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Witness: *Samuel Hooker,*  
*John Wadsworth.*

JOHN SOUTHMAYD, LS.

Page 78—8 March, 1705—6: Whereas, John Southmaid of Waterbury, clerk, hath made his application to this Court to have an order made directing the distributors appointed to divide the estate of his late father, Wm. Southmaid of Middletown, decd., to set out to him, the said John

Southmaid, his double part or portion of his sd. father's estate. And the sd. distributors appointed have also made application to this Court for direction to be given to them how much to abate from the said John's double part or portion of the said estate for his having been brought up to school learning. This Court, upon consideration of the case, do order and appoint that the said distributors shall abate out of the said John Southmaid's double portion of his said father's estate the sum of £81 according to invt., for his having been kept at learning as aforesd., and then distribute and set out to him so much of the said estate as with that sum and what also he hath already received may make up his double portion thereof. The said Jno. Southmaid (by his attorney, James Wadsworth) appealed from this decree and judgment to the Court of Assistants to be holden at Hartford in May next ensuing. And the sd. James Wadsworth acknowledged himself to stand bound to the Treasury of this County in a recog. of £20 to prosecute the sd. appeal to effect and answer all damages in case he make not his plea good.

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**Spencer, Samuel, Haddam.** Invt. £50-10-10. Taken 7th February, 1705-6, by Capt. John Chapman and William Spencer, Jr.

*An agreement, appended to the Inventory on file:*

To all whom these presents concern, greeting: Know ye that we, John Spencer and Isaac Spencer, do by these presents jointly and severally promise and engage to our honoured mother-in-law, Miriam Spencer, to pay her twelve pounds in current country pay, to be paid at £3 per year, annually, at or before the first of September yearly. This engagement is for and in consideration of our mother's thirds in our honored father Samuel Spencer his estate deceased, and in case we and our honored mother do all of us survive the fifth year, we do, out of respect to her, further promise to pay her £3 the fifth year as above, in consideration of the above premises.

east side of ye Town Street, against Samuel Judd's house. Unto my son John Smith I give my land in sd. Farmingtown of about 15 acres that lyeth joining to ye lott where my son William deceased built his house, and 21 acres more adjoining, also £20 to be paid him by my executor out of my personal estate. To my son James Smith I give a tract of land in Farmington lying near a place called Milford Pond, it being a half a lott containing about 52 acres; also 1 tract of land containing about 14 acres, it being half a lott lying in the middle tier of lotts in a division of land lying between the mountains; also £20 in money which is due to me from Samuel Bird for him the sd. James's last year's service with him; also £10 more out of my personal estate. Unto my son Stephen Smith I give my house and lott I now live upon, and also my land in the Common Field, and my pasture at a place called Dirty Hole, and my wheat lott of about 7 acres on the east side of the mountain, all in the Township of Farmingtown, and 1-2 of my sd. house and lott by him to be possessed when he comes to the age of 21 years, and 2-3 parts of the other lands given to him by this instrument at sd. age, and the remainder of the whole at the decease of his mother. Also I give unto him the sd. Stephen all the remainder of my sd. estate not by this will disposed of, both real and personal, he paying all the legacies by this instrument given to his sister and the £20 given to his brother John, also the £10 given to James. Unto my daughter Sarah Stanly, besides what I have formerly given her, I give her £5. Unto my daughter Martha Stanly, besides what I have formerly given her, I give her £5. Unto my two granddaughters, children of my son William decd., I give unto each of them 20 shillings at 18 years of age. I appoint my wife Ruth Smith and son Stephen Smith executors.

Witness: *John Hooker, Sen.,*

SAMUEL SMITH, LS.

*Isaac Cowles, Sen., Joseph Woodruff.*

Court Record, Page 66—2 February, 1724-5: Will now exhibited by Ruth Smith and Stephen Smith, the executors, and proven.

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Invt. in Vol. XII, Page 145.

**Southmayd, Giles**, Middletown. Invt. £71-06-05. Taken 26 June, 1728, by John Collins, William Ward and Joseph Rockwell.

Court Record, Page 195—3 July, 1728: Adms. granted to Joseph Starr, son-in-law of sd. decd.

