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**Volume IV:
Wills
1663 - 1722**

(From the Secretary of State Papers)

**Abstracted by
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my wife MARGIT LARANCE. Daughter RACHEL LARANCE - cows; land after the decease of my wife. Cousin RACHEL SNELLING - cow & calf. Cousin WILLIAM LARANCE - cow & calfe. Wife MARGIT LARANCE - house & plantation. Other legacies.

Ex. brother *ISRAEL* SNELLING, JOHN LARANCE

Wit. FRANCIS JONES JR., CHRAISTIFER LACY, LARANCE(x)HUNT

[Italicized variant is from 874.2/47]

303. PAUL LATHUM 7 Oct 1692 O 31 Jul 1693(before Edward Moor)

Of Albemarle Co. "sick & weak of body"

Wife ELIZABETH LATHUM - negro man Seneca(?); plantation where I now live during her life; ½ my estate. Son GEORGE LATHUM - plantation where I now live after his mother's death; should he die a minor then to my daughter ELIZABETH LATHUM; should she die a minor then to AUGUSTIN the son of JNO. WRIGHT minister.

Ex. wife ELIZABETH LATHUM

Wit. GEORGE FLEMING, MARIA(x)FLEMING, JOHN PHILPOTT

304. WM.(x)LATTY 3 Aug 1701 O 11 Jul 1704(before Thos. Snoden)

[Note: Much of this will is torn away.]

Daughter BARBERY SEAGUE - yearlings. Granddaughtrer MARY LUTTY - cows. Daughter-in-law MARY LATTY - heifer. Son WILLIAM LATTY - cattle, lands & WILLIAM LATTY should have sd land after the decease of his father WILLIAM LATTY JR., but he should have no son then to BARBERRY LATTY & MARY LATTY the daughter of WILLIAM LATTY.

Ex. son WILLIAM LATTY

Wit. PETER GREY SR., PETER GREY JR., THOMAS(x)HOMES

305. JOHN LAWSON gent. 12 Aug 1708 875/39 & 98 (no probate)

Of Bath Co.

"Dearly beloved" HANNAH SMITH - the house I now live in during her life, ⅔ my personal estate in North Carolina. My daughter ISABELLA of Bath Co., & the brother & sister which her mother HANNAH SMITH is with child & "then Every Childe of hers by me" - rest of my estate, when they arrive to age 21 or marry.

Ex. HANNAH SMITH, the Commissioners of the Court of Bath Co.

Wit. WILLIAM(x)HANCOCKE, RICHD. SMITH, JAMES LEIGH

[Note: The copy on p. 98 says Isabella of Bath Town.]

306. JOHN LEAR 21 Nov 1695 O 12 Dec 1695(before Andrew Ross)

Of Nansemond Co. Virginia. "weake in body"

WIDOW PITT my sister - what she owes me. WIDOW PARDUE of Isle of Wight Co. - 100£. Daughters MARTHA BURWELL & ELIZABETH LEAR the widow of my dec'd son THOMAS LEAR - certain personal items. Granddaughter ELIZABETH LEAR - 250 acres in Narrakyquirk(?) Bay which I leased to JAMES GODWIN now in possession of Capt. ROBT. RANDALL for her life & if she has no heir then to JOHN GEORGE or to my grandson JOHN LEAR. CHARLES GOREMGE - 330 acres in Surry Co. which I was about to sell to WILLIAM BROWN; negro boy Charles at Corotan, negro girl Nanny. JOHN GEORGE - negroes Jark, Dido & wife. JAMES MOUNTGOMERE - suit of clothes. Other legacies, including property in England. Mentioned were daughter MARTHA BURWELL & the children she had by COL. COLE; land bought from GEORGE WILLIAMS, the plantation where MATHEW ADAMS(?) did live.

Ex. son-in- Majr. LEWIS BURWELL, friend Capt. THOAMS GODWIN

Wit. WILLIAM(x)COFFEILD, ELIZABETH BRIDGER, ANN(x)COFFEILD

307. MARY LEE wife of Capt. THOMAS LEE & late widow of THOMAS BLOUNT 26 Sep 1716 O

31 Oct 1717(before R. Hicks)