Maryland ss

In the Name of God Amen I John Clark of Baltimore County in the Province aforesaid being in Health and Perfect Memory thanks I give to my Ever Merciful God for Same; therefore calling to Mortality of my Body and knowing that Assuredly I must Leave this Vain World and my Body return to Dust from whence it Came & Trusting through the Tender Mercies of God my Savior my Soul to God who gave it Believing that at the Latter Day of Time my Soul & Body shall reunite and through Tender Mercies of Jesus Christ obtain Mercy for Evermore — I Dispose of all my Estate in Manner and form following:

Imprimis I give and Bequeath to my Wellbeloved Son John Clark the Plantation whereon I Live called and known by the Name of Clarks Rest Containing three Hundred and fifty two Acres: as also Clarks Meadow Contents fifty Acres of Marsh to him and his Heirs for ever: also my Surveying Instrument: I also Will that my Son John be at full Age at Twenty one Years, its also my Will that my Said Son John Clark is to have no Claim nor Demands in the Lands above Devised During the Widowhood of my well beloved Wife Hannah Clark. — Item I Will if my aforesd Son John Clark should Marry Before he Attain to the Age of Twenty one Years my Will is that he have Possession of my Lands at Long bridg called and known by the Name of Clarks Town Containing One hundred and fifty Acres. Provided Nevertheless my aforesd Son John Clark should Die without Issue before he attains to the Age of Twenty One Years, that in Such Case I give to my two Daughters Hannah Clark and Mary Clark, Clarks Rest Contents three hundred & fifty two Acres and Clarks Meadow Contents fifty Acres of Marsh to be Equally Divided between them and their Heirs; my Daughter Hannah Clark to have the Upper Part of Clarks Rest next to the Level Bridge, and also that the Justices of Baltimore County Court Sitting appoint Two Men whom they shall think proper to Divide said Two Tracts Land as aforesd having a regard to this present Will when my Daughter Hannah comes of Age or at time of Marriage whose Division and Determination shall be final — it is also my Will if my Said Son John should Dispose of any part of my now Dwelling Plantation Commonly called and known by aforesd the Name of Clarks Rest, Containing three Hundred & fifty two Acres, Clarks Meadow Contents fifty Acres of Marsh, that in such

Testament that his to say Principally and first of all I give and Recommend my Soul into the Hands of Almighty God that gave it and my Body I recommend to the Earth to be Buried in Decent Christian Burial at the Discretion of my Executors, nothing Doubting but at the General Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty Power of God and as touching Such Worldly Estate wherewith it has pleased God to bless me in this Life I give Demise and Dispose of the same in the following Manner and Form that is to say I give and bequeath to Ann Roberts my Well beloved Daughter my Sorrel Mare with a Blaze in her face being three Years Old Two Cow about four Years Old and Calf and One Foal Pot about four Gallons Which I Likewise Constitute, make and ordain my Sole Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament, all and singular my Lands Messuages and Tenements by her freely to be possessed and Enjoyed, and I do hereby utterly Disallow, revoke, and Disannul, all and every other former Testaments Wills, Legacies ~~and~~ Bequests and Executors by me in any Ways before named, Willed and Bequeathed, Ratifying and Confirming this, and no other: to be my Last Will and Testament, In Witness whereof I hereunto Set my hand and Seal, the Day and Year above written.

Signed, Sealed, published, Pronounced and Declared by the said Marrion Roberts as his Last Will and Testament in the presence of us the subscribers

Testor Sutton Sichlemore Junr
Testor John Roberds
John Roberds Junr

his M mark
Marrion Roberds (Seal)

On the Back of the foregoing Will was then Written 15th November the 25th 1754 Then Testor Sutton Sichlemore and John Roberds two of the Witnesses to the foregoing Will being Duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God Deposes and Say that they Saw the Testator Marrion Roberds Sign the foregoing Will and heard him publish and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament and that they Saw John Roberds Junr the other Subscribing Witness to the foregoing Will Sign as aforesaid that at the time of his so Doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of Sound and Disposing Mind and Memory: and that they Subscribed their Respective Names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Said Testator and at his request.

Sworn before. H. Gouvn Dorsey
Baltimore County

A 1/2 Sides

Case it is my Will that Either of my two afs.d Daughters Hannah or Mary Clark, shall have full power to Enter and take Possession of Which Ever their Parts shall be Disposed of by my afs.d Son John Clark. Item I give all my Personal Estate to my five Children Namely, John, Hannah, Mary, Annapek, Sarah Clark alway Reserving the third part of my Personal Estate as the Law Directs for my well Beloved Wife. Lastly I appoint my Wellbeloved Wife Hannah Clark my hole and sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament revocking all other Will or Wills Deed or Deeds of Gifts Heretofore made by me Confirming & Rattifying this as my Last Will and Testament, In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my Hand and Seal this 6th Day of Octr Anno Domini 1754.

Signed Sealed Published Pronounced & Declared by the afs.d John Clark as his Last Will & Testament in presents of us the Subscribers.

John Clark (Seal)

James Mathews, John his + mark Peacock
Dan.l Johnson, John Wood

On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus Written. viz.t

Decem.r 19th 1754 Then came Dann Johnson, John Peacock & John Wood the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will being Duely and solemnly Sworn on the holy Evangels of Almight God Depose and say that they saw the Testator John Clark Sign the within Will and heard him publish and Declare the Same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the Time of his so Doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of Sound & Disposing Mind and Memory and they Solemnly Swore that they saw James Mathews the other subscribing Witness Sign as afs.d and that they Subscribed their Respective Names as Witnesses to the Said Will in the Presence of the Said Testator and at his Request. Sworn before. W. Young
D. Comm.ry Baltimore Coty

7 Sides

In the Name of God Amen the fifteenth Day of March 1754 I Maureen Roberts of Baltimore County in the Province of Maryland Planter being very Sick and Weak in body but of perfect Mind and Memory thanks be given unto God, therefore Calling unto Mind the Mortality of my Body and knowing that it is appointed for all Men once to Die. Do make and Ordain this my Last Will and...

Item I give and Bequeath to my Grand son John Johnson and to my son Joseph Johnson three Children all the remainder of my neat Cattle & Sheep Except what before is given to be Equally Devd. between them Item I give and Bequeath to my Daughter Thompson one shilling Current Money it being her full part of my Estate.

Item I give and bequeath all the Remand. of my Estate to be Equally Devided between my Son John Johnsons Children and my Son Joseph three Daughters to be Devided by Jno. Gray of the Cliffs & Chas. Clagett to my Saide Grand Children to them & their Heirs for Ever and Lastly I Constitute and apoint my Grand Son John Johnson whole & Sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament revoaking all other Wills by me heretofore made in Witnes Whereof I have I have hereunto set my hand & Seale this 15 Day of June 1754

Signd Seald & acknowd
in presence of —

C: Clagett
John Johnston
Nath. Clagett

(Seale)

On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus Wrutten Viz.t

Calv.t County February 4th — 1755. Came Charles Clagett John Johnston & Nathan Clagett Subscribing Witnes to the aforegoing Will & being Duly & Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God Depose and say that they Saw the Testator John Johnson Signe the aforegoing Will & heard him publish & Declare the same to be his Last Will & Testament & that at the Time of his so Doing he was to the best of there apprehension of sound Disposing Minde & Memory & that they Signede there Respective Names as Evidence to s.d Will in the presence of the Testator & at his request

6½ Sides

Sworn Before — Clem.t Smith Deptly
Com.ty Calv.t County

Mary Hardesty Widdo of Georg Hardesty Late of Calv.t County Came to me on the 15th Day of February & Declaird that she wold Stand her Dec.d Husbands Will. —

Clem.t Smith Deptly Cor.t
Calv.t County. —

½ Side

In the Name of God Amen, the third Day of January in the Year of our Lord Seventen hundred & fifty five, I Walter Smith of Calvert County being Weak in Body but of Sound & perfect Memory, thanks be to God, I do make this my Last Will and Testament in Manner & form following that is to say first I Bequeath my Soul and spirit into the hands of Almighty God my Heavenly Father trusting through the Merits of my Saviour Jesus Christ to be

Maryland ss.

I John Johnson of Calv.t County and Province afs.d being sick & weak of body but of perfect Memory and Remembrance do make this my Last Will & Testament in Manner & forme following first I bequeath my Sole to God that gave it me in sure and certain hopes of Eternal Life through the Merits of Jesus Christ and my Body to be Decently buryed by my Executor hereafter named Item I give and Bequeath to my Son Joseph Johnson three Daughters Mary, Susana & Sarah my new Dwelling Plantation called and known by the name of Charles Gift and Commonly the Tower I give to my Said three grand Daughters one other Tract or Peccle of Land called the Angle to them & their Heirs for ever Item I give and Bequeath to my said Grand Daughter Mary Johnson one Negro Man called Will, to her and her Heirs for ever Item I give and Bequeath to my Grand Daughter Susana Johnson one Negro Man called George to her and her Heirs for ever Item I give and Bequeath to my Grand Daughter Sarah Johnson to her and her Heirs for Ever one Negro Man called Hammond Item I give and Bequeath to my Grand Daughter Mary Ward one Negro Girl named Bess to her and her Heirs for Ever. Item I give and Bequeath to my Grand Daughter Eliz.a Ward one Cow & Calfe and I give to my Grand Daughter Rebecca Ward One Ewe & Lamb. Item I give and Bequeath to my Grand son Brian Taylor Two Negro Girls viz.t Kate and Molle to him & his heirs forever. Item I give and Bequeath to my Grand Daughter Jane Johnson one Negro Girl called Dinge to her and her Heirs for Ever. Item I give and Bequeath to my Grand Daughter Frances Johnson One Negro Girl called Peg to her and her heirs for Ever. Item I give and Bequeath to my Grand Son John Johnson One Tract or Peccle of Lande called part of the Charles's Gift and Commonly the Quarter to him and his Heirs for Ever. Item I give and Bequeath to my Grand Daughter Mary Johnson One Old Negro Woman called Peg to her and her Heirs. Item I give and Bequeath to my Grand Son John Johnson One Negro Man called Toby & one Negro Woman Called Molle To him and his Heirs for Ever. Item I give and Bequeath to my three grand Children to Wit Brian Mary & Sarah Taylor each of them a Cow and Calfe to be p.d by my Execut.r

Receive into Eternall Rest, my Body I Commit to the Earth to be buried with such Charges and in such Manner as my Dear & Loving Wife Christian shall think proper. — And touching the Distribution of my Worldly Estate which it has pleased Almighty God to bless me with. — I dispose of the same as follows Viz.t

First. I Will that all my Lands which I have now in Possession as also all that which I may have a Right to, after Recovery thereof by my Executrix hereafter named or any other person in her Behalf, Lying in Calvert, Baltimore & Prince George Countys or Else where which are now under Mortgage to Mr. James Russell for the Payment of a certain Sum of Money I may be Sold to Discharge my Just Debts, or Such part of the said Land as my Executrix shall think proper, so there be sufficient to pay all my Debts. — I Will Likewise that my Personal Estate shall be Sold untill there is sufficient to pay my Just Debts, or such part as my Executrix may think fit. but not untill all Debts are Discharged. —

Item I give to my Loving Wife all the Residue of my Estate both Reall & Personall after my Debts are paid, to make use of them in what manner she may think proper. —

Lastly I make & ordain my Loving Wife Christian whole & sole Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament, hereby revoking & making Void all former Wills and Testaments. In Witness whereof I the said Walter Smith have hereunto set my hand & affixed my Seall the Day and Year afo.

