

In ye name of God Amen—I *John Sammis*<sup>25</sup> of ye town of *Huntington* upon Long Island within ye County of Suffolk & Province of New York in America Yeoman being sick in body but having my perfect memory have made this my last Will & testam. in manner & form following—

First—I give & bequeath my soul to God my maker & Redeemer and my body to ye Earth from whence I was taken and all my worldly endowments in manner & form following—

Imprimis—I give & bequeath unto my son *John* all my lands at ye Cove unto ye new pasture with all ye meadow land that I have there belonging or appertaining to me & also one hundred pound right of commonage that I bought of *Joseph Bayley* of *Huntington* to remain to him & his heirs for ever—Also a young horse of 3 or 4 years old & also a yoke of steers come three years old & one cow & a gun y<sup>t</sup> was *Hunvrians* & y<sup>t</sup> gun that was *Johns* to one of my other sons & also a coverlid—

Item—I give & bequeath to my son *Silas* my dwelling house & so much of my orchard as specified from ye West End unto a White oak bush on ye West side of my barn & so across unto brook or end of ye fence of *Epenetus Platt* that turns to ye norward only *Silas* to allow unto his mother in law during her widowhood half of my dwelling house & half ye

<sup>25</sup> John Sammis was one of the early settlers in Huntington and owned No. 1 of the ten farms. His children, John, born September 13, 1673; Silas, born November 2, 1676; David, born October 4, 1681; Isaac, born March 14, 1684. His descendants are numerous.

benefit of ye orchard and also half a hundred pound right of commonage & a yoke of steers 3 or 4 year old & a young horse comes two year old & a cow only my will is that my son *Silas* shall pay to his two youngest brothers *Isaac* & *David* fifteen pounds a piece when they accomplish ye age of one and twenty years but if either chance to die then ye sd. fifteen pounds to be divided equally between ye surviving brethren also to *Silas* a square barrel gun—

Item—I give & bequeath unto two of my other sons *Isaac* & *David* what remains of my orchard & home lot equally to be divided between them only my Will is that *David* shall have that end where ye barn is & half a hundred pound right of Commonage each of them to my son *David More* one young cow come four year old & two steer or Bull calves an Iron pot that came from *Southhold* & a fire lock musket, more to my son *Isaac* two cows & a grey mare colt

Item—I give & bequeath to my son *Jeremiah* my new pasture at ye Cove which is on ye Eastermost side of ye West Neck with half a hundred pound right of commonage—

Item—All other of my lands in ye hills near my house improved laid out or granted I give & bequeath to my four sons *Silas*, *David*, *Isaac* & *Jeremiah* equally to be divided between them and whereas there is a spring in part of ye said lands my will is that either son shall have the benefit of ye water as well as his lands— Also my will is that these four sons shall have ye meadow land & swamp commonly

called ye Millpond & every son ye benefit of ye way without let or hindrance one of another which Milpond is to be equally divided between ye last four nominated only my will is that my loving wife *Mary Sammis* shall enjoy ye said Milpond to her only use & commodity until my son *Silas* comes to age if she remain a widow and after two third of it until my son *David* comes to age if she continues unmarried else ye use thereof to whom it is given—Also I give & bequeath to my five sons *John, Silas, David Isaac & Jeremiah* all my meadow lands with all its rights & privileges that I have at our South as our records & my conveyances makes manifest equally to be divided amongst them and all lands & meadows afores<sup>d</sup> to remain to them & their heirs forever—But if either or any chance to die without lawful issue then his or their part or parts to be divided amongst ye survivors—Also my will is that (they) have all my Smith tools and be bound apprenticed to a smith & my son *David* to a tailor & my desire is that my brother in laws *Abram & Isaac Corey* be helpful to these two of their nephews that they may be placed in sober families—

Item—I give & bequeath to my loving wife two feather beds that was hers & that ye girls lyeth on with its bed clothes thereto belonging—Also one third part of ye pewter & brass one chest one middling iron pot & one small pot more also four cows two oxen & my sorrel mare only her first colt my will is my son *Isaac* shall have & half of my sheep—

Item—I give & bequeath to my daughter *Deborah* one feather bed in ye chamber & bedclothes & bedstead & her mothers chest & all her mothers clothes & one third part of my pewter & brass & a great iron pot & two cows & my old horse & ten sheep—

Item—I give & bequeath to my daughter *Hannah* one feather bed y<sup>t</sup> I lie on with all its furniture and whereas there is a legacy due to my daughter in law *Martha Corey* containing five or six pounds which is to be paid of my estate not given when that is paid then all ye rest of my goods & chattels not given I give & bequeath to my five sons equally to be divided among them, for ye true performance of this same & everything therein contained I appoint & request my loving brethren in laws *Richard Brush & Nathaniel Williams* to be my overseers in trust to see all things done herein contained as witness my hand & seal this 28<sup>th</sup> day of Nov. in ye fifth year of *William & Mary* Anno Dom. 1693—

JOHN SAMMIS [Seal]

Signed sealed & published in ye presence of

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SAMUEL KETCHAM  
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