

In the Name of God Amen I George Hancock of the parish of Linthorpe in the County of  
Principals are being very sick & weak in body of sound & perfect memory praised be to God for  
I cannot knowing the uncertainty of this life on earth & that all flesh must yield unto death  
whonit shall please God to call for I give & recommend my body to the Earth from whence it  
was taken to be buried in such decent & Christian like manner as of discretion of my Exors  
hereafter named & as for my soul I commit into the hands of my Creator Trusting through the  
merits of my blessed Lord & Saviour Jesus Christ to receive full pardon for all my sins  
past & the Touching such worldly Estate as I have in his mercy hath bestowed upon me far above  
my deserts I give & send after all my Just debts & funeral Expenses paid in manner & form  
as followeth. — I Give & bequeath unto my Son John Hancock all my Land & place  
whereon I now live unto him & his heirs for ever to go as far as a road that runs through  
my Land that leads to Joseph White & Rudolphus Malbone and no further. It I Give &  
bequeath unto my Son Robert Hancock all my other Land on the other side of said road unto  
him & his heirs for ever. It I Give & bequeath unto my loving wife Barbara Hancock the  
use of all my Land during her natural life but that my said wife shall not molest or  
interrupt either of my said Sons from building upon any part of their Land or working of  
it I Give & bequeath unto my two Sons John & Robert Hancock to each of them one young Cow when they shall come of age & that I do declare &  
appoint what I have here given to my two Sons by this my will to be their full part & share  
of my Estate. — I Give & bequeath unto my loving wife & my three daughters Mary  
Elizabeth & Barbara Hancock all the rest of my Estate that is not already given by this my will  
to be equally divided between them as my several Children shall come of age or day of marriage  
age which I shall first happen and I do likewise make ordain & constitute & appoint my  
loving wife Barbara Hancock my whole & sole Exor of this my last will & Testament I  
witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this thirtieth day of January 1719

Witnessed & signed in presence of Principals At a Court hold the 7<sup>th</sup> Septemb<sup>r</sup> 1720  
George Hancock & John Hancock  
John White John Richmond  
Rich<sup>d</sup> Crompton  
Prin<sup>cs</sup> Anne Courby Wills 1744 1724  
who made oath thereto & being proved by 4<sup>th</sup> oath of  
Rich<sup>d</sup> Crompton one of 4<sup>th</sup> witnesses thereto is ordered to be Recorded