Sealed & Delivered by the said Walter Smith in the Presence of. — Walter Smithe (Seal)

Rachel Darnall. Joseph Sim
Eliz.a Smith Thomas Darmer

Signed Sealed & Delivered published & Declared in Presence of us. — Walter Smithe (Seal)

Rachel Darnall
Eliz.a Smithe
Joseph Sim
Thomas Darmer

On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus Written Viz.t — Cal.t County February ye 18.th 1755 Came Joseph Sim, Eliz.th Smith & Tho.s Darmer subscribing Witness to the fore going Will & being Sworn on the holy Evangeles of Almighty God Depose & Say that they saw the Testator Walter Smithe sign the foregoing Will & heard him publish & Declare the same to be his Last Will & Testament and that at the Time his so Doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of sound Disposing Minde & Memory & that they signed their respective Names as Evidences to S.d Will in the Presence of the Testator and at his Request. Sworn before Clem.t Smith Dep.y Com.y Cal.t County —

5 Jan

In the Name of God Amen the seventeenth Day of November in the Year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred fifty & four I Cornelius Hart of the County of Worcester in the Province of Maryland being very Sick & Weake in Body but of a Perfect Mind & memory thanks be given unt God therefore Calling unto Mind the Mortality of my Body & knowing that it is appointed for all Men Once to Die do make and and Ordain this my Last Will & Testament that is to say Principally & first of all I give and Recommend my Soule into the hands of God that gave it & for my Body I recommend it to the Earth to be buried in a Christian Like & Decent Manner at the Discretion of my Executrix nothing Doubting Doubting but at the General Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty Power of God & as touching such Worldly Affairs & Estate wherewith it hathe pleased God to bless me in this Life I give Devise and Dispose of the same in the following Manner and form Viz.t

Item. I give & bequeath to my Well beloved Wife Elizabeth Hart all my Land, Cattle Hogs Horses & Houshold furniture: Likewise Constitute make and Ordain my Well Beloved Wife sole Executrix of this my Last Will & Testament and I do hereby utterly utterly Disallow revoke & Disannul all & every other former Testaments Wills, Legacies & Executors or Executrix by me in any ways before this Time Names Wills and Bequeathes Ratifying & Confirming this & no other to be my Last Will & Testament In Witnesse whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal the Day & Year above Written

signed & sealed pronounced to be my last Will & Testament in the presence of us —
Adam Scott
Solomon Milbourn
John Mitchell

Cornelius Hart Seal

— on the Back of the foregoing Will was this Written viz.t

Decl. 25th 1754 Came Adam Scott and Solomon Milbourn and John Mitchell the subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made Oath on the holy Avengelis of Almighty God that they saw Cornelius Hart the Testator sign seale and heard him publish pronounce and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament, and that at the Time of his so Doing he was to the best of their apprehension of a sound Disposing Mind and Memory and that they subscribed their Names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request

Sworn before — Benton Harris Dep.y Cl. of Worcester County

A Sides

In the Name of God Amen the thirteth Day of December in the Year of our Lord Seventeen hundred and fifty four I Lambert Tafsitt of Worcester County in Maryland being Weak of Body but of perfect Sound Mind and Memory thanks be to God for the Same Calling to Mind the Mortality of Human Life and that its appointed for all Man to Die do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament in Manner & form following that is to say.—

Item I give and Bequeath to my Daughter Mary Tafsitt my Plantation I now Live upon with all the Houses, Orchard, fencing and all Appurtenances thereunto Belonging beginning at a Certain Gut that did Divide between Sister Bowin and myself and so runing up the said Gut and Branch to the Line of the Middle of the Neck which my father Laid out for a Division Line and so Northwardly up the Neck word to the Extent and thence with a Line Drawn to the Mouth of a Gut a Littell above where M- Wallop did Live and so down the Creek and with the Creek to the afors Mentioned Gut to her the Said Mary Tafsitt her heirs and Assigns forever but in Case my Daughter Mary Tafsitt shall refuse to make over to John Pann that Land her Mother and I sold to the said John Pann I doe hereby Debare my Daughter Mary Tafsitt from having any Right titell or Clame to this above Bequeathed Land and Primaces While such Time as she shall make the said Pann or his heirs a good Right to the same Land on Cock a Mok.—

Item. I give and Bequeath to my two Daughters Sarah Tafsitt and Lipporah Tafsitt all the southermost part of my Land Down the Neckword not before bequeathed by me and which was bequeathed to me by my Father William Tafsitt and according to my Father William Tafsitts Will to be Equally Divided between the afors- Sarah Tafsitt and Lipporah Tafsitt and to them and their heirs and Assigns for Ever.—

Item. I give and Bequeath to my Daughter Mary Elizbeth Tafsitt One hundred and Twenty five Acers of Land being one half of a Trad of Land which was Divised between my Brother Rory Tafsitt and myself Caulled by the Name of Golden Valey and also all my Right titell and Interest in Rumbell to Marsh which was Divised to me by my Father Wm- Tafsitt to her the said Mary Elizabeth Tafsitt to her her Heirs and Assigns for Ever.—

Item. I give and Bequeath to my Daughter Mary Tafsitt One Negro Woman Called Beck and one Negro Boy Caulled Frank To her her Heirs and Assigns for Ever.—

Item. I give and Bequeath to my Daughter Mary Elizbeth Hafsitt one Negro Girle Called Hanah to her heirs and Assigns for ever.

Item. I give and Bequeath to my Daughter Sarah Hafsitt one Negro Man Caulled Besen and also one Negro Girle Caulled Rachall To her her Heirs and Assigns for ever.

Item. I give and Bequeath to my Daughter Zipporah Hafsitt One Negro Man Called James and one Negro Boy Caulle Sam To her her Heirs and Assigns for ever.

And I also give and Bequeath to my Daughter Zipporah Hafsitt one Negro Girle Caulle Amey to her her heirs and Assigns for Ever.

Item. I give and Bequeath to my Well Beloved Wife Lavinah Hafsitt Exclusif of her thirds one Negro Man Called Coffey and her Mare Caulled Goney Saddle and Bridle To her her Heirs and Assigns for Ever

Item. I give & Bequeath to my Children hereafter Mentioned to Wit Mary and Mary Elizabeth Sarah and Zipporah all the Residue of my Personalle Estat after my Just Debts paid and my Wifes thirds taken out of my Estate to be Equally Divided amongst my above named Children to be paid to them by my Excu.tx in Specie according to Appraisement to them their heirs and Assigns for Ever.

I do hereby Constitute my Well Beloved Wife Lavinah Hafsitt Excx of this my Last Will and Testament Revoking & Diseanulle all former Wills by me heretofore made and do ratify and Confirm this and no other to be my Last Will and Testament in Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and affixed my Seale the Day and Year a first above Written and Expressed.

Lambert Hafsitt

Signed in presents of us
Esther Rachall Rackliff
Rous Hafsitt
Thomas Crideare

On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus Written Viz.t

Jan.y 31-1755 Came Rachale Rackliff Rous Hafsitt and Thomas Crideare the Subscribing Witnessis to the foregoing Will and made Oath on the holy Avangelis of Almighty God that they saw the Testator Lambert Hafsitt sign, Seale, and heard him publish pronounce and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament in that at the Time of his so Doing he was to the best of their apprehension of a sound Disposing Minde and Memory and they Subscribed their Names as Witnessis to the sd Will in the presence of the Testator & at his request Sworn before Benton Harris D Comly of Worcester County

Jan.y 31-1755 Came Rous Hafsitt (who Wrote the above Will) and Levinah Hafsitt and made Oath that the Paragraph in the Body of the foregoing Will in Relation to a Legacie Left to Sd Levina was Desired to be raised out of the Will and was accordingly Done by the said Rouse in the Presence of the Testator and at his Request — Sworn before Benton Harris D Comly of Worcester County

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In the Name of God Amen I Mary Williams of Worcester County in the Province of Maryland do Constitute and appoint this to be my Last Will and Testament in Manner and Form as followeth. —

Item. I give and Bequeath to my Son Levin Williams my Plantation I now Live on Containing Two hundred and Seven Acres it being the Land I bought of Benjamin Handy To him his Heirs and Assigns for Ever. I Likewise give to my said Son Levin one Negro Wench Named Sender To him and for his only Use. —

Item I give and Bequeath to my Daughter Anne Williams three Negroes Viz.t Tamor Betsey and Binar with my Riding Mare to her and to her only proper Use. —

Item. I Desire that the remainder of my Estate which I have not already Disposed of my be Equally Divided between my Two Children Viz.t Levin and Anne Williams — and in Case my Two Children Should Die before they arrive to the Age of Maturity, that then my Will is that my Estate both Real and Personal Be Equally Divided almongst my Three Brothers and Sister Viz.t William Edward, Francis and Priscilla Robards Except a Negro Girl Betsey which I Desire my Sister Priscilla to have over and above her Equal part of my Estate. Lastly I Leave and appoint my Loving Father Edward Robards and my Brother William Robards hole and sole Executors of this my Last Will and Testament. In Testimony Whereof I have hearunto Sett my hand and fixed my Seal this Twelveth Day of August Anno Dom. 1754. —

Signed Sealed and pronounced in the presence of us — } (Seal)

Annexed to the foregoing Will was the following Deposition — Viz.t Worcester Co.t Novemb.r y.e 6 - 1754 personally Came before me the Subscriber Capt. Benjamin Handy and Rebecah Smithe and being Sworn on the holy Avangelis of Almighty God Deposeth and faith that the Will hereto annexed was presented to Mary Williams the Testatrix and that She approved of the Same and acknowledged the Same to be her Last Will and Testament and sent for a third person to Se the Said Will Executed but before he Came She was taken with the Ague and then out of her Senses so far that it was put off till the next Day when the Will was again Read to her and She acknowledged the Same to be her Will, and Endeavoured to write her Name thereto but when up was So weak Seemd not able to write but that they then Saw her make Two Several Marks thereto and was Very Desirous to have it signed and that She then Desired Capt. Handy to Assist her to write her Name but that he advis'd her to Lye Down and She Likely might be better and able to do it herself

Which accordingly she did and Departed this Life the next Day without making any other Will to their knowledge. and that at the Time of her making the said Marks she was to the best of their Apprehensions of a Sound Disposeing Mind and Memory — Sworn Before Benton Harris Dep.ty Comm.y of Worcester County

Feb.y 14.th 1755 after Calling the persons Interested in the Distribution if there had been no Will and asked them if they had any objection to the foregoing Will who answered that they had not, but was well satisfied the Will Should Stand, Letters Testam.ry was granted to the Execu.rs therein named by. Benton Harris Dep.ty Comm.y of Worcester County.

