

in the profession of Alice Achem or John Gardner Senr of View of Value the same
According to Law and that he be accordingly possessed thereof,
March the 1st 1697/8, We the Subscribers in Obedience to this order have
Laid out one Acre of Land and Valued the same to forty Pounds of Tobacco

Wm Cox Robert Brummett

In The Name of God Amen I James Hardwick of the County of Westmoreland
in Parish of Copth, being sick and weak in body, but of Sound & perfect memory
doe make this my last Will and Testament in manner and form Following first
I give and bequeth my Soule to God that gave it me, hoping through the Merits
of my redemption, that I shall receive Eternal life & my body to the Earth from
whence it come to be decently buried according to the Discretion of my Executors
hereafter named and as for such worldly Goods as God of his Mercy hath been
Pleased to Lend me, I do give and bequeth in manner and form Following
First I give and bequeth unto my Son William Hardwick, the Land & Plantation
whereon I now live, to him this heirs forever, 2nd I give & bequeth unto my
Son Joseph Hardwick the plantation that I formerly bought of Richard
Sturman and half the Tract of Land joining to the plantation I give to him
and his heirs forever, and all my wearing Apparell, 3rd I give and bequeth
unto my Daughter ~~Elizabeth~~ Lydia Hardwick the other half of that Tract of
Land that I formerly bought of Richard Sturman, to her and her heirs forever
Likewise I give to my Daughter Lydia my Gold ring, my silver candle cup
and my Silver Spoon, 4th I give and bequeth unto my Son Joseph Hard-
wick my silver hilted Sword and belt that was given me by Captain William

Hardwick and that he shall be free immediately after my decease, and receive the
 rent of his said Plantation for to maintain him, till he comes to the age of
 fourteen, then to take his Land and his Estate, to his own possession. 5th I be-
 queath to my Wife's Daughter Anne one Shilling in full of my whole
 Estate, 6th my Will is that my Daughter Lydia Hardwick be and remain with
 my Son William Hardwick till she comes to the age of fourteen, then to
 be free, & have full power to take her Estate into her own Possession, 7th
 my Will is that my whole personal Estate, that hath not been yet divided
 between my Son William Hardwick, my Wife, Ann Hardwick & Joseph Hardwick
 and Lydia Hardwick and Thomas Hardwick and James Hardwick, 8th my
 Will is that my Brother Joseph Hardwick, Henry Asbury, John Wright &
 Benjamin Blanchflower, be equally divide the abovesaid Land, between
 my Son Joseph Hardwick & my Daughter Lydia Hardwick as soon as
 they shall think fit, and that they will be pleased to take and Inventory of my
 whole estate immediately after my decease 9th I do nominate, make,
 ordain and appoint my Son William Hardwick to be my whole & sole
 Executor of this my last Will and Testament, and that he procure this my last
 Will the first Court, and that the Court will be so kind to take good security
 of him for the performance of this my last Will & Testament, In Witness
 hereunto I have hereunto subscribed my name & affixed my seal this 7th

day of February 1698

Signed Seal & Delivered in presence of us

James Hardwick

Tho. Thompson, Charles Smith, Imp. Blanchflower

and Lydia Hardwick and Thomas Hardwick and James Hardwick, & My
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Signed Seal & Delivered in presence of us James Hardwick
Tho. Thompson, Charles Smith, Jm^r: Blanchflower
Westmoreland Co^{ty}

At a Court held for said County the 30th day of March 1698
The Last Will and Testament of James Hardwick above named
was this day proved by the Oaths of Thomas Thompson & Charles Smith, Witnesses
thereto and a probate thereof granted to William Hardwick, Executor
therein named, and the Will ordered to be Recorded

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James Westcomb CWC