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**Steele, Elizabeth**. Invt. £56-15-10. Taken 26 September, 1723, by James Ensign and Samuel Catling.

Court Record, Page 31—1 October, 1723: Adms. to Jonathan Steele. Exhibit of invt.

Page 104—7 August, 1753: Elizabeth Soper, a minor, 17 years of age, daughter of John Soper, chose her sister Phebe Soper to be her guardian. Recog., £300. Abigail Soper also made choice of her sister Phebe Soper to be her guardian. Recog., £300.

Page 113—8 February, 1754: A further account of Adms. was exhibited in Court by Capt. Peletiah Mills and Phineas Drake, Adms. Accepted. Order to distribute: To John Soper, eldest son, a double share; to Joel, David and Timothy, and to Phebe, Elizabeth and Abigail Soper, to each of them a single share of sd. estate. And appoint Jonathan Gillett, Jonah Gillett and Samuel Cutler, of Windsor, distributors.

Page 65 (Vol. XVII) 13 May, 1755: Report of the distributors.

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**Souerhill, Abraham.** Court Record, Page 21—12 August, 1746: Samuel Souerhill, a minor, 13 years of age, and Reuben, 7 years of age, Annah 11 and Lydia 9 years of age, children of Abraham Souerhill of Simsbury decd.: this Court appoint Abraham Souerhill of Newark to be their guardian, who gave bonds with John Christian Miller of Simsbury of £300 for each minor.

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**Southmayd, William,** Middletown. Invt. £7279-07-11. Taken 26 February, 1750-1, by Jonathan Allin, Joseph Southmayd and William Rockwell.

Court Record, Page 58—2 February, 1747-8: Allin Southmayd, a minor, age 16 years, son of William Southmayd, chose Jabez Hamlin, Esq., to be his guardian. Recog., £300.

Page 64—19 April, 1748: Adms. granted unto Mehetabel Southmayd, widow, who gave bonds with Jabez Hamlin of £1000. This Court appoint Mehetabell Southmayd, widow, to be guardian to William Southmayd, a minor, 13 years of age, Giles 9, and to Patrick and Samuel, 11 years, children of William Southmayd. Recog., £500 for each minor.

Page 51 (Vol. XVI) 4 February, 1752: William Southmayd, a minor, 16 years of age, son of William Southmayd, chose his mother Mehetabel Southmayd to be his guardian. Recog., £1000.

Page 74 (Vol. XVII) 5 August, 1755: An account of Adms. was now exhibited in Court by Mehetabell Southmayd, Adms. Accepted. Order to distribute the estate, viz.: To Mehetabel Southmayd, widow, her thirds of moveable estate, and 1-3 part of the real estate for her improvement during life; also,

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To Allin Southmayd, eldest son,	2111-05-01
To William, Giles, Patrick and Samuel Southmayd, to each,	1155-12-06½
And appoint William Rockwell, Matthew Talcott and Abijah Moore, distributors.	

Memorandum: Dated 21 September, 1730: All my land laid out or not laid out in Glastonbury, in that part called the Five-Miles Land, I give the same unto my daughter Rachel Smith and to her heirs forever. I also give unto my daughter Rachel my great silver tankard in respect of her tending me in my sickness, and all legacies given to my daughter Dinah I do order that my daughter Rachel have the possession, keeping and disposal of after my decease, to be given by her to my sd. daughter Dinah and her child or children as my daughter Rachel shall think fit.

Witness: *John Sparks,*  
*Jean Lynn, John Lynn.*

SAMUEL SMITH, LS.

Court Record, Page 81-2—6 February, 1732-3: Will exhibited by Rachel Smith, executrix named in sd. will, and desired it approved. Enoch Lyman, an heir to the estate in right of his wife Dinah, appeared in Court against the alteration wherein the part given to Dinah is put into Rachel's hands, etc. Case continued.