5 Sides

In the Name of God Amen I John Westcoat of Cecil County in the Province of Maryland being in perfect Mind and Memory praised be my Almighty God I do make and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament in Manner and form following first and principally I bequeath my Soul into the hands of my Almighty God that gave it hopeing through the Merits of my Lord and savior Jesus Christ full pardon and Remission for all my Sins and Iniquities and my Body I commit to the Earth from whence it came to be Decently buried at the Discretion of my Executor hereafter Mentioned and as to my Worldly Estate that God Almighty hath pleased to Bestowe upon me I give Dispose and Bequeath as followeth viz. Imprimis — I give and Bequeath unto my Youngest Daughter Elizabeth Westcoat Ten pounds over and above any of the Rest my Children are the afore ten pound is to be allowed to my Dearly beloved Wife for the bringing up the aforesd Child. and the rest of my Estate is to be Equally Divid amongst them. — I do hereby Leave my Dearly beloved Wife hole and Sole — Executor of this my Last Will and Testament In Witness Whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal this fifteenth Day of December in the Year of our Lord 1754. — John Westcoat Seal

Signed Sealed and Delivered by the above Testator as and for his Last Will and Testament in the presence of us —
Edward Veazey, John Stockton

On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus Written — viz —
Cecil County ss — January 6.th 1755 Edward Veazey and John Stockton the Subscribing Witnesses to the Within Will being duly and solemnly sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty ~~God~~ depose and say that they Saw the Testator John Westcoat sign and seal the Within Will and heard him publish and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the Time of his so Doing he was to the best of their apprehension of Sound Disposing Mind and Memory and that they Subscribed their respective Names

as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request. — Sworn before M. Earle & Hom. J.
Cecil County

3 Sides

In the Name of God Amen I Jn.º Cage of Augustine Parish & Cecil County & Province of Maryland Planter being through the Goodness & Mercy of God though Week in Body Yet of perfect mind Memory & Understanding thanks be given to God, therefore do make & Ordain this my Last Will & Testament in Manor & form following... Imprimes I will & bequeath my Soul to Allmighty God that gave it me & as for my Burial I Leave it to the Discression of my Wife & Execut.r and as for what it hath pleased Allmighty to Bestow on me in this World I Leave & Dispose off in manor & form following, That is to say Equally to be shared among my Children / my Daughter Susannah Swaney only Excepted if her Husband George Swaney be alive at my Death / & if not to have her share with the rest of them and as for the Two Plantations if in my Possession at my Death & I have a new Lease from the Landlords for the Plantation whereon I now Dwell, I Leave them to my Two Sons Ja.s Cage & Jn.º Cage to be rented for their Use & the Rents to be kept in Capt. Peter Bayards hands with the Rest of their Share untill they come of Age & in Case one of the said Boyes should Die before he arrives of Age then the Longest Liver of the Two to have his share but in Case I dont get a New Lease as above / then my Will is that both places be Exposed to publick sale with the rest of my Effects & the produce to be Lodg'd in Ja.s Bayards hands as above / for the Two Boyes and if the said George Swaney should be alive as above / then I do hereby Cut off my Said Daughter Susannah Swaney from having any part of my Estate more than One English Shilling to be paid unto her when Demanded, Yet my Will is that my Execut.rs give unto the said Susannah One Linsey Gown & Petticoat Two Oznib.gs Shifts & one pare of Shoes & So Yearly till she has had an Equal share with the Rest of the Children & as for my Wife Eliz.th Cage I Will and Bequeath unto her the House that Henry Hukill now Lives in During her Widowhood w.th the Little Medow field as it now Stands fenced up to said House for her Use Together with a Slipe of Land next to Crages & Kearks that I have not yet taken in And her Horse Saddle and Bridle Bed & furniture & a Chest Marked with E C of which she has the Key takeing therefrom One Pillow, as they now Stand

& Privilege of Fire wood as long as she remains a Widow if she is satisfied to take this Devise in Lieu of her thirds, Likewise a small Piece of Linay now at the Weavers that I desire may not be apraised the one Half Belonging to her & the other to my Daughter Sarah Cage & that my Estate pay for the Weaving thereof. I do hereby Constitute & appoint my Wife Elizabeth Cage Administratrix & Capt. Wm. Bayard Executor of this my Last Will and Testament in testimony hereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal this 2d Day of Oct. 1754

Sealed acknowledged &
Declared in presence of
John Husband, Tho. his T Mark Ennestor

Wm Cage (Seal)

Cecil County Sc. Jan. 16th 1755 I hereby relinquish all my Right, title and Interest to the Exorship of the above Will & renounce the Devise to me & will not abide by the Same but will have my thirds of the said Testators Estate.

Eliz. her Mark Cage

Test W. Marlee

Cecil County Sc. January 16th 1754 John Husband and Thomas Ennistor the Subscribing Witnesses to the above Will being Duly and Solemnly Sworn on the holy Evangels of Almighty God Depose and say that they Saw the Testator John Cage Sign and ~~Seal~~ Seal the Said Will and heard him publish and Declare the Same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of sound Disposing Mind & Memory and that they Subscribed their respective Names as Witnesses to the Said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his request — M. Marlee D. Comty

6 Sides

Cecil County.

In the Name of God Amen Eight Day of December One Thousand Seven Seven hundred & fifty four. I John Campbell of Cecil County & Province of Maryland being very sick and weak of Body but of perfect Mind and Memory knowing it is appointed for all Men once to Die do make and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament that is to say first of all I recommend my Soul unto God that gave it, and my Body to the Earth to be buried in a Christian Manner at the Direction of my Executor; and as touching my Worldly Estate wherewith God has been pleased to bless me I Give and Bequeath in the manner & form following Item. I give and Bequeath unto my Dearly and well beloved Friend John Crosier of the above Named County & all and every my Real and personal, Debt Dues, Demands Cloaths, Horse kind, and Cattle of Whatever Kinds belonging and appertaining to me Books & Book accounts

Bills Bonds Notes as is Concisely Included in the above Words (Viz. all my Estate &c) revoking and Disanulling all former Will or Wills Behest or Gift by me made or intended. allowing ratifying this and no other for my Last Will and Testament. making allowing and appointing him the said John Crozier my whole and sole Heir and Executor of this my Last Will and Testament. In Witness Whereof I have Set my hand and seal; the Day and Year above Written

John Campbell (Seal)

Signed Sealed Ratifyed
and Declared in presence
of us
Rowley Hanes,
William Black
George Ramsay. On the back of the foregoing Will words thus Written Viz.

Cecil County ss. January 29th 1755 William Black and George Ramsey two of the subscribing Witnesses to the within Will being duly and solemnly sworn on the holy Evangels of Almighty God depose and say that they saw the Testator John Campbell sign the within Will and heard him publish and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament, that at the Time of his so Doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of Sound Disposing Mind and Memory and that they and Rowley Hanes the other subscribing Witness subscribed their Respective Names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his request = sworn before Marle Thomas
3 Sides
Cecil County

In the Name of God Amen the third Day of December in the Year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and fifty three I James Mills of Queen Anns County in the Pro. of Maryland Planter calling to mind the Mortallity of my Body and knowing that it is appointed for all Men once to Die Do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament that is to say principally and first of all I give and Recomend my Soul into the hands of God who gave it me and as for my Body I Bequeath it to the Earth to be buried in a Christian Like and Decent Manner at the Discretion of my Executors hereafter named Nothing Doubting but at the Generals Resurrection Shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God and as touching Such Worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this Life I give and Dispose of the same in the following Maner and Form it is my Will and I do order that in the first place

all my Just Debts and funeral Charges be paid and satisfied
Item I give and Bequeath unto Elizabeth my beloved Wife the
third part of my Moveable Estate after my Just Debts be paid
Item I give and Bequeath unto my three Sons all the other part
of my Estate Except five Shillings Starlin and to be Equally Divided
amongst my three Sons Vz. Thomas Millis Stephen Millis Edward
Millis there Heirs and Assigns for as much as I have given something
to my Two Sons and three Daughters Vz. James Millis John
Millis, Rachel Fallow, Elizabeth Cennum Anne Marchant I
do now give unto my Two Sons and three Daughters Each of them
One Shilling Starlin and no More neither of my Personal Estate
nor Real Estate I Constitute make and Ordain my Loving Son
Thomas Millis my only and sole Executor of this my Last Will
and Testament and I do hereby revoke and Disallow all other
former Wills by me made before this Times Ratifying Confirming
and allowing of this and no other to be my Last Will and
Testament in witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal
the Day and Year above written. —

James his ✠ Mark Millis (Seal)

Signed Sealed published and pronounced
and Declared by the S.d James Millis
as his Last Will and Testament in
the presence of us. —
Tes. Tho.s Baggs, Tes. James his ✠ Mark Cook. Tes. Tho.s his T mark Cook. —

On the Back of the foregoing Will was this Written Vz.
Queen Anns County S.t the 20.th February 1755 Thomas Baggs James
Cook and Thomas Cook the subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will
being Duly and solemnly Sworn on the holy Evangel.s of Almighty
God do Depose and say that they Saw the Testator James Millis
sign the same Will and heard him publish and Declare it to be
his Last Will and Testament and that at the Time of his so doing
he was to the best of their Apprehension of sound Disposing mind
and Memory. — Sworn before me Wm. Tilghman Dep.y Comy.
5 Sides of Queen Anns County

In the Name of God Amen I John Loyd of Queen Anns County
being sick and Weak in Body but of Sound and perfect Mind and
memory thanks be to God therefore and Calling to Mind the Uncertainty
of this Life doth Dispose of my Worldly Affairs in Manner and form
following that is to say I give and Bequeath unto my Beloved Wife

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Rebecka Loyd the Half of all my Personal Estate to be Possess and Injoyd after my Dues Debts being paid without any Interruption or Molestation to her and Disposal. I give also unto Joseph Bolten the other the other part of my Personal Estate. My Will is that Joseph Bolten shall pay unto Sarah Storey a Callico Gown & Stuff Petticoat fine Lining for a Shift Apron and Cap and Handkerchief a pair of Shoes and Stockings out of his part of Estate. Item I hereby Nominate and Constitute and appoint my Beloved Wife Rebecka Loyd and Joseph Boulten Executor & Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament Disannulling all former Wills by me made In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my Hand and Seal this Seventeenth Day of November Anno Domini 1754. —

John his ✠ Mark Loyd (Seal)

John his ✠ Mark Deford

John Bolton

John Burke — On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus Written viz. Queen Anns County Sc. the 13th Febry 1755 John Deford and John Bolton Two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will being Duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God do Depose and Say, that they Saw the Testator John Loyd Sign the same Will and heard him publish and Declare it to be his Last Will and Testament, and that at the Time of his so Doing he was to the Best of their Apprehension of Sound and Disposing Mind & Memory — Sworn before me — Wm Tilghman Dep. Comry of Queen Anns County

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In the Name of God Amen the 28th Day of November in the Year of our Lord 1754 I William Thomas of Kent Island in Queen Anns County Planter being Sick and Weak in Body but of perfect Mind and Memory thanks be to God for the same and Calling to Mind the Mortality of my Body and knowing that it is apointed for all Men Once to Die do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament that is to say principles and first of all I give and Recommend my Soul into the Hand of Almighty God that gave it and for my Body I recommend it to the Earth to be buried in a Christian Like Form at the Discretion of my Executors nothing Doubting but all the General Resection I shall receive the Same again by the Mighty power of God and as Touching Such Worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to Bless me with I give Devise and Dispose of in the following Manner and form.

Item I give and Bequath to Edmon Low Joyner in the aforsaid County

my Crop of Corn, Tobacco and Beans and one Heffor of Two Year old and my Cloths and Likewise I apoynt the aforesaid Edmon Low my hole and soule Executor of this my Last Will and Testament in Witness hereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this Day and Year abovewritten

Signed Sealed and Delivered in the presents of
Chas Cockey
Archable Hanna

William his Thomas mark (Seal)

mark

On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus written viz. Queen Anns County Sct. the 16th Janry 1755 Charles Cockey and Archibalds Hanna the subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will being duly and solemnly sworn on the holy Evangels of Almighty God do Depose and say that they saw the Testator William Thomas sign the same Will and heard him publish and Declare it to be his Last Will and Testament and that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of Sound and Disposing Minds and Memory — Sworn before Wm. Tilghman Depy. Comry of Queen Anns County

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In the Name of God Amen the thirteenth Day of November in the Year of our Lord God 1754 I Francis Herbert being afflicted with Sickness in my Body but of good and perfect Memory thanks be to Almighty God, and calling to Mind the Uncertainty of this Life do make Constitute, Ordain, and Declare this my Last Will and Testament in Manner and form following and being sorry for my Sins past humbly Desiring forgiveness for the Same through the Meritorious Death and passion of my Saviour Jesus Christ. I do Commit my Soule into the hands of Almighty God; and my Body to be Buried in such Decent Order, as to my Executrix hereafter named shall think fit; and as to my Temporal Estate I do hereby give and Dispose of the same in Manner and form following I give and Bequeath unto my Loving Wife Elizabeth Herbert, one Negro Man named Joseph, one feather Bed & Furniture, Three Cows & Calfs, and Two Steers, that are in my proper Mark, and further I give her One Mare, Fifteen Head of Hogs, and five Head of Sheep and the best Table in the House.

