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Hall, Francis, Stratford. Will dated 6 May, 1686: I ffrancis Hall of stratford, in ye Colloney of Conecticott, being yet of sound Mind & not knowing ye day of my death, being aged and Crazie, make this my last Will in maner & form following: It. I give unto my wife al yt was left her by her last husband, John Blakeman of Stratford, decd, except what is disposed off already, which was not done without her Consent. Shee is to possess all lands and houseing during her natural life, & then to be to ye heirs of ye aforementioned John Blakeman, it being agreeing to ye Condishons shee made with mee at Marriage. Concerning my son Isaac, I giue to him & his wife & al my grand Children one shilling apeice, & haue & shall hereafter leaue further order about Isaac. I give unto my son Samuel Hall & his heirs all yt part of my farm lands & tenements whatsoever, situate in ye Township of ffairfield, which I have already given by Deed. I make him my only heir, he to pay Debts, Legacies & Funeral Expenses; and if my son Samuel can have comfortable assurance from his Brother Isaack Hall yt he will for ye future live in peace and renounce all Causes of after contention from themselves & their heirs forever, then yt my son Samuel Hall make over to him and his heirs forever soe much of ye land as ye said Samuel see Cause. It. Concerning my three daughters, vizt, mary, elizabeth & rebeckah, I have already ingaged my son Samuel, when I made him a deed of guift of ye part of my farm, to give unto my daughter mary 40 Shillings by ye yeare during her natural life, & to ye other two sisters £10 apeice, to be paid unto them as they have ociasion for it. I giue unto my daughter Hannah a horse or mare & a heifer or steere. It. Besides what is abouesaid, I give to my wife a warming pan & my written books yt are legable, al yt are written in Carracters; shee may dispose as shee please. Since I begun this my Will I did agree with my son Isaac, as is exprest in my day booke, page 152: will more fully appeare, yt he should possess two years gratiss without paying for ye time, but his patience not holding out soo long, he began againe to be troublesome & broke ye peace, giuing some bad & threatning words very unComfortable to mee, though I used ye best words I could to him for peace my life time; but it's from ye good pleasure of him who doth all things well, & unto his hands I leave him. I desire Mr. Chancey, Mr. Pittman, Mr. sherman Junr. and Josiah nicolls to be Ouerseers to advise my son Samuel, who is my heire and Executor. I subscribe my name with my FFRANCIS HALL. owne hand, legable & in carrecters.

Witness: John Blakeman,
Thomas Broddgate.

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Stratford, 9th July, 1689: Francis Hall presented this as his Last Will, & acknowledged it to be his Will and Testament. Before me, Joseph Hawley, Commissioner.

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