

appears to depart this life without issue, then my will
 and mind is that all such part of my real & personal Estate
 as is by this my will given & bequeathed to my two Sons
 shall go and remain to my two Daughters their Heirs
 Executors and Administrators. Item I do hereby Nominate and
 Appoint my dear and loving Wife and my well beloved
 Son of Capt. William Mead & My dear Son Mr. James
 Rowen to be Guardians of my two Daughters untill they
 shall attain their Age of One & Twenty Years & to be full
 Executors of this my last Will in Trust for my two Sons
 during their Minority, and I do give unto my two Trustees one
 Power that to each of them in Case they shall die in the
 said Trust for their Care and Pains therein I am fully
 hereby Committed and make void all former and other will and
 Wills by me at any Time hitherto made and do make and
 Confirm this to be my last Will & Testament In Witness
 whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and Seal this seven-
 teenth day of Decemr. Anno Domini 1696 and in the Eighth
 year of E. Reign of King William the third over England etc.

Phil Dewitt

Sealed & Declared for as a last will & Testament of J. P. Philip
 Dewitt in y^e Presence of us who did subscribe our names as
 witnesses hereunto in y^e Presence of J. P. Philip Dewitt at y^e
 Intestment of J. P. James Rowen as one of y^e Witnesses and
 Deceased in July
 Nathell White, Arthur Smith, Caleb Aldred, Jos. Brown

Veris

Attest the Hon^{ble} Court Sam^l Gardner
 Jun^r Governor this seventeenth day of October in the year of our
 Lord One Thousand Six Hundred Ninety and Seven personally
 appeared J. P. Arthur Smith & Cap^t Joseph Rodde two of
 the Witnesses to y^e within will who did both swear and Depose upon
 the Holy Evangelists o^f Almighty God that they were Present and
 did see Philip Dewitt within mentioned sign, Seal, Publish and
 Declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and that he
 was of perfect Sense and Memory when he did it to y^e best of their
 Believements Judgment, who do both further Depose that they saw Nathell
 White & Caleb Aldred at y^e same time subscribe as witnesses to the
 said will

Arthur Smith
 Jos. Brown

Copia vero recitata this 9th of Oct. 1699
 John Goodwin Clerk Sec^y

Sworne before me y^e day
 of Year above written
 Samuel Gardner

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To all to whom these Pres^{ts} shall Come or y^e same shall be
 heard or read Edward Tate Esq^r Lieut. Gen^l & Commander in Chief
 in and over his Majesty's Land & Militia Forces in America
 send greeting. KNOW YE that on y^e 14th day of June
 Smuggin Jun^r sworn Deputy Secy^y and Notary and Tabellion Publick
 o^f y^e Island of New Hampshire a person of good fame and worthy of Credit
 personally appeared before me and did swear and Depose upon the
 Holy Evangelists of almighty God that y^e foregoing will of Capt.
 Philip Dewitt from and the Probate thereof is a true & exact
 Copy taken out of y^e Record of this Island. In Testimony whereof
 I the said Notary have hereunto set my Hand and Seal
 my Seal at Portsmouth in y^e Office Dated in New Hampshire
 day of November in y^e Twelfth year of y^e Reign of our Sovereign
 Lord William the Third King of England etc. Anno Domini 1700

Edward Tate

The foregoing Will, Probate & Testimonial Records Jan^y 23rd 1700
 P. Henry Wadsworth Esq^r

Received from Abraham Wright seven penny
 Sixteen Shill^{ings} Curr^{ent} money w^{ch} is in full for Church dues and
 tithes due of said sold Abraham Wright by me w^{ch} said
 Land is situate upon y^e North side of Ashley River formerly the
 Land of John Whorpe I say received this 25th day of July
 Anno Domini 1696

Ja. Moore Receiver

Recorded Feb^y 9th Inst 1700
 P. Henry Wadsworth Esq^r

Ex^{tra} L^{ic}ence Charles Town in Carolina Augst 15th 1700

At Twenty days after sight of this my first Bill of Exchange
 my said friend did this not being paid pay or can be paid
 unto M^r John Tammell or M^r Andrew Tammell or to his or their
 Order the sum of Fifty Pound for y^e value received of Cap^t Benjamin
 Blackledge and place it to y^e account of y^e said most due full value
 W^{itness} my hand
 To Dan Sergeant Esq^r
 In Boston, New England