I give and Bequeath unto my Son Francis Herbert all that part of St. Jerome Plains which is inrolled and Likewise a Negroe Girl called Jane as for my Lands on Patuxent it is my Will that my Executrix make Sale of them and that my Wife Elizabeth Herbert have five —

Thousand Pounds of Tobacco out of the Purchase, and the rest of the Purchase to be Equally Divided betwixt my four Children Michael, William Priscilla and Mary Herbert. —

It is my Will and Desire that after all my Just Debts and Funeral Expenses is paid, that all the Rest of my Estate be Equally Divided between my Wife and my Nine Children; and of this my Last Will and Testament; I do Ordain and appoint my Well Beloved Wife Elizabeth Herbert my Sole and only Executrix of this my Said Testament. In Testimony Whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and seal the Day and Year above Written. —

Fra.ns Herbert (Seal)

The Within was signed, sealed as his Last Will and Testament. —
In Presence of us —
George Leigh
John Dolsey
Richard Thomson

On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus written viz.
St. Marys County: S.t — Decemb.r 24th — 1754. —
Then George Leigh, John Dolsey and Richard Thompson the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being duely and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God — Depose and say that they saw the Testator Francis Herbert — sign the foregoing Will and heard him publish and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament, that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of Sound and Disposing Mind and Memory, and that they Subscribed their Respective Names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his request. —

Sworn to before me Tho.s Disquith —
Dept.y Comry of
St. Marys County

Decemb.r 24th — 1754
Then the Deceasts Widow made her Election & Stands to the Will
A½ Sides Certified by me Tho.s Disquith Dept.y Comisry of St. Marys County —

In the Name of God Amen I John Lewis of St. Mary's County being Very Sick and Weak in Body but of a Perfect Mind & Memory thanks be given to God does make and Ordain this to be my Last Will & Testament as foloeth —
Item I give & Bequeath unto my Dearly Beloved son Charles Lewis one Tract of Land called Batchelors Purchase Whereon I now Live to him his Heirs

Ecrs: Containing fifty five Acres or there abouts and Likewise the Plow & Harrow & the Hoes & the great Table & two Beds & Beds & furniture & two small Pots & one frying Pan & a White Cow & the Black Mare & one Chest & one pair pothooks.

I Likewise give & Bequeath unto my Dearly Beloved Daughter Mary Adams One Shilling Sterling Money of Great Britain & no More to be paid by my Executors hereafter named. I also give & Bequeath unto my Dearly beloved Daughter Sarah Wise one Shilling the Like Money & no more to be paid by my Executors.

I Likewise give & bequeath unto my Dearly beloved Daughter Eleanor Lewis the great Bed I now Lye upon also the Bed & furniture & the White Horse & the Brindle Cow & Yearling & the great Oak hooks & my Chest and all the Rest of my Estate to be Equally Divided Betwen the said Charles Lewis & the said Eleanor Lewis. And Last of all I do Constitute Ordainate & Ordain my Dearly Beloved Son Charles Lewis to be my Sole & Sole Executor of this my Last Will & Testament.

John his Mark Lewis (Seal)

Signed Seald & Declared in presence of us
Testes John Hammett
Tho his Mark Wise

On the Back of the foregoing Will was then Written viz:

St. Marys County: ss. Decemb. 19th 1754 Then John Hammitt & Thomas Wise the subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being Duely and solemnly Sworn on the holy Evangelist of Almighty God deposed and say that they saw the Testator John Lewis sign the foregoing Will and heard him publish & Declare the same to be his Last Will & Testament that at the Time of his so Doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of sound & Disposing Mind and Memory; and that they subscribed their respective Names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his Request Sworn to before me Tho. Asquith Dep. Comty of St. Marys County

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In the Name of God Amen I Peter Carratt being very Sick and weak of Body but in sound and perfect Memory and Calling to Remembrance the Uncertainty of this Life do therefore make and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament upon this fifteenth Day of September Anno Dom: 1754

Imp. I Bequeath my Soul to God Almighty that gave it me hoping by

and through his Dear son to receive Remission for my Sins and finde Exceptance with him and my Body to be buried in Decency... at the Discretion of my Executor hereafter named and as for what Worldly Goods it hath pleased God Almighty to Bestow upon me I Dispose as followeth.—

Item I give and Bequeath to my two Sons Peter & John — Carratt a Small Cut of Corn now in the Ground neat to a Place Called Cates Ground.—

Item I give & Bequeath unto my Son Peter Carratt a — Small Box and a saddle that he Called that he Called his ~~xxxx~~ and a small Table.—

Item I give and Bequeath all the remainder part of my Estate to be Equally Devided Between my four Sons after my Just Debts be paid.—

Lastly I nominate and appint Nehemiah Higgens Wholy.... Executor of this my Last Will and Testament to See it duly Executed and preformed in Witness whereof I have hereunto Sett my Hand and affixed my hand and seal the Day and Year first above Written.—

Peter Parrott (Seal)

Signed Sealed and Delivered
in the presence of us —
Greenwood Gaskins
James his + Thomas
Henry mark Clark

On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus Written viz: Talbot County ss. James Thomas one of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being Duly and solemnly sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God deposeth and saith and Henry Clark one of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being one of the People Called Quakers solemnly and sincerely Declares and affirms that they saw the Testator Peter Parrott sign the foregoing Will and heard him publish and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament, that at the Time of his so Doing he was to the Best of their apprehension of sound and Disposing Mind and Memory, and that they Likewise Saw Greenwood Gaskins the other Subscribing Witness subscribe his Name as a Witness to the said Will Sworn before this Tenth Day of January 1755.—

Dan.l Maynadier
Dep. Comry T. Co.ty

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In the Name of God Amen I Richard Alderson of Talbot County in the Province of Maryland Planter being Weak in Body, but of sound Memory (Blessed be God) do this Eleventh Day of August in the Year of our Lord Christ, one thousand seven hundred and fifty four, make and publish this my Last Will and Testament in Manner following that is to say I imprimis I give and Bequeath to my Dear Beloved Wife Elizabeth Alderson all my Land and Tenements Whatsoever whereof I shall Die seized in Possession Reversion or Remainder, Heirs and Assigns for ever. Item I give to my son William Alderson one Cow and Calf to be paid at the Discretion of my Executrix. Item I give to my Daughter Rebecca Alderson, one Cow and Calf to be paid at the Discretion of my Executrix. Item I give to my Daughter Margaret Alderson one Cow and Calf to be paid at the Discretion of my Executrix. Item I give and Bequeath to my Daughter Anne Alderson one Cow and Calf to be paid at the Discretion of my Executrix Item I give and Bequeath to my Daughter Rachel Alderson one Cow and Calf to be paid at the Discretion of my Executrix Item all the Rest and Residue of my Goods, Chattels, and Personal Estate Whatsower I give to my said Wife Elizabeth Alderson, and I make and Ordain her my said Wife, Sole Executrix of this my Will for the Intents and purposes in this my Will Contained In Witness Whereof I the said Richard Alderson have to this my Last Will and Testament Set my hand and Seal the Day and Year above written.

Signed Sealed and Delivered by the said Richard Alderson as and for his Last Will and Testament in the presence of us who were present at the signing and sealing thereof. James Edge
Law: Maynard
Henry Wharton

R. Alderson (Seal)

On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus Written — viz.

Talbot County ss. James Edge Lawrence Maynard and Henry Wharton the subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being duly and solemnly Sworn on the holy Evangels of Almighty God depose and say that they saw the Testator Richard Alderson sign the foregoing Will and heard

him publish and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the Time of his so Doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of Sound and Disposing Mind and Memory and that they subscribed their respective Names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator .... and at his request which Oath was taken by the said Witnesses in the presence of William Alderson Heir at Law which same William Alderson did not object to the Probate of the said Will Sworn before me the first Day of Febry 1755.

A Ve Fides — Dan'l Maynadier Dep. Regr. T. C. Cty

In the Name of God Amen I John Axley of Talbot County being of Sound and Disposing Mind and Memory do this 28 Day of May in the Year of our Lord God fourteen hundred fifty three make this my Last Will and Testament in Manner and form following first I Recommend my Soul into the hands of God who gave it and my Body to be Decently buried by my Executors hereafter named. Item I give unto my son John Axley One Young Negro Girl named Bet and her Increase to him and his Heirs and Assigns for ever. Item I give unto my Daughter Alice Axley all her Mothers Close to be paid to her by my Executors when she arrives to the age of Sixteen. Item I give and Bequeath all the Residue and remainder of my Estate whatsoever to be Equally Divided between my Said son John Axley and my Daughter Alice Axley to them and their for ever. Lastly I do hereby nominate Constitute and appoint my Kinsman Frank Pickrin my Whole and sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament in Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my Hand and Seal the Day and Year above Written

Testes Pollard Edmondson — John Axley (Seal)
John Jones.

Whereas I was appointed Executor by the above Will by John Axley Decd I hereby renounce my Executorship. as Witness my hand this ninth Day of January 1755 — Frank Pickrin

Test. Thos. Pickering.

On the Back of the foregoing Will was then Written Viz.

Talbot County ss. Pollard Edmondson one of the subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being Duly and solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God deposeth and saith that he saw the Testator John Axley sign the foregoing Will and heard him publish and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament, that at the Time of his so Doing he

299 was to the best of his apprehension of found and Disposing Mind and Memory and that he Likewise saw John Jones the other subscribing Witness, subscribe his name as a Witness to the said Will in the Presence of the said Testator and at his Request. Sworn this tenth Day of January Anno Domini 1755 Before Dan.l Maynadier Deptty Comty Clerk

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Talbot the 7th Day Anno Dom. 1755

In the Name of God Amen I Grace Ferrell of Talbot County in the Province of Maryland being Sick and weak in Body but of Perfect Mind & Memory thanks be given to God therefor Calling unto mind the Mortality of my Body and knowing that it is appointed for all Men once to Die do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament that is to say principally and first of all I give and recommend my Sole unto the hands of God that made it & for my Body I recomend it to the Earth to be buried in a Christian Like & Decent Manner at the Desretion of my Executors. & as touching such Worldly Estate Wherewith it hath pleased God to Bless me with in this Life I give Devise & Dispose of the Same in Manner and forme following:

Item I give to my Daughter Rebecca Ferrell one Gold Ring and all my Waring apparel and also it is my Will that all my Estate Should be Equelly Devided amongst my three Children Rebecca Deborah and Jeames Ferrell and I make and ordain my Daughter Rebecca Ferrell and John Ferrell my hole and Sole Executors of this my Last Will and Testament.

Test. Fargus Farrell
James Robson

Grace
Farrell

On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus Written, Viz.t

Talbot County Ss. Fargus Farrell and James Robson the subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being duly and solemnly sworn on the holy Evangels of Almighty God Depose and Say that they saw the Testator Grace Farrell sign the foregoing Will and hear him publish and Declare the Same to be her Last Will and Testament that at the Time of her So Doing she was to the best of their apprehension of found and Disposing Mind and Memory. Sworn before me this Twenty first Day of February 1755

Dan.l Maynadier Deptty Comty Clerk

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Be it Remembred that one the 19th day of february Anno Dom 1755 James Dunnawan being very Sick and weak of Body but of perfect Sense and Memory made his Verbal Will in the presence and hearing of James Hayes Wm Thomas and Summers Wards which was as followeth Viz:

my Will and Desire is that my Wife Mary Dunnawan have all my Estates of what kind soever to her own Use and Benefit... after all my Just Debts are paid and that none of my Relations shall have any part thereof and I Desire you will take notice thereof that I Declare the Same to be my Last Will.

Testes James Hayes.
William his Mark Thomas
Summers his Mark Wards

On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus Written Viz:t
February y. 25th 1755 Then Came James Hayes, William Thomas and Summers Wards before me the Subscriber and made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they were present at the Dwelling House of the within Mentioned James Dunnawan and heard him Make his Verbal Will as is within Expressed and that at the Time of his so Doing he was to the Best of their Apprehensions of Sound and Disposing Mind and Memory and that the Within mentioned James Dunnawan desired them to take notice that he Declared the same to be his Last Will Sworn before

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Rinnals Dem. D. C.

