VA.029 THE WILL OF RICHARD HILL OF ESSEX COUNTY (PROVED 15TH NOVEMBER 1784 (WROTE 24TH SEPTEMBER 1784 IN WILL BOOK 13, PAGE 450).

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Note of Explanation: There were five Hills listed in Essex County and their parents were not listed, thus they are listed as the 1st (known) generation. This included Leonard Hill 1/, John Hill 1/, Richard Hill 1/, Mary Hill 1/, and Ann Hill 1/.

Leonard Hill 1/ had a son named Leonard Hill 2/ and a grandson (by son Leonard 2/) also named Leonard Hill 3/. Thus there was a father, son and grandson and are known by genealogist as Leonard Hill one, two and three.

However this becomes somewhat confusing in the fact that the brother to Leoanrd Hill 1/, John Hill 1/, also named a son Leonard Hill 2/ and while he was of the 2nd (known generation), he is called Leonard Hill "the 4th."

Now relating to this will...this particular Richard Hill 2/ (2nd generation) was a son of John Hill 1/ (1st known generation) and therefore Leonard Hill 1/ and Richard Hill 1/ were his uncles.

Thus Richard Hill 2/ was the "nephew" named in the will of his uncle Richard Hill's 1/ will (proved 20th August 1764), and was therefore a brother to Leonard Hill 2/ (2nd generation) but known by genealogist as Leonard Hill (the 4th) and the son of John Hill 1/.

WILL OF RICHARD HILL 2/ (SON OF JOHN HILL 1/)

THE WILL OF RICHARD HILL OF ESSEX COUNTY (PROVED 15TH NOVEMBER 1784 (WROTE 24TH SEPTEMBER 1784 IN WILL BOOK 13, PAGE 450).

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN, I RICHARD HILL being very sick and weak but of perfect sense and memory, do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament...

First I give my sole (soul) to God who made it and my body to

be buried as my Executors one (own?) discression and my worly goods I dispose of as folloeth (followeth)..

ITEM...I lend to my beloved wife all my estate during her natural life-except one colt that came of my Shandy mare I give to my son HUMPHREY HILL.

ITEM...I give to my son ROBERT HILL one colt when he comes to the age of Twenty One years or cash to purchase one of ten pounds value and my sons LEWIS HILL and JOHN HILL the same.

ITEM...My desire is that my daughters ELIZABETH HILL and MARY ANN HILL, PHEBY HILL, PEGEY (PEGGY) HILL, to receive as they come of age or marry, Fifteen Pounds each made out of the profits of my estate.

ITEM...My desire is that at my wife's decease, that the hole (whole) of my said estate be divided equally between all my children that shall be then living, namely HUMPHREY, ROBERT, LEWIS, JOHN, ELIZABETH, MARY ANN, PHEBY, RICHARD HILL. My desire is that my son RICHARD HILL to be manhand by his mother during her life and if he should be the longest liver that my son HUMPHREY shall receive RICHARD HILL'S part and maintain him and should my son RICHARD out live his brother HUMPHREY that the next oldest son shall do likewise and lastly I apoint my beloved wife and my son HUMPHREY and my friends DAVID PITTS, JAMES SULLIVAN my executors. WITNESS my hand and seal this 24th of September 1784.

(signed by) RICHARD HILL (SEAL)

Test.
JACKSON DYKE
ULESSES SULLIVAN

ULESSES SULLIN JAMES FOGG

At a court for Essex County at Tappahannock on the 15th day of November 1784, this last will and testament of RICHARD HILL, deceased, was offered to proof by MARY HILL and HUMPHRY HILL, two of the Executors therein named and was proved by the oath of JACKSON DYKE and ULESSE SULLIVAN, Witnesses thereto and also by the oath of the said Executors and ordered to be recorded.

Test.

HANCOCK LEE (Clerk)