The Last Will and Testament of Edward Smith Junr. In the name of God Amen the twenty ninth of March in the year of our Lord one thousand six hundred and eighty seaven. I Edward Smith Planter in Maryland being of whole minde and perfect memory Laude and praise be unto Almighty God make ordaine this my present Testament concerning here my last Will in manner and forme following that is to say. First I Comend my soule to God my Maker and redeemer and my body to be buried in an inclosed piece of ground I will that all my debts and duties that I owe of right or Conscience to any person or persons be well and truely Contented and paid by my Executors hereafter named or else to be paid without any delay or Contradition and after my debts paid I will and doe bequeath unto my deare wife Pearice Smith one feather bead and furniture belonging unto it and tenn head of Cattle I doe bequeath unto my wife wch Cattle are of my fathers proper marke with all their increase forever and I doe bequeath unto my unckle Samuell Showell son Charles one Cow and to my unkle Showells daughter Mary one Cow which Cows are property of my fathers marke and my will is thatt all the females of these that I have given to my unkle Showells Children shall run on for there use for ever. –

And I doe bequeath unto my wife six head of horses and mares with all there increase forever. –

And I doe bequeath unto my dear mother my riding horse called by the name of Button. –

And I doe bequeath unto Jonathan Showell & Arnwell Showell one feather bed & furniture. –

And Lastly I doe bequeath all my other goods and moveables to my deare wife excepting my hand mill, that is when my wife doth marrye against thatt then my hand mill shall be delivered unto my brother Samuell Innis his son Cornelius Innis for it is my free gift unto him and I make & ordaine Edward Wale and Nathaniell Innis my Executors and I bequeath out of all my legacies all of them to beare a part for their Charges and labour. In Testimony of this being my last Will and testamt. I here sett my my hand and seale before the witnesses –

Signed sealed before us
the marke I of John Snow
William Tomkins
George Latcham

Edward Smith (seale)

August the 19th 1687. –

Then was Edward Smithes Will to this paper belonging proved in Comon forme by the Oathes of John Snow, William Tomkins & George Latcham before me

Will Stevens

August the 19th 1687.

Then was administered the Oath of Executor to Edward Wale & Nathaniell Innis in Comon forme of the last Will & testament of Edward Smith Junior deceased by me. Will Stevens

To the hon^ble The Comissaryes

In the name of God Amen. This day being the 2d day of March in the 11th yeare of the dominion of the Rt. hon^ble Charles Absolute Lord and proprty. of Maryland and Avalon Lord Baron of Baltimore &c Annoq. Domini 1686 – Allexander Williams being sicke and weake of body but praised be God of sound & perfect memory knowing the uncertainty of my frail life and thereupon desirous to settle things in order before I leave the same doe now make this my last Will & testamt. in manner & forme following, That is to say first and principally I Comitt my soule unto the hands of my blessed Creator and precious Redeemer Jesus Christ & my body

to the earth from whence it was taken to be buryed in such decent order as to my Exors hereafter named and appointed shall be thought met & Convenient, and as touching such worldly Estate as hath pleased God to allot me, This my Will and now my intent and meaning is that the same shall be bestowed and imployed as hereafter by this my Will is expressed & noe otherwise, wherefore I doe now revoake renounce and make utterly null and void any and all Wills by me formerly made & doe make evident and declare this my last Will & testament.

Item. I give and bequeath unto my only sonne Charles Williams all and wholly the Land and Plantacon Plantations on which I am now settled together with all the rights profitts and benefitts unto the said Land & plantations in any wise belonging or appertaining I give and bequeath the same without exception or reservacon unto my said son and his heires forever. –

Item. I give and bequeath unto my only daughter Elizabeth Fancitt six Cows one hillable Mare two steers of two years old three heiffers and one white mare with and every the increase of the said Cattle and of the said mare I give and bequeath the same unto her my said daughter and her heires forever to be possessed of the said Cattle and the said mare by my Exors or trustees after my decease –

Item. I give and bequeath two Cows & Calves unto my said daughter Elizabeth first-borne child I give & bequeath the said Cowes and all their increase unto the said Child and its heires forever to be possesed of the s^d Cattle by my Ex^rs as afores^d after my decease –

Item I give and bequeath unto my sonne Charles Williams all and wholly and singularly my pson^all Estate and my Estate of moveables that is to say my servant boy and my servant maid all and wholly my stocke of horses and Cattle except wch I have given to my daughter aforesaid together with my stock of Swine and all other living Creatures as also all and wholly my goods houshold staff tools utensell thing & all things whatsoever nothing excepted or reserved except one third part of all my lining the wch third part of all my lining I give and bequeath unto my said daughter Elizabeth to be possessed thereof as aforesaid and my son Charles in like manner to be possesed in and every part and parcell of what I have bestowed on him by my Ex^rs after my decease. –

Item I give and bequeath unto my s^d sonn Charles all wholly and singularly such debts as are now due or owe unto me from any pson or psons willing and requiring him my said son as a dying father that dearly loves him to take and follow the advice of my Executors at all times as occasion shall require & noth prodigally or extravagantly to make away the Estate left and bestowed upon him – Item and Lastly my Will and meaning is that all the just debts wch I am owing shall be truely paid and then that this my last Will and testam^t be observed fullfiled and Executed according to the true intent and meaning thereof and the same to be officiated by my trusty and well beloved friends Mr. Charles Ratcliffe and Mr. Thomas Pointer who I leave my Executors and Committ my son to their care and love Amen. –

Signed sealed in presence of
Thomas Selbee, Senr.
John I Bishopp
Thomas T Selbie Junr.
Francis Atkinson

Allexander V Williams (seale)

On ye back of s^d Will was endorsed as followeth. –

August the 19th 1687.

Then was the last Will & testam^t of Alexand^r Williams deceased in Comon forme proved by the oathes of Thomas Selbie Senr. John Bishopp Thomas Selbie Junr & Francis Atkinson before me –

Will Stevens