In the name of God, Amen.

I, John W Charlton of Frederick County and State of Maryland being weak and feeble in body but of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding considering the certainty of death and the uncertainty of the time thereof, and being desirous to settle my worldly affairs, and being the better prepared to leave this world when it shall please God to call me hence, do therefore make and publish this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following, that is to say, First and principally I commit my soul unto the hands of Almighty God and my body to the earth to be decently buried at the discretion of my heirs or Executor hereafter named.

First I will, and direct that as soon after my decease as practicable my Executor shall sell all my property, Real, Personal and mixed, pay my funeral expenses and all my just debts and divide the residue among my children share and share alike. Lastly I constitute and appoint my son David E Charlton my sole Executor.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this Seventeenth day of December in the year of our Lord Eighteen hundred and Seventy

John W Charlton (seal)

Signed, sealed published and declared by John W. Charlton the above Testator as and for his last Will and Testament, in presence of us who at his request, in his presence and in presence of each other have affixed our names thereto.

Isaac Walker
Geo W Crum
M W E Horne

State of Maryland, Frederick County to wit:
I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy from the original as filed and recorded in the Office of the Register of Wills for Frederick County

Place of Seal

In testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and affix the seal of the Orphans Court this 1st day of April 1873.

Test:

Filed April 18 1872

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Maryland, Set

Place of Seal

The State of Maryland to John W Charlton of Carroll County, Greeting You are hereby commanded that all excuses set apart you personally appear before the Judges of the Circuit Court for Frederick County sitting as a Court of Equity to be held at the Court House in Frederick Town in and for said County on the Second Monday of May next to answer the bill and complaint of The Frederick Town Savings Institution