Know all Men by these Presents that I Henry Hooper Son of Roger Hooper, do hereby Renounce all my Right and Title to the Administration of my Fathers Estate, unto my Cousin Henry Hooper Jr. Son of James Hooper of Dorchester County as Witness my hand this third Day of January Anno Dom 1755

Henry Hooper.

Testes. Edward Ruark

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In the Name of God Amen I John Stafford Cor of Dorchester County in the Province of Maryland being very Sick and weak in Body and in Health but of perfect Mind and Memory blessed be God for it I publish and Ordain and Testify this to be my Last Will and Testament made this twenty Seven Day of January One Thousand Seven hundred and fifty five. first of all after my Decease I Recommend my Soul and Body into the Hands of Almighty God that

gave it to be buried in Christian like manner.

First of all I give and Bequeath unto my Two Grand Sons Elijah Stafford and Elisha Stafford Sixty four acres of Land Called Stafford outlett part of the Same Track of Land that Lot Pritchett holds Divided.

I gave and Bequeath unto my Daughter Elenor Stafford a Cow and Yearlin and their Increase the Cow Called Cherry.

I give and Bequeath unto my Son Tho: Stafford One White Mare Call'd Phaenix also one feather Bed and furniture thereunto Belonging.

I give and Bequeath unto my Son Levin Stafford one Mare Call'd Flie, also one Iron Pot holding about Six or Seven Gallons

I give and Bequeath unto my Son Adam Stafford One feather Bed and furniture thereunto Belonging and one Iron Pot hold about four Gallons and Two Year Old Heffer and her Increase.

I gave and Bequeath unto my Son Solomon Stafford the feather Bed that I Lie on and the furniture thereunto Belonging and my Least Iron pot and Horse Colt Callid rock and one Cow Yearlin and one Chest and one pair of Spoon moulds.

I give and Bequeath unto my five Youngest Children Elenor Stafford & Tho: Stafford and Levin Stafford & Adam Stafford & Solomon Stafford all my pulter to be Equally Divided amongst the five. I give and Bequeath unto my Son William Stafford all my Coopers Tools also my youngest Son Solomon Stafford for him to bring him up in a Christian Like Manner.

I likewise Leave all the Rest of my Goods and Chattles and Houseold stuff to be Equally Divided amongst all my, my Children I also Institute and ordain my Wife Elisabeth Stafford and my Son William Stafford my hole and sole Heirs Executrex and Executor for my Children — and to see that my Son Adam Stafford is put to Live with John Rice to be brought up in a Christian Like Manner and Likewise my Son Levin Stafford to be put to a Black Smith John Rip by Name whereunto I have Set my hand and Seal in the presents of us — 1755

John his Mark Stafford (Seal)

Joshua Wheeler Test
John Maxwell
James his Mark Layton

These are to Certifie whom it may Concern that I the Subscriber do refuse to act as Execut^r of the above Will and do make Choice of One Thos

Part of my Dec^d Husband Estate and will in no Ways Concern with the above Will other than to make it Void as to myself In Witness Whereof I have set my Hands this 20 Day of feb^y 1755.

Eliz^z her E mark Stafford

On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus Written viz:}

On the 20th Day February Anno 1755 John Wheeler and James Layton two of the subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being Duly and solemnly Sworn on the holy Evangels of Almighty God depose and say that they saw John Stafford the Testator sign the foregoing Will and heard him publish and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament, and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of Sound and Disposing Mind and Memory and that they subscribed their respective Names as Witnesses to the said Will In the presence of the said Testator and at his Request and that they Likewise saw John Marrett the other subscribing Witness sign in Like Manner

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Sworn before B. Lenalls D. Com. Ch. Co.

Charles County ss. In the Name of God Amen I Charity Lee of said County Wife to Arthur Lee of said County Gentleman being Sick and Weak of Body but of Sound and Disposing Mind and Memory and Calling to Mind the Uncertainty of this Life do make this my Last Will and Testament in Order to Dispose of and Provide for my Daughter Chloe Howard in a Sufficient and Ample Manner as I have power to Do: And to that End I do by these Presents declare that it is my Will and Desire and I do hereby appoint my Loving Husband the above Mentioned Arthur Lee to be Guardian to my said Daughter Chloe Howard tills she arrive to the Age of sixteen Years and to hold and possess her Estate both Real and Personal in the same Manner as other Guardians do. Provided he shall within three Months after my Decease Enter into Bond in the sum of five hundred pounds Sterling payable to Walter Hanson his Heirs or Assigns for the Use of my Said Daughter Chloe Howard Conditional that he will whenever he is Desired by the said Walter Hanson board with or place the Said Chloe Howard under the Care of my Dear Mother Elizabeth Hanson and there have her Educated and maintained with Meat Drink Washing and Lodging Apparel and other Necessaries Suitable to

her Character and fortune and agreeable to the Direction of the said Elizabeth Hanson and likewise oblige himself by said Condition that in Case the said Elizabeth Hanson shall at any Time refuse to take the said Chloe Howard under her Care and Management or shall depart this Life he the said Arthur Lee shall maintain and Educate her Suitable to her Character and fortune at some other Suitable and Convenient Place to be adjudged of by the said Walter Hanson. and it is my Will and Desire that if my said Husband should refuse or Delay to Enter into a Bond as is above Directed that then and in such Case I hereby appoint my Said Brother Walter Hanson to be Guardian to my Said Daughter Chloe Howard any thing herein Contain'd to the Contrary notwithstanding In Testimony Whereof I have hereunto put my hand and Seal the 2 of January 1755.

Charity Lee (Seal)

Signed Sealed published & Declared in the presence of us.
John Harrison Junr
Wm Hanson. Ann Hanson

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was thus Written &c.
Charles County ss. 21st March 1755 came John Hanson Junior & Ann Hanson Two of the Subscribing Witnesses the within Will who being Duly and solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God do Depose and say that they saw the Testatrix Charity Lee sign & seale the Within Will & heard her publish and Declare the same to be her Last Will & Testament and that at the Time of her so Doing was to the Best of their Apprehensions was of Sound & Disposing Mind & Memory & that they together with William Hanson Junior the other Subscribing Witness severally Subscribed their Names as Witnesses to the said Will in the Presence of the Testatrix & at her Request Sworn before
Dan Jenifer Dep.
of Charles County

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In the Name of God Amen the fourteenth Day of January in the Year of our Lord 1748/9. I Priscilla Davis of Charles County in the Province of Maryland being very Sick and Weak of Body but of perfect Mind and Memory thanks be given unto God therefore Calling to Mind the Mortality of my Body knowing that it is appointed for all Men once to Die doe make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament that is to Say

Principally and first of all I give and recommend my Soul into the hands of God that gave it and for my Body I recommend it to the Earth to be buried in a Christian Like and Decent Manner and as touching Such Worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this Life I give Devise and Dispose of the Same in the following Manner and form. Imprimis I give and Bequeath to my well-Beloved Son Rich.d Davies my whole and Sole Right and Title of a Tract of Land Lying in Charles County being a Plantation which Edward Millsted Senr now Possess named the Mountains Containing One hundred Acres more or Less by him and his Heirs to be posest for Ever and One Bed and Bed Cloaths. —

And also to my Well beloved Daughter Elizabeth Shackles I Leave one Double Gown a Quilted Petticoat & 1 Black Hood & a Small piece of white Linen. —

To Elizabeth Davies one Sugar Box and all that now is . . . . . contained therein. To Priscilla Pickon 1 Callico Gown & Petticoat

To my Well beloved Son Thos. Davies as much Linnen as make a Shirt

To Francis Butcher my Horse & Saddle & 1 Bad to John Winkworth . . .

To my Well Beloved Son Benj.n Davies all my Stock of Cattle . .

To Mary Shackles 1 Gown & to Catt. Shackles 1 Petticoat.

To Jennat Taylor 1 Gown a Shift & Apron & a new Check . . . Handkerchief and to my Well Beloved Son Rich.d Davies whom I Ordain my whole & Sole Executor of this my Last Will & Testament I Leave the remaining part of all my Effects and this and no . . . Other I Constitute and ordain as my Last Will and Testament. In Witness Whereof I have have hereunto Set my hand and Seal this Day and Year above Written.

Signed, Sealed, published and pronounced Declared by the said Priscilla Davies as her Last Will and Testament in Presence of — John Gray. Henry his mark Gray. Patrick W Quaid

Priscilla her Mark Davies (Seal)

— On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus Written Viz.t —

Charles County ss. 15th Feb: 1755 Came John Gray Henry Gray & Patrick W Quaid the three Subscribing Witnesses to the Within Will who being Duly and Solemnly sworn on the Holy Evangels Depose & Say that they Saw the Testatrix Priscilla Davies sign & Seal the Within Will & heard her & publish the same to be her Last Will & Testament and that at the Time of her so doing was to the Best of their Apprehensions of Sound & Disposing Mind & Memory and that they severally Subscribed their Names as Witnesses to the said Will as Witnesses in the Presence of the Testatrix and at her Request which Probat was taken in presence of the Heir at Law who Did not Object before D. Jenifer D. C. of Charles County

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In the Name of God Amen I Leadstone Smallwood of Charles County in the Province of Maryland being sick and weak in Body but in perfect sence doth Constitute and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament in Matter and form as followeth. viz.

Imprimis I give and Bequeath my Soule to Allmighty God who gave it me hoping through the Merits Death and passion of my Saviour Jesus Christ to Receave a forgiveness of all my Sins.

Item I give and Bequeath to my Son Leadstone Smallwood all that Tract of Land wherein I now Dwell Called May Day not before given Containing by Estimation Two hundred Acres I give the said Land with the Appurtenances to my said Son Leadstone Smallwood his Heirs & Assigns for Ever also part of a Tract of Land Called the Addition to May Day Containing Eleven Acres Lying at the Beginning Tree of May Day, I give the said Eleven Acres with the Appurtenances to my Said Son Leadstone Smallwood his Heirs & Assigns for ever.

Item I give and Bequeath to my Son John Smallwood all that Tract or Parcell of Land Called Welcome Containing Two hundred Acres of Land I give the said Land with the Appurtenances to my said Son John Smallwood his Heirs & Assigns for Ever.

Item I give and Bequeath to my Son Leadstone Smallwood Two Negroes to wit one Negro Man Called Charles and one Called John.

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Son John Smallwood three Negroes to Wit one Negro Woman Called Elizabeth one Negro Man called Peter & one Negro Man Called Monnicay and my Two Draft Horses also my Young Mare.

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Susannah Smallwood One Negro Boy Called Tom one Cow and Calf & one feather Bed.

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Son Leadstone Smallwood my Young Roan Horse and my Riding Saddle.

Item I give and Bequeath all the remaining part of my Stock of Cattle hogs and Sheep to my said son John Smallwood And six flag Chairs and one Large square Table & one Large Chest and three Large Pots and one Small one and One Pr. Rack and Two feather Beds & Bedsteads. Item I give and Bequeath my Looking-Glass to be Equally Divided between my Two sons Leadstone and John Smallwoods and also my Hand Mill but my Will and Desire is that it Shall not be moved from my Dwelling Plantation as also my five Tongs & my Iron Pestle one of them to have the Tongs & the other the Pestle

307 Maryland ss. In the Name of God Amen I Peter Montgomery of Charles County in the Province of Maryland being in form of Body but of sound and perfect memory do make this my Last Will and Testament as follows. Imprimis I Bequeath my Soul to God who gave it me, my Body to the Earth, after my Departure to be Decently buried at the Charge of my Estate and Discretion of my Execr. hereafter named. Item I Will, that my Just Debts and funeral Charges be first paid. Item I give and Bequeath unto my Loving Son Francis Montgomery One shilling Sterling.