Page 82—6 February, 1732-3: According to the continuance of the case respecting the objection made against the last codicil to the will of Samuel Smith of Glastonbury decd., from Tuesday the 6th of this instant February to this time, the parties were heard thereupon, and this Court having considered that sd. will with the codicil made at the time of the testator sealing his will (with a gift to Thomas Buck), and the codicil made the 21st day of September, 1730, wherein the parties were at variance as aforesd., are all proved to be the will of the testator: Approved by the Court and ordered to be recorded and kept on file. Enoch Lyman, an heir in right of his wife Dinah to the estate of Samuel Smith, appealed from the judgement of this Court respecting the probaton of the last codicil to the will of the sd. deceased, unto the Superior Court. Recog., £20.

Dist. File, 1st May, 1734: Estate Samuel Smith, Glastonbury: To Rachel Smith, to Enoch and Dyna Lyman. By Abner Moseley and Nathaniel Talcott.

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**Southmayd, Margaret,** Middletown. Will dated 5 December, 1728: I, Margaret Southmayd, of Middletown, widow and relict of William Southmayd, sometime of the aforesd. Middletown, decd., do make this my last will and testament: I give to my son Joseph Southmayd that lottment of land on the east side of the Connecticut River in Middletown in the last division laid out, about 30 acres. I give to my son William Southmayd a large family Bible and also my best bed with all the furniture properly belonging to it. I give to my two daughters, Margaret Gaylord and Anne Stilman, all my wearing apparell. I give to my granddaughter Millicent Gaylord my small brass kettle. I give unto my granddaughter, Anne Gaylord, my smallest bell-mettal skillett. I give to my three sons, Allyn, Joseph and William Southmayd, with my two daughters, Margaret Gaylord and Anne Stilman aforesd., the lower lott in the Long Meadow in

Hartford, which formerly did belong to my honoured father, Cololl. John Allyn of Hartford decd., and also the 1-5 part of the houseing and homestead formerly belonging to my honoured father, Col. John Allyn of Hartford, now in the possession of Mrs. Martha Cooke of Hartford, together with all my bills, bonds, money, debts, and all my moveables and household goods, to be divided equally among my five children above named (except) my cobirons, fire slice and tongs in the outer room, which I give unto my son Joseph Southmayd. And I do hereby oblige my sd. children to purchase out of sd. estate 5 pieces of plate of equal value, that is, with what I now have to be part, and marke them thus, "W. S. M.", to be kept by each of them in memory of their father and myself. And I hereby appoint my two sons, Joseph Southmayd and William Southmayd, executors.

Witness: *Thomas Allyn,*  
*Joseph Rockwell, William Rockwell.*

MARGARET SOUTHMAYD, LS.

Codicil, dated 28 August, 1731: My two daughters and my youngest granddaughter being now deceased, I see cause to make this alteration in my will: that which was given to my two daughters and to my granddaughter, Anna Gaylord, I now give to my son Joseph's wife and my son William Southmayd.

Witness: *Joseph Rockwell,*  
*William Rockwell, J<sup>o</sup>hn Rockwell.*

MARGARET X SOUTHMAYD, LS.

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**Spelman, Daniel**, Middletown. Invt. £102-00-11. Taken 28 January, 1733-4, by Richard Spelman, Benjamin Cornwall and Samuel Cotton.

Court Record, Page 104—5 February, 1733-4: Adms. to Annah Spelman, widow, who, with Benjamin Cornwall, gave bond.

Page 18 (Vol. XV) 7 May, 1746: Thomson Spellman, a minor, 16 years of age, and Daniel Spellman, 15 years, children of Daniel Spellman, chose their uncle Benjamin Cornwell of Middletown to be their guardian. Recog., £500 for each minor.

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**Spencer, Joseph**, Haddam. Court Record, Page 23—5 June, 1730: Joseph Spencer, a minor, 18 years of age, chose Samuel Ackley of East Haddam to be his guardian. Recog., £50.

Page 33—5 January, 1730-1: Samuel Ackley, guardian, shows this Court that some land in Haddam (one parcell in the first division, 15 acres, adjoining William Spencer, Lt. Knowlton and James Bates; one other piece of land in Haddam in the second division, 30 acres, the width of the lott is 20 rods, 12 of them is part of sd. William Spencer's own dwelling lott, the other eight he had of his brother Daniel Brainard) was