

In the Name of God Amen I Daniel High-
smith of the County of Halifax in the Province of North
Carolina being of Sound and Perfect Mind & Memory
(thanks be to God) but Calling to Mind the Mortality
of Mankind and Knowing it is appointed for all men
once to die do make Ordain Constitute and appoint
this my last will and Testament in Maner and form
following to wit / First I leave to my wife Ann
Highsmith the use of the plantation and all the land
thereunto belonging during her Natural life and after her
Decease I Give and bequeath my 2^d plantation & all the
Land thereunto belonging to be equally divided Between
my two sons Daniel Highsmith and James Highsmith
about their heirs or assigns for ever Item, I Give and
bequeath to my Grand son William Highsmith son of
John Highsmith five Shillings, Item, I Give and
bequeath to my daughter Mary Irwin five Shillings
Item, I Give and bequeath to my daughter Sarah
Rogers five Shillings, Item, I Give and bequeath
to my daughter Patrick Highsmith five Shillings
Item, I Give and bequeath to my daughter Indre
Rain five Shillings, Item, I Give and bequeath
to my daughter Eliz. Sheppard five Shillings, Item, I
Give to my daughter Lydia Fair five Shillings
Item, I Give and bequeath to my daughter Ann
Brady five Shillings, Item, I Give and bequeath
the Remainder of my whole Estate consisting of every
Kind whatsoever that is not herein before mentioned or
Given in Legacies to be Equally divided Between my
wife Ann Highsmith ^{Eliza} and my two daughters
Ann Highsmith and Martha Highsmith their
heirs or assigns for ever Lastly I nominate
Constitute and appoint my wife Ann Highsmith
Executor and executrix of my will Daniel Highsmith

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to my Daughter David Highsmith five Shillings
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to my Daughter Eliz. Sheppard five Shillings, Item, I
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Wife Ann Highsmith and my two Daughters —
Anne Highsmith and Martha Highsmith their
heirs or assigns for ever Lastly I do nominate
Constitute and appoint my wife Ann Highsmith
Exectrix and my two sons Daniel Highsmith
& James Highsmith Executors to this my last
will and testament in every Parting and
Discharging all C^{ts} and duties due and
Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand
and seal the 8.th Day of March 1771 —

Signed sealed published &
Declared by the said Daniel & James Highsmith
his
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Highsmith to be his last
 will and Testament in
 presence of us —
 Samuel Pace
 W.^m Williams

Malaga } 10th February Court 1772 —
 County

Then this will was exhibited in Open Court
 by Daniel Highsmith one of the Executors and duly approved
 by the Oaths of William Williams a ^{suggesting} witness that when his
 Father did say that he saw the Testator Daniel Highsmith
 sign & call this last will and declare the same to be his last will
 and Testament & that he together with Samuel Pace the
 other witness subscribed severally their respective names
 as witnesses thereto in the presence of the Testator and at his
 Request whereupon the Executor aforementioned is all duly
 qualified & in motion Ordered to be Recorded —

Test. J^{ts} Montfort C. C. J.
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