At y^e Ninth day of October Anno Domini 1700 at y^e
 Request of M^r Andrew Tammell & John Valentine sole Notary and
 Tabellion Publick for his Majesty's Province of y^e Massachusetts
 Bay in New England by Authority admitted and sworn

Exhibit 4 Original Bill of Exchange, a true
whereof is above written, unto Peter Sergeant Esq. to whom
a Bill is directed, demanding Payment of y^e same of the
Time limited in d^e Bill being expired since presentation
by me Henry Wigington for Acceptance who informed he had no
advise of y^e d^e Bill is therefore I have Protested and I do
hereby solemnly Protest ag^t Henry Sergeant Drawer of d^e
Bill and ag^t all others whom it shall, touch or may Concern in
Exchange & Rechange and for all Costs, Damages & Interest at
Lawful interest or otherwise or to be suffered or sustained
for want of Payment of d^e Bill Thus done Published
and Protested at my Office in Boston this 9th of Feb^r above
In y^e Presence of y^e Witnesses, subscribed

Henry
Wigington

Notary
Seal

Attestor manu ac sigillo Regibus

W^m Valentine: Not^{us} Publicus

Recorded Feb 9th Eighth 1700

Henry Wigington D^r

Ex^{tra} L^{etter} from Charles-Town in Carolina Augst 15 1700

At Twenty days after sight of this my first Bill
of Exchange my second y^e third not being Paid may pay
or cause to be paid unto Mr. John Pennell or Mr. And^{er} Pennell
or to his or their Order the sum of £. 50. Bound for y^e Value value
of Capt. Ben^{jamin} Blackledge and place it to Acct^{ts} of N^{or}

y^e most dutie full
W^m Sergeant

W^m Sergeant

Peter Sergeant Esq.
in Boston New England.

Recorded at y^e Secret^{ary} Office Feb 9th 4th Eighth 1700

Henry Wigington D^r

Carolina

Now all e Men by these Presents that I do hereby give and
this Province Planter as well for a m Consideration of y^e Natural Love & affection which I have
a heart to my son Ralph Ames Esq. of said Province Planter as for divers other good Causes
a Consideration me thereunto moving have given granted allowed conveyed confirmed
a by these Presents do fully clearly & absolutely give grant alien, assign, convey confirm
Assign & sell over unto my said son Ralph Ames all that my Plantation whereon I now
direct containing three hundred acres of Land & Situate lying & being near y^e River
Northernmost branch of Roanoke River in Edenton County, together with all y^e houses & other
Privileges Profits & Commodities now remaining growing or being on y^e same & all
to hold y^e said three hundred acres of Land & all & singular y^e houses & appurtenances to
y^e same belonging or by any manner of waies or means appertaining unto my said son Ralph
Ames of my decease & to his heirs Executors, Assignees to him & their own prop^{erty}
uses & behoofs for ever, Excepting y^e Crop of Corn & other Provisions which
at my decease shall or may be on y^e said Plantation, In Witness whereof & for
confirmation of these Presents I have at y^e Dyeing & delivery hereof given unto
my said son my Seal & have herunto set my hand & Seal this 22nd of October Anno Dⁿⁱ 1700

Sealed and Delivered

In the Presence of
Thomas Elliott
Jacob Deamer
Thomas Drayton
James Witter

Themark of Ralph Ames

Memorandum this eighth day of February Anno Dⁿⁱ 1700
Came & appeared before me Mr. James Witter who declared according to y^e
form of his Profession & Thomas Elliott who upon his Oath in y^e holy Evangelists
taken say that they did see & were personally Present when Ralph Ames y^e Grant
did sign, Seal, & as his Act & deed deliver y^e abovewritten deed of Gift to his son
Ralph Ames y^e Grantee therein mentioned & y^e was Intents & Purposes therein
contained.

Cap^t et Jurat for me Henry Wigington D^r Secret^{ary}

Recorded February the Tenth Anno Dⁿⁱ 1700

Henry Wigington D^r Secret^{ary}