Burckley
James Rother
Robt. Croft

Arthur Smith. Seale

February ye 9th 1693.

Recorded by order of the Isle of
Wight Courts as for disburse reasons
laid downe in the booke of orders of
this date, will more fully appear.

(Test: Hugh Davis & Cur)

I Robt. Hen of v^{er}paris of Isle of Wight County being sicke & weak
but in perfect memory, doe appoint this my last will & Testam^t. do give
my soul into y^e mercy of my Maker & Redeemer; by whose merits & passion
I hope to be eternally saved, And my Body to be decently buried, I give
my Loving Son Elizabeth Hen the 1st of my Land on this side y^e
Runn known lye vpon to her and Lawfull Heir. I give y^e west
of my Land on y^e other side the Runn lying vpon Peter Benton
Land unto my Loving Son Robt. Hen to her and her Lawfull Heir
I give all my moveable Estate, so be equally divided unto my two
Loving Sons Mary Hen & Martha Hen to them & their
Heir. I give unto my God Daughter Elizabeth Gray the daughter