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Loving Son John Montgomery One shilling Sterling.

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Loving Son Peter Montgomery fifty Six Acres of Land beginning at the first bounds Tree, and lay it out on the same side of a Branch that the Tree stands on, to him and his Heirs for Ever: also One feather Bed and Covering and one Cow and Calf.

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Loving Son Joseph Montgomery fifty Six Acres of Land to be Laid out on the West Side of a Branch Joining to his Brother Peter and the Branch to Divide them to him and his Heirs for Ever.

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Loving Wife Margit Montgomery the Plantation I now Dwell upon with One hundred and twelve Acres of Land Joining thereunto during her Natural Life and after her Decease to my Loving Son William Montgomery to him and his Heirs for Ever.

Item I give and Bequeath unto Loving Daughter Mary Magdalen Higdon and my Loving Son Elisha Montgomery all the remaining part of my Land to be Equally Divided to them and their Heirs for Ever. — Item I give and Bequeath unto my Loving Son James Montgomery One Shilling Sterling.

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Loving Son Richard Montgomery one feather Bed and Covering and one Cow & Calf.

Item I Nominate, Constitute and Ordain my Loving Wife Margit Montgomery whole and sole Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament, to whom the aforesaid Margit my Wife I give and Bequeath all the Remaining part of my Estate I ordain that this present Will to be my Last Will and Testament In Witness Hereof I have set my Hand and fixed my Seale this the 16th

And likewise: One of them to have my Gun and the other my Case of Pistles and my Two Large Pictures to be Equally Divided between my said Two Sons.

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Son William Smallwood one Shilling Sterling and that to be his full part.

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Charity Mitchell one Shilling Sterling & that to be her full part.

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Mary Godfrey one Shilling Sterling and that to be her full part.

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Hennireton Nowland one Shilling Sterling and that to be her full part.

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Grand Daughter Elizabeth Nolands One Shilling Sterling and that to be her full part.

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Son Leadstone Smallwood my Large Bible & my Book Called Josephus & one Iron pot Back.

Item I give and Bequeath all my Tobacco and Corn to my Son John Smallwood & my Two Daughters Susannah & Elizibeth Smallwood for their support of them and their Negroes. Lastly I appoint Constitute and Ordain my Son Leadstone Smallwood & my Son John Smallwood to be my hole and sole Executors of this my Last Will and Testament as Witness my hand and seal this Twentieth Day of January Anno Domni One thousand seven hundred & fifty five.

Leadstone his L ⊠ Smallwood Mark (Seal)

Testes - Edward Goodrick
William Smallwood
Edward Boswell
Thomas Hanny his X Luckett Junr
Mark

On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus Written Viz.

Charles County Sct. 22d February 1755 Came Edward Goodrick, William Smallwood and Edward Boswell Three of the Subscribing Witnesses to the Within Will and made Oath on the holy Evangelists of Almighty God that they Saw The Testator Leadstone Smallwood Sign & Seal the Within Will & heard him publish and Declare the same to be his Last Will & Testament and that at the Time of his so Doing was to the best of their Apprehensions of Sound and Disposing Mind and Memory and that severally Subscribed their Respective Names as Witnesses to the Said Will in the Presence of the Testator and at his Request which Probat was Taken in the Presence of William Smallwood Heir at Law to the Deceased who Did not object thereto - Test= before Dan. Jenifer.
D Co: of Cha. County

8 Sides

Day of January in the Year of our Lord 1752.

Edw. Turner
Jacob Moreland
John his ✗ mark Hunt

Peter Montgomery (Seal)

On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus Written viz:
Charles County ss. 26th Decemb: 1754 Came Edward Turner
Jacob Moreland and John Hunt the three subscribing Witnesses
to the foregoing Will who being Duly & Solemnly Sworn on the
Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that they saw the Testator
Peter Montgomery sign & Seale the aforesaid Will and heard
him publish and Declare the same to be his Last Will and
Testament and that at the Time of his so Doing was to the
best of their Apprehensions of sound and Disposing Mind and
Memory and that they severally Subscribed their Names as
Witnesses to the said Will in presence of the Testator and at
his request Which Probat was taken after Francis Montgomery
Heir at Law had signified he had no Objections - Before -
5 Sides D. Jenifer Deputy of Chas. County -

Frederick County Maryland

In the Name of God Amen I Grove
Hamilton being Sick & Weak of Body but of perfect memory & of sound
Mind do make this my Last Will & Testament & first of all I Commit
my Body to the Earth to be buried in a Christian & Decent manner
and my soul I Commit into the Hands of Almighty God who gave
it me & my Worldly Estate both personall & Realle I Leave
Bequeath & Devise in Manner following: —
first of all I Leve and Bequeath to my Beloved Wife Mary four
Negro named James & Peter Sally & Sarah and also a third part of
all the Rest of my parsonnable Estate During her Natrull Life. —
secondly I Leve & Bequeath & Devise to Ninian Mockbee a track
of Land Calle good Luck Containg 150 Lakers & also one Track of
Land Generosity Containing 75 Lakers & also a Track of Land Calle
Groves hunting Outlet Containing one 100 Lakers to him his Heirs or
Assigns for ever. I also Leave unto him sd Ninian Mockbee a
Negro Boy Called Stafford. — I also Leave Bequeath & Devise unto
Mary Mockbee one 120 Lakers of Land called the Suport to Groves
Hunting Outlet to her her Ears or Assigns for ever Also one Negro
Gall Call'd Dinah I also leave Ann Mockbee One Negro Gall
Call'd Egg and one Negro Boy Called Batchler — I also Leave

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unto Lusey Mockbee Two Negro Boys Called Ben & Jeser. I also Leave unto Lesue Mockbee the Mother of the said Children One Negro Man Called Dick & all the rest of my Parsnall Estate Goods and Chattels to be Equely Divided among the aforesaid Children Ninian Mary Ann & Luica Mockbee. I also apoint & ordain Ninian Tannehill Senior & Hugh Tomlison the Executors of this my Last Will & Testament & revoking all other Wills & Deeds by me made I do confirm & Declare this to be my Last Will & Testament In Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my Hand & fixt my Seal this twenty second Day of March One thousand seven hundred fifty & five.

Signd seald & Declared
in presents of
John Nichols
John Maddox
Francis Woodward
Wm Dulany

Grove his mark Tomlison (Seal)

Aprill ye 1st 1755

as I am Incapable of Coming up to Annapolis my self I Entirely Deny the Will of my Deceased Husband Grove Tomlinsone & will take my Chance agreable to Act of Assembly which hope will be Complied with according to the Directions of the Commissary Office & You'll oblige

Your Humble Serv.t

Test. Alex.r Beall
This by my Son James Goore

Mary her mark Tomlinson

On the Backe of the foregoing Will was thus Written Viz. Maryland ss. On the 7th Day of April 1755 Came John Maddox and Francis Woodwards two of the subscribing Witnesses to the Within Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they saw Grove Tomlinson the Within named Testator sign and seal and heard him publish pronounce and Declare the within Will to be his Last Will and Testament that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of sound and Disposing Mind and Memory, and that they together with John Nichols the other subscribing Witness to the Within Will severally subscribed their Respective Names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his Request Sworn before

Dan.l Dulany Com.y Gen.l

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In the Name of God Amen I Tobias Middlemore of Baltimore County in the Province of Maryland being weak in Body but in perfect Memory Blessed be God do make this my Last Will and Testament in Manner & form following.—

Imprimis I Commend my Soule into the Hands of Almighty God who gave it, and my Body to be Decently Buried by my Executrix at her Discretion, and as for what Worldly Estate it hath pleased God to Bless me with to be Disposd off as Viz:—

Item I give to my good friend Capt. Samuel Lawrence of Lond.n Two hundred and fifty pounds Sterling Money, part of Six hundred pounds which by his Letter and Acco.t Curr.t has Laid out in Stock for my use. Item I give to my good friend Capt. Jermingham Bigg of London Two hundred and fifty pounds Sterling Money, part of the above Six hundred pounds Laid out in Stock as aforesaide. Item I give to my Good friend Mr Joseph Bozely of Lond.n Fifty pounds Sterling money part of the Six hundred pounds Stock as aforesaid. Item I give to my Good friend Mr Edward Hankin of London fifty Pounds Sterling money part of the sd £600 Stock as above, and the Residue which remains in Capt. Lawrences hands as Interest for the sd Six hundred Pounds I give to him for his Care and Trouble. Item I give and Bequeath to my good friends Mr Joseph Bozely & Mr Edward Hankin Jointly the Tract of Land Called by the Name of Websters Inlargement and also another small Tract of Land adjoining Called and known by the Name of Aron Spring Neck to them their, Heirs and Assigns for ever. Item I give and Bequeath to my good friend Mr John Pace senior all that Tract of Land Called by the name of Middlemores Defence, to him, his Heirs, and Assigns for ever. Item I give & Bequeath to said Mr John Pace senior all that Tract of Land Called and known by the Name of Swan Harbour Lying on the Head of Swan Creek to him his Heirs and Assigns for ever. Item I Remit, and Release to my good friend Mr William Dallam the Two hundred and Eighteen pounds nineteen Shillings and five pence Sterling Money wch is Due to me as his Bond Bearing Date the sixth Day Aug.t fourteen Hundred forty Eight & the Interest Due thereon. Item I give and Bequeath to Richard Dallam son of William and Elizabeth Dallam all that Tract and parcell of Land, Called and known by the Name of Palmers Points (after the Decease of my loving Wife Frances Middlemore) to him and his Issue but in default

of Said Issue to go to his Brother Josias Dallam son of William & Elizabeth to him his Heirs and Assigns for Ever. Item I give to my Loving Wife Frances Middlemore all the Rest and Residue both of my Real and Personal Estates Whatever, Whether Lands Negroes, Goods, and Chattles. and all Debts due by Bond, Bill, Note of hand and Book acco^t. To her, her Heirs and Assigns for Ever and Lastly I Constitute and appoint my Said loving Wife to be my Sole Executrix to this my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and affixt my Seal this 2 Sep: 1754

Signed Sealed and Delivered by the Testator as, and for his Last Will & Testament in the presence of us
Robt. Adair Nath: Richardson, Jacob Lusby

Jos Middlemore (Seal)

On the Back of the foregoing Will was this Written Viz^t Baltimore County ss March 26.th 1755 Came Robert Adair & Jacob Lusby Two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being Duly and Solemnly Sworn on the holy Evangelists of Almighty God depose and Say that they Saw the Testator Josias Middlemore Sign the foregoing Will & heard him publish and Declare the Same to be his Last Will and Testament, at the Same time Came Nathan Richardson one of the People Called Quakers & made his Solemnation that he also saw the Testator Sign the Said Will and heard him publish and Declare the Same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the Time of his Signing he was to the best of their Apprehensions of Sound & Disposing Mind & Memory and that they Subscribed their Respective Names as Witnesses to the Said Will in the presence of the Said Testator & at his request

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Sworn and affirmed before
Wm Young Comy
of Baltimore County

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In the Name of God Amen I Averilla Hall of Baltimore County and Province of Maryland being Sick and weak in Body but of Sound Disposing Mind and Memory thanks be given to Almighty God do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament in Manner and form following.

