

In the Name of God, Amen, John Smith of the
County of Norfolk in the Colony of Virginia being in sound mind and memory
blessed be God and knowing that it is appointed for all Men once to die Do
make and Ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner ~~and~~ following
First I recommend my Soul to God that gave it, and my Body from whence it
was taken to be Buried in Christian like manner and as to what Worldly
Estate it has pleased God to Endow me with I do give and Bequeath in manner
and form following.

Imprimis I Give and Bequeath unto my Son Henry Smith the plantation
whereon I now live with one hundred and eighty five Acres of Land with the
Appurtenances according to the known Bounds thereof. I also give my
said Son Henry one Negro Boy Will to him and his Heirs lawfully begott
-en forever.

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Son George Smith One hundred and eighty
Acres of Land being the same Land with the Appurtenances according to

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Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Son George Smith One hundred and eighty
Acres of Land being the same Land with the Appurtenances according to
the known Bounds whereon he my said son George has settled I also Give
unto my said Son George Smith one Negro Man named Harry, also one
Negro Girl named Hannah with her Increase to him and his Heirs
lawfully begotten forever

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my son John Smith one Negro Girl called
Grace with her Increase which he has now in his possession also one
Negro Boy called Toney to him and his Heirs forever.

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my son Peter Smith one Negro Girl called
Rhoda with her Increase which he has in his possession also one
Negro Boy called Ambrose to him and his Heirs for ever.

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my son Samuel Smith one Negro Girl called
Sus also one Negro Girl called Jude with their Increase to him His Heirs for ever.

Item I Give and Bequeath the use of one Negro Girl called Pleasant unto my Daughter
Mary Halstead during her Natural Life, But after her Decease I do give the
said Negro Pleasant and her Increase unto my Grandson Smith Halstead
and his Heirs Lawfully Begotten But in case my said Grandson Smith
Halstead should die without Issue then the said Negro Pleasant and her
Increase to return to my Family.

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Mary Halstead the Use of one
Negro called Rose and one Negro Girl called Violet with their Increase

one negro girl called Violet with her increase during her natural life. But after her Decease I do give the Negroes Rose and Violet with their Increase unto my Grandson Mathew Halstead and his Heirs lawfully Begotten, But for want of such I give them to return to my own Family.

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Elizabeth Spivy one Negro Woman called Hannah during her natural life and after her Decease to my Granbaughton Sarah Spivy and her Heirs for ever.

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Granddaughter Mary Spivy one Negro Boy called David to her and her Heirs forever only reserving the use of the said Negro David to my Daughter Elizabeth during her life.

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Grandson John Smith son of my son Henry Smith one Negro Girl called Lydia and to his Heirs forever.

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my two Grandsons John and Malachi Smith the sons of my son Henry Smith one Negro Woman named Joan with her Increase to be equally divided between them & their Heirs for ever.

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Granddaughter Patty Smith one Negro

to my own Family.

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Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Granddaughter Batty Smith one Negro Girl called Begg with her Increase but in case my said Granddaughter Batty should die without Issue then the said Negro Begg and her Increase to return to my own Family.

Item

Item I give the use of the remaining part of my Estate not before given unto my
Loving Wife Mary Smith during her Natural life and after her Decease to
be equally Divided between all my Children Viz Henry Smith, George
Smith, John Smith, Peter Smith, Samuel Smith, Elizabeth Spivy and
Mary Halstead to them and their Heirs for ever and my desire is that
they my said Children get two or three good Men as they shall think
proper to put and lay the same into as Equal Lots for each one as may
be, and that they divide the same without any disputes or uneasiness.

And for the true performing every part, matter, or thing contained in
this my last Will and Testament I do appoint and ordain my Son George
Smith to be my Sole Executor, utterly revoking and disannulling all other
Wills by me made. In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my Hand &
Seal this Fifteenth Day of December One thousand seven hundred Sixty
five.

Sign'd Seal'd and declared by the said
John Smith to be his last Will &
Testament in presence of

his
John D. Smith and Seal
mark

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Testament in presence of

^{his} John D Smith and Seal
mark

Richard Silvester

Edward Strong

^{his} Charles Stewart
mark

^{his} Josiah T. Cushing
mark

Norfolk County At a Court held the 20th Day of June 1766

The last Will and Testament of John Smith Deceased was this day proved
by the Oath of Richard Silvester, Charles Stewart and Josiah Cushing and ordered
to be Recorded. George Smith Executor therein named having taken the Oath
and given Bond and Security according to Law: Certificate for Obtaining
a Probate is granted him on the said Will.

/s/ Sam^l

Test Sam^l Marsh