

VA.067 THE WILL OF COLONEL NICHOLAS HILL.

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WILL DATED: 1st January 1674 PROBATED: 20th October 1675.
WILL SUGNED: 19th April 1675

Will of Major Nicholas Hill, the first day of January 1674:
His body to be buried as near his deceased wife and children as may be;

To his wife Silvester, for life my plantation in Isle of Wight with all the houses, buildings, orchards, and gardens thereto belonging, being bounded betwixt the cart path that goes from the mill belonging to Mr. George Hardy towards the church and the swamp commonly called the Meadwos, with liberty to make use of any timber growing upon the land bought of Col. William Bernard, deceased; after her decease said lands, and to my sonne RICHARD HILL and his heirs, together with all the woodland bounded on the west of the said swamp by Mr. Richard Briggs' and Mr. Edward Beckenoe's land.

Gives to his soone RALPH HILL all the land, houses, bounded by the said cart path that goes from the aforesaid mill towards the church to the head of Lawn's creek, and so along the swamp that goes from the head of said creek to said mill, with all the woodland of 70 acres purchased of Mr. Peter Green, deceased, on the north side of said creek in Surry County.

To son RALPH HILL, the codd of land at Blackwater between Brandch and William Miles, from John Parson's bridge towards Left. George Branch (sic).

To son GEORGE HILL all my woodland, betwixt the aforesaid branch betwixt Mr. Briggs' and Mr. Beckenoe's plantations, and the old cart path that goes from the River side to Blackwater, being the bounds betwixt the land Col. Bacon bought of Thomas Harris and my land;

To son GEORGE HILL "after my wife's decease, or sooner, if she please," all the plantation, & contained in a patent of 750 acres granted to me and my lovong wife in the upper parish of Isle of Wight, being at a place commonly called the Rockds (sic), and running for breadth down towards Pagan

creek; two Negroes to wife SILVESTER for life, and then to son GEORGE HILL, a Negro

To son RALPH HILL; 8,000 pounds of tobacco.

To daughter AGNES HILL; to daughter MARTHA one scarlet mantle bought of Mr. Thomas Gould, deceased;

To wife SILVESTER my silver tankard, with what money and rings she shall be possessed of at my death.

To said wife (Silvester Bennett, 2nd & present wife) one-third part of all goods, chattles, and cattle; residue to my dear and loving children GEORGE, MARTHA, MARY, ANNA, RICHARD, and ELIZABETH HILL equally.

To son NICHOLAS 10,000 pounds of tobacco to be paid at several payments.

To son RALPH 5,000 pounds of tobacco to be paid the next shipping, &c.; land at Blackwater not disposed of to be sold to pay his debts.

to wife (Silvester) and her six children all my lands, moneys, not mentioned in this will belonging to me in either England or Virginia.

My three children by a former wife having an equal proportion of what may fall to me in the Bay.

He makes his wife (Silvester) executor for all that part of the estate belonging to her and her six children.

friends Major James Powell, Mr. Thomas Taberer, Mr. William Bressie and John Jennings overseers of my will. "

I hereunto sett my hand and seal this 19th day of April 1675.

Signed by/Nicholas Hill

Witnesses:

John Grayham

John (I.N.) Newman

his mark

Mary (x) Davis

her mark

Will proved by the oath of Mr. John Newman on 20th October, 1675, and by Mrs. Mary Davis on the 21st of same month & year.

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