Imprimis I give and Bequeathe unto my Grand Son Edward Carvill Tolley one Negro Boy Called Peter To him his Heirs and Assigns for Ever

2dly I give and Bequeathe unto my Daughter Martha Tolley Two

feather Beds one Bolster and Two Pillows generally deemed hers
also a Bedstead Curtains one Rug Two pair of Blankets and
Two pair of Sheets To her, her Heirs and Assigns for Ever.
3dly I give and Bequeath unto my Son John Hall One
Negro Woman Called Hagar To him his Heirs and Assigns for
Ever. 4thly I give and Bequeath unto my Grand Daughter Sophia
Hall Daughter of John Hall one Negro Girl Called Billinda
and her Increase to her and her Heirs for Ever.
5thly I give and Bequeath unto my Grand Daughter Martha
Hall Daughter of the abovesaid John Hall one Negro Boy called
Jack Alphonso to her and her Heirs for Ever.
6thly I give and Bequeath unto my Grand Son Edward Hall
Son of the abovesaid John Hall one Negro Boy called Sampson
To him his Heirs and Assigns for Ever.
7thly and Lastly it is my Will and Desire that if there should
be any thing Left after my Just Debts and Legacies are paid
that it be Equally Divided between my Son John Hall and my
Daughter Martha Colley and I do hereby Constitute and appoint
my Son John Hall to be my whole and Sole Executor of this my
Last Will and Testament hereby revoking Disannulling and
making Void all former Will or Wills heretofore made by me
In Testimony Whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and affixed
my Seal this thirtieth Day of January Anno Dominé One
Thousand Seven hundred and fifty five.

Signed Sealed and Delivered — Avorilla Hall (Seal)
in the presence of us the Subscribers
Mary her mark Scott — Benjamin Crockett — Edward Hall, — John Crockett

On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus Written viz.
Baltimore County April 15th 1765 Then Came Doctor Benjamin Crocket
& Edwd Hall Two of the Subscribing Witness to the foregoing Will being
Duly & Solemnly sworn on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God depose
and say that they saw the Testatrix Avorilla Hall sign the said Will
at the same time Came Mary Scott being one of the People Called
Quakers & Solemnly affirmed that she saw the aft. Dec.d Avorilla Hall
sign the said Will & heard her publish & Declare the same to be her
Last Will and Testament — that at the Time of her So Doing She was
to the best of all their Apprehensions of Sound & Disposing Mind & Memory
and that they Saw the other Witness John Crocket Sign his name as a Witness
in her presence & at her Request sworn & affirmed before W. Young D. Comty Baltimore County

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In the Name of God Amen I Patrick Gray of Baltimore Town in Baltimore County Maryland being weak in Body but of perfect Mind and Memory doth make this my Last Will and Testament in Manner and form following Viz.t

Imprimis that is to say I recommend my Soul to God who gave it hoping through the Merits Jesus Christ to receive the forgiveness of my Sins and my Body to the Earth to be Decently Buried accordingly to the Direction of my Executrix hereafter Named.

Item: I do give and Bequeath to my Lawful Wife Ann Gray all my Lands Houses Tenements Goods Chattels and my Estate both real and Personalls that I shall be possessed off or have a Right to at the time of my Death To her the said Ann Gray her Heirs & Assigns for ever

Item. I do hereby Constitute & appoint the said Ann Gray Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament hereby revocking all former Wills heretofore made as Witness my hand and Seal this 10 Day of Decr 1754.

Patrick Gray (Seal)

Signed sealed and Delivered and Declared to be his Last Will and Testament in Presence of. Test. Interlined Excepted

Richard Wann, Gilbert Crockett, Constance Crockett

On the Back of the foregoing Will was then Written Viz.t

Baltimore County March 31st 1755 then Came the three subscribing Witnesses to the Within Will and being Duly and solemnly sworn on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God Depose and Say that they Saw the Testator Patrick Gray sign the Within Will & heard him publish & Declare the Same to be his Last Will & Testament that at the Time of his so Doing he was to the best of their apprehensions of Sound & Disposing Mind Mind & Memory & that they subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in his presence & at his request.

W. Young D. Commy
Baltimore County

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In the Name of God Amen October the Tenth Day in the 27 Year of our Lord God One thousand seven hundred and fifty four I Richard Phillips of somerset County and Province of Maryland Planter being very Sick and Weak in Body but in perfect Mind and Memory thanks be to God therefore Calling to Mind the Mortality of my Body and knowing that it is appointed for all Men Once to Die do make and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament that is to say principally & first of all I give and

Recomend my Soule into the hands of God that gave it and as for my Body I recommend it to the Earth to be Buried in a Christian-like and Decent Manner at the Direction of my Executors nothing doubting but at the generale Resurrection I shall receive the same again. By the Mighty power of God and as touching Such Worldly Estate with which it hath pleased God to Bless me with in this Life I give Devise & Dispose of the same in the following Manner and form. —

It is my Will and I do Ordain in the first place that my Just Debts and funeral Charges be paid and satisfied. —

Item it is my Will and I do ordain ~~in the first place~~ and Constitute my Loving Wife Alse Phillips my sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament. desiring that Thomas Holdbrook & William Pullet may be her the said Alce Phillipses Assistants in the Administration of the Said. —

Item it is also my Will that a Negro Wench Called Morron and my own Riding Horse Called Brandy to be sold as the aforemention'd Persons Holdbrook and Pullet shall think proper to be put to the Use of Discharging my Just Debts & and the Like. —

Item I give and Bequeath unto my son John Phillips one Horse Colt of one Year and a Half Old. —

Item I give and Bequeath unto my son James Phillips one Negro Boy Called Cambo with Two third parts of the Moveable Estate to be paid to said James Phillips at the Marriage or Decease of my Loving Wife Alce Phillips only the Negro Boy to be paid ato the said James Phillips when is at age of Twenty one Years. —

Item I Likewise do ordain that my Loving Wife Alce Phillips and my Beloved son John Phillips may have Equal and Joint Liberty of the Plantation with Every ~~thing~~ thing as Cattle Hogs Household Goods and Horses and the like to their Use Equally During my Loving Wifes Natural Life or Widowhood whereon I now Live and at my Loving Wifes Decease or Marriage. —

then my son John Phillips to be possest with the said Plantation Totally to him his Heirs for Ever the Moveable Estate to be Divided between my Two Sons John and James Phillips at my Said Wifes Decease or ~~[illegible]~~ Marriage. —

And it is my Desire that my son James Phillips may be bound an Apprentice to the sea or to some Trade as his Mother and friends shall think proper. —

And I do hereby Disallow Revoke and Discharge all and Every other former Testament with Legacies and Executors by me in any ways before this Time named Willed or Bequeathed. Ratifying & Confirming this to be my Last Will and Testament in Witness I have hereunto set my Hand and seal this Eleventh Day of October the Year above Written) —

Rich— Phillips (Seal)

Signed sealed, published, pronounced and Declared by the said Richard Phillips as his Last Will and Testament in presents of us —

William Giles, John Dawson, George his B Mark Bennett

On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus Written —

December the 31st 1754 Came William Giles, John Dawson and George Bennett Witnesses to this Will and made Oath on the holy Evangells of Almighty God that they Saw the Testator Richard Phillips sign & seal and heard him publish pronounce & declare this Instrument of Writing as his Last Will and Testament and that at the Time of their so Doing he was to the best of their apprehensions of sound & Disposing Mind ~~xxxx~~ Memory & understanding and that they the William Giles, John Dawson and George Bennett subscribed as Witnesses to said Will in the presence and at the request of the Testator Richard Phillips — Sworn to before — Nehemiah King

7½ Sides — Dec.r 31 - 1754 Came Rebecca Phillips Widow of the ye Richard Phillips Before me the Subscriber on the Day aforesaid & made her Election to this Will and Desires to be Concluded by one third of Both Real & personal Estate and Relinquishes any Claim by the said Will Testis Nehemiah King D. Co:

Dep.ty Comty of Somd County

In the Name of God Amen I Collins Adams being not Very well in Helth but thanks be to Almighty God in sound and perfect Memory and of a sound Mind and Considering the frailty of Mankind and the Many Difficultys attending this Natural state have undertaken to Endeavour to settle my Worldly Affairs to save Disputes which may arise hereafter after Son also willing give Posterity as Little Cause for Dispute as possible as for my Body after my Dissolution I Leave that to the Direction of my Executor hereafter named my Will and Desire is that all my Just Depts should be paid and the Residue of my Estate which it hath pleased Almighty God to bless me with I Dispose of in sound and Manner and Manner following — Viz.

Item I Leave to my Dear and well Beloved Wife the Plantation whereon I now Live During her Widowhood and four Negroes Viz. Tom, Cesar, Flora and Nan During her Widow Hood ~~xxx xxxx xxxxxxxx xxxx~~ Two feathers Beds Sow Colts, six Head of Cattle my Bay Gelding Wave

Which is Called her Mare and the third part of my Hogs during her Widowhood. Item I give and Bequeathe to my well Beloved Son Jacob the Tract of Land Whereon I now Live extending as the Tract is to the County Road that Leads to Rehoboth from Ralph Milbourns and from the Gate Joining to the to fiealds nex to Isaac Dickeson to Run along the Old Path that Leads to Dickesons to the Head of the Tract all the South Side of that Tract from the Main Road to the Head of the Land as Well as the Lowermost part of the Said Tract and half the Mars Land Called Houstons Choice To him and his Heirs for Ever. Excepting the Orchard Called the old Orchard that as the fence stands I give and Bequeathe to my Second son Phillip and the Other Half of Houstons Choice and that part of Snows hills the Tract I Live on which Lies on the West Side of the Road to the Northward from the Gate that is nex to Isaac Dickesons and the Old Path before Mentioned and one Other Tracke Called Collins Adventure all the abovementioned Land I give and Bequeathe to my Second son Phillip and to him and his heirs for Ever.

Item to my Eldest Daughter Sarahe I give and Bequeathe my Negro Girl Called Pleasent Excepting her first Child that Lives to the Age of a Year Old, that Child I give to my Son Jacob to him and his Heirs for Ever and the aſ- Pleasent and her Increase to the aſ- Sarah and heirs for Ever.

Item I give and Bequeath to my Second Daughter Abigail my Negro Girl Called Sarah excepting her first Child that Lives to the Age of one Years Old to my son Phillip to him and his Heirs for Ever & the aſ- Girl Called Sarah and her Increase to the aſ- Abigail and her Heirs for Ever.

Item I give and Bequeath to my thirde Daughter Tabitha my Negro Girl Called Sophia To her and her Heirs for Ever.

Item I give and Bequeath to my third Son Jam- Collins my Negro Girl Called Luce To him and his Heirs for Ever.

Item I give and Bequeath to fourth son Isaac my Negro Boy Called Will To him and his Heirs for Ever.

Item I give and Bequeath to my fourth Daughter Ann Mary my Negro Girl Called Amie to her and her Heirs for Ever the above Mentioned to be Delivered when the Several Children Comes to the Age of Twenty and One or at the Day of Marriage.

