in his Last Will & Testament

In Presence of us

Elizabeth + Spiller
her Mark

Thomas Lovell

John Cherrike

June Court 1753 The Above Will was
Ordered to be Recorded as the Last
Will & Testament

In the Name of God Amen the Seventh day of March
in the Year of our Lord 1753 I Edmund Ashby of the Borough
and County of Norfolk being Sick in Body but in perfect Sense
and Memory thanks be to God for it and calling to Mind the
Mortality of my Body and knowing that it is Appointed for all
men once to Die to make and Ordain this my Last Will and
Testament that is to say Principally and first of all I give &
Recommend my Soul into the Hands of God that Gave it & my
Body I recommend it to the Earth to be Buryed in a Christian
like Manner at the Discretion of my Executors Nothing Doubting But

at the General Resurrection I shall Receive the Same Again by
the Mighty Power of God And as touching Such Worldly Estate as
it Hath Pleased God to Bless me in this Life I Give and Devise and
Dispose of the Same in the following Manner & Form and after
the Payment of my Just Debts I Leave to my Loving Wife Ruth
my Negroes Horses and all Moveables as I am now possessed with
during her Natural Life and after her Decease to return to my
if she not being with Child at the time of his decease to that
Sisters Children Mary Dixon and James Dixon and to my Brother
James Ashley's Son James my Estate to be Divided to my Sister
Daughter Mary Dixon and the other half to be Equally Divided
between the two boys James Dixon and James Ashley Son of
my Brother James I Leave for Executors Phillip Dixon and
John Goyle of this my Last Will and Testament of the above
Negroes Horses and all Moveables as I am now possessed with
and I do Disallow and Revoke Utterly all former Wills —
Bequests and Confirming this to be and no other my Last

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between the two Boys James Dixon and James Ashley Son of
my Brother James I Leave for Executors Philip Dixon and
John Goyle of this my Last Will and Testament of the above
Negroes Horses and All Moveables as Jam now possessed with
and I do Disallow and Revoke All Forme Wills
Bargains and Confirming this to be and no other my Last
Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set
my hand & Seal the Day & Year Above Written

James Ashley

Edmund Ashley & Seal

William Guy

Elizabeth Ashley

NB The Interlineation in Sixth or 7th Line Was Done before
Signed

Jan^y Court 1753 Above Will Proved & Ordered to be Recorded &
Ord^d Book

Test Sam^l Bayly Cl^k