

Sp^r Atwell
Will

In the name of God Amen! I, Thomas Atwell of the parish of Cople
in the County of Westmoreland, Gent^l being of good, sound and perfect memory
and considering the uncertainty of this life and certainty of my departure
out of it, do make, constitute, ordain and appoint this my last will and
testament in manner and form following (viz^t) First, I give my soul into the
hands of Almighty God, hoping by the mediation of my blessed savior Jesus
Christ, to receive it again at the resurrection of the dead, my body I
give to the Earth to be decently buried. And for my worldly goods I dis-
pose, will and bequeath as followeth. Item - I give and bequeath unto
my loving brother Francis Atwell my best feather bed, bolster & furniture there-
unto belonging to him and his heirs forever. Item. I give and bequeath unto
my loving brother John Atwell my best riding horse, with bridle & saddle
 pistols, holsters & furniture thereunto belonging, my sword and belt and
cane with all my wearing apparel of what kind soever as hats & other
things unto him his heirs & assigns forever. Item. all the rest of my
estate, real and personal as land and house hold stuff, cattle, sheep
horses, mares, hogs and what ever else I am now possessed of give and
bequeath unto my son Francis Atwell and to his heirs forever, And it is
my will and desire that my said loving brother Francis Atwell doth im-
mediately after my decease take my said son Francis Atwell, into his
care, custody and tuition until he attains to the age of sixteen years
together with my said Estate real and personal by this my last will
to him bequeathed, to be disposed of to the best advantage, use, profit,
advantage and interest of my said son during his minority and yearly
and every year, render an account of the profits and loss thereof be-
fore the worshipful her Majesties Justices of the peace for the times
being, at the Court held every year for the said County of Westmoreland
either at December or January Court, and if it should so happen that
there should arise any sum or sums of tobacco more than for the con-
venient education of my said son during his minority, that then it
is my will that the said sums of tobacco shall be laid out & disposed
of to purchase land or servants against my said son comes to the age
of sixteen, he being of the age of five years the eleventh day of June
hence next following after the date hereof. It is my will and desire

he should be carefully and constantly kept to schooling and teaching after my decease until he attains to the age of twelve years and it is my will that if my said son Francis Atwell happens to die before he attains to the age of sixteen years I will and bequeath all my Estate real and personal given to my said son Francis Atwell unto Thomas Atwell son of said brother John Atwell when he shall attain to the age of one and twenty years, and if it should happen that the said Thomas Atwell son of the said John Atwell should die before he attains to the age of one and twenty years, then it is my will and I give and bequeath all my said Estate unto Ann Pye daughter of John Pye deceased Francis and Hannah Tanner, daughters of Mary + Thomas Tanner, to be equally divided between them, and the survivors of them and to their heirs forever, and do make, constitute, ordain and appoint my said living brother Francis Atwell whole and sole Executor of this my last will and testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the thirteenth day of March 1702.

Signed, sealed & delivered in the presence of us, Thomas Mason Thos Tanner
Joseph Beale John Gray

Thomas Atwell Seal

Westmoreland S.S.

At a Court held for the said County the 26th day of May 1702.

The last will and testament of Thomas Atwell, Gent^e dec^d within written was proved by the oaths of John Gray and Joseph Beale and a probat thereof granted Francis Atwell Executor in the said will named.

Test

Ja. Westcomb clerk Per

Recordatj primo die Junij 1702.

Per Cundmbleium