Item I give and Bequeathe to my Youngest sons Jam- Collins & Isaac fifty pounds to Each to be paid when they arrive to the Age of Twenty & One

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And I do Constitute and appoint my Dear and well Beloved Wife my whole and sole Exetricks to act and the Residue of my Estate to be Equilly Divided amoungst all my Children before Mentioned

Signed sealed & Delivered in presents of us — Collins Addams (Seal)

Samuel Collins, Joshua Donoho
John Collins, Samuel Collins Junear

On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus Written viz:

March the 24th 1755 Cam Samuell Collins, John Collins and Samuel Collins Junr the three subscribing Witnesses which were to be had to this Will and made oath on the Holy Evangells of Almighty God that they saw the Testator Collins Addams, sign and seal and heard him publish pronounce and Declare this Instrument of writing as his Last Will and Testament and that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehensions of sound and Disposing Mind ~~and~~ Memory and Understanding, and that they the ~~the~~ said Samuel Collins John Collins, and Samuel Collins Junior subscribed their Names a Witnesses and further Depose they saw the other Witness Joshua Donaho subscribe as a Witness at the same time which was all Done in the presence and at the request of the Testator Collins Addams Sworn to before

March the 24 — 1755 Came Tabitha Addams Widow or Executrix of the Last Will and Testament of the Testator Collins Adams Before me the Subscriber and agreable to Law made the following Election that is she Desires she may be Concluded by the Provision as to the Land made her in his Will and Claims the thirds of the Personal Estate. supposing the provision made her by the Will, not a sufficient support Testis 9 Sides

Nehemiah King Depty Comty of Somerset County

In the Name off God Amen I John Croughton of somerset in the Province of Maryland. Being sick and Weak in Body but of perfect Mind and Memory praise be given to Almighty God therefore do make and Ordain this my present Last Will and Testament in Manner & form following that is to Say first and principly I Commend my Soul into the hands of Almighty God hoping through the Merits & passion of my Saviour Jesus Christ to have full and free pardon

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of Thomas Linsey (and not given to my Son John) unto my Son William Broughton his Heirs and Assigns for Ever admit he shall allow my Daughter Esther Broughton one of the Houses on my Land to Live in as Long as she Lives a Single. Item I give unto my Son John Broughton Junr fifty Acres of Land Lying at the head of the Neck Called Hogg Quarter to him my said Son John Broughton Junr his Heirs and Assigns for Ever. Item I give and Bequeath unto my Sons William Broughton and my John Broughton all my Cyder Casque that is to say my Son William Broughton Two thirds and my Son John Broughton to have one third of my Cyder Casques. Item I give unto my Daughter Hannah Riggen One Oval Table. Item I give unto my Daughter Esther Broughton my Young Horse, one Desk, one Big Chest a Middling Large Looking Glass and a Linen Wheel. Item I give unto my Son William Broughton my Gun and Hand Mill and frames and all things thereunto belonging. Item I give and Bequeath all the Rest of my Personall Estate Let it be of What kind or Sort soever I Leave to my Son John Broughton Junr and my Daughter Esther Broughton to be Equally Divided between them after my Decease. Lastly and I do hereby Constitute and appoint my Son John Broughton Junr Executor of this my Last Will and Testament and I do ~~hereby~~ Revoke Disannul and make Void all former and other Will and Testament heretofore by me made. In Witness Whereof I the said John Broughton to this my Last Will and Testament Containing One Sheet of Paper have set my Hand and affixed my Seal this tenth Day of January Anno Dom. One thousand Seven hundred and fifty five

Signed, Sealed, published, pronounced and Declared in presence of:

John his Mark Broughton (Seal)

Cornelius Ward, Thos. Maddux, John Perkins.

On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus Written — viz.

March the 2d 1755 Came Cornelius Ward Thomas Maddux and John Perkins Subscribing Witnesses to this Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they Saw the Testator John Broughton Sign and Seal and heard him publish pronounce and Declare this Instrument of Writing as his Last Will and Testament and that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehensions of Sound & Disposing Mind Memory & Understanding that they the said Cornelius Ward, Thomas Maddux & John Perkins Subscribed as Witnesses to said Will in the presence and at the request of the Testator John Broughton Sworn to Before — Nehemiah King Dep. Clerk of Somerset County

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forgiveness of all my Sins and to Inherit everlasting Life and my Body I Commit to the Earth to be Decently Buried at the .... Discretion of my Executors hereafter named; and as touching the Disposion of all such Temporal Estate as it hath pleased Almighty God to Bestow upon me I give and Dispose as followeth ....

Imprimis First I Will that all my Debts and Funeral Charges shall be paid and Discharged. Item I give and Bequeath .. unto my son William Broughton all that parcell of Land and Plantation that I now live on being part of a Tract of Land Called Williams hope Containing One hundred Acres more or Less to him the said William Broughton his Heirs and Assigns for Ever but he shall allow my Esther Broughton one House to Live in as her own but if my son William Broughton should Dy and my Daughter in Law Jemima Broughton shall be fully possest of the same During her Widowhood but if she shall marry again she shall have no Rite to any part of my Lands but my Grandson John Broughton son of William Broughton shall have all at his Disposial at the Age of Eighteen Years but not to make Sale of and Whosoever shall be possest of it shall allow my Daughter Esther Broughton shall have free Privilege for all her Creatures without any Interopsion as Long as she dwell on the Plantation. I Will that my Son William Broughton shall allow my son John Broughton one third part of the fruit of the Orchards on my Plantation for three Years. Item I give .. unto my son John Broughton Junr the Upper part of that parcell of Land that I Bought of Thomas Linsey being part of a Tract of Land Called Williams Hope the said part or parcell of Land to begin at a marked Maple standing by a Little Damm on the Westermost side of a Branch called Freemans branch and from the said Maple Running with a Line of Marked Trees .... Marked with four Notches on each side to the second Bounder of the aforesd parcell of Land that I bought of the said Thomas Linsey that is to say I give all the Land that Lieth on the Upper or North side of the aforesd Line unto him the said John Broughton .... Junior his Heirs and Assigns for Ever Admit he shall allow Esther Broughton a free privilege for all her Creatures on any of the Land without any Interruption. Item I give unto my son William Broughton all the Remaing part of that parcell of Land that I bought ..

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In the Name of God Amen the ninth Day of January Anno Dom. 1753 N.S. I Robert ~~of Ant~~ Scot of Coventree Parish in somerset County in the Province of Maryland being Weak in Body but of perfect Mind and Memory thanks be given to Almighty God for the Same therefore Calling to mind the Mortality of my Body and knowing that it is appointed for all Men once to Die do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament in Manner and form following Viz. Imprimis I give and Devise unto my son John Scot all my Lands or Plantation Whereon I now Live together with all the Rights Proffits or Privileges thereunto Belonging or in any Manner appertaining to him the said John Scott and his Heirs for Ever. and Lastly I do ordain and appoint this and no other to be my last Will and Testament revoking all others heretofore by me made as Witness my Hand the Day and Year first above Written.

Signed Sealed Published pronounced & Declared by the Said Robert Scot as his Last Will & Testament in presence of us the Subscribers.

Robert Scott (Seal)

Thomas Tull, the Mark of Naomi Kelsick. William Fordred.

On the Back of the foregoing Will was this Written viz: March the 22d – 1755 Came Thomas Tull and Neomey Kelsick the surviving Witnesses to the above Will and made Oath on the holy Evangells of Almighty God that they saw the Testator Robert Scott Sign and Seal and heard him publish pronounce and Declare this Instrument of Writing as his Last Will and Testament and that at the Time of his so Doing he was to the best of their apprehension of Sound and Disposing Mind Memory and Understanding and that they the said Thomas Tull and Neomey Kelsick Subscribed as Witnesses and further Depose they saw the other Witness subscribe at same time which was done in the presence and at the Request of the Testator Robert Scott Sworn to before

Nehemiah King D Comy
of Somerset County

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In the Name of God Amen I Samuel Handy of Somerset County being sick in Body but of a sound and Disposing Memory do dispose of all my Worldly Estate by this my last Will and Manner and form following that is to say.. First I give unto my Beloved Wife Mary Handy One third part of my Lands and Houses and all other the Improvements Thereon During her Natural Life. I give unto my Son Samuel Handy his Heirs and Assigns forever all my Lands to him and his Heirs and Assigns for Ever Except the thirds given before unto his Mother and after her Decease then the said thirds to be and remain unto him the said Samuel and his Heirs and Assigns for Ever. I Leave my Son Samuel Under the Care and Direction of my Brother in Law Littleton Dennis until he arrives at the Age of Twenty one Years. I give unto my said Wife Mary Handy the following Negroes to wit One Negroe Man named Cudgoe, One Negro Woman named Dido one other Named Jenney, One Girl named Patience and One Boy named Harry, that is to say I give them as followeth that my said Wife have the Use only of Jenney and Patience During her Natural Life or Widowhood which may first happen and that Immediately after then I give Jenney unto my Daughter Mary Handy and her Assigns for Ever and Patience I give unto my Daughter Elizabeth Handy & her Assigns for Ever and the first Child that the said Jenney shall have and shall be Living at the Time of the Death of my Said Wife or Widowhood I give the Same unto my Son John Handy his Heirs & Assigns for Ever and the first Child that the said Dido shall have and be Living at the Time of the Death or Widowhood as af- I give unto my Son William Handy & his Assigns for Ever, which said Children of Direct may be brought up & maintained by them that shall have the Two Negroe Women in possession, and Cudgoe Dido and Harry I give unto my said Wife During her Natural Life and at her Decease that the same (Except the second Child that Dido shall have & be alive at the Death of my said Wife which Child I give unto my Son Samuel Handy his Heirs and Assigns for Ever) I Leave to be Equally to be Divided between my Children Mary Handy, Elizabeth Handy, John Handy & William Handy. I give my New Gun unto my Son Samuel Handy and his Assigns - I give

unto my son John Handy the Gun I had of Mr Whitaker. I
give all the Rest of my Estate unto my said Wife after my
Debt paid to be at her Disposal. I give unto my Wife all the
Increase of the aforesd Negroes that shall be at the Time of her
Death Except before Disposed of, unto her and at her Disposal
Lastly I make Constitute, Ordain & appoint my Said Wife
my Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament hereby revoking
and Disannulling all other former Wills heretofore by me made.
in Testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand & Seal this
Second Day of November in the Year of our Lord God one
Thousand One thousand seven hundred and fifty four.

signed sealed Declared published and pronounced to be his Last Will & Testament in presence of us.
Jam^s Handy (Seal)
Jno^s Handy Dennis Junior, Littleton Dennis

On the Back of the forgoing Will was this Written Viz^t
April the 2^d 1755 Came John Dennis and Littleton Dennis two
of the subscribing Witnesses to the within Will, as also on Same day
Came the other Witness Thomas Handy and all made Oath on
the Holy Evangells of Almighty God, that they Saw the Testator
Samuel Handy Sign and Seal and heard him publish pronounce
and Declare this Instrument of Writing as his Last Will and
Testament and that at the Time of his so Doing he was to
the Best of their Apprehensions of Sound and Disposing Mind
Memory and Understanding and that they the said Littleton
Dennis John Dennis and Thomas Handy, Subscribed as Witnesses
to said Will in the presence and at the Request of the Testator.
James Handy Sworn to the Day above Before
Nehemiah King D^Comty of Somt County

April the 2^d 1755 Came Mary Handy Widow and Executrix of
Samuel Handy the Testator before me the Subscriber and made
her Election on this Will and Desires she may be Concluded
by the provision made therein and Relinquishes any Claim by
Law as to the thirds of Either Real or Personal Estates.
Nehemiah King D^Comty
of Somerset County

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In the Name of God Amen the 29th Day of November Anno Dom: 1754 I James Vincent of Stepney Parish in the County of Somerset being very sick & weak in Body but of perfect Memory thanks be to Almighty God for it therefore Calling to Mind the Mortality of my Body knowing that it is appointed for all Men once to Die, first and principally I recommend my Soul to God that gave it and my Body to the Earth from whence it was taken to be buried in a decent and Christian Manner as my Exr. shall see fit And as for my Worldly Estate as God hath Blessed me with in this Life I give and Dispose of in Manner and form following Viz.

Imprimis I give and Bequeath unto my Loving Son Joseph Vincent my now Dwelling Plantation with all the Cleared ground and twenty five Acres of Land out of my Track of Land called Batcheller Choice at the Begining Lids to him and his Heirs for ever but if he should Die without Heirs of his Body then it is my Will that my Loving son Benjamin Vincent shall inherit the above Mentioned twenty five Acres of Land and appurtenances thereunto Belonging To him and his Heirs for ever. 2dly I give and Bequeathe to my son Jacob Vincent the Remaining part of my Land being fifty Acres to him and his Heirs for ever if he shall think fit to Live on it if not to Descend to my Son Joseph and as above Mentioned. 3dly I give and Bequeath to my Loving Wife Sarah Vincent all my Personall Estate During her Natural Life or Widowhood and after her Death or Marriage to be Equally Divided amongst all my Children acknowledging this to be my Last Will and Testament and none other in Testamony Whereof I have here set my hand and affixed my Seale the Day and Year above Mentioned.

Signed sealed and pronounced in the presence of us

Thomas Moor, William Moor, Giles Moor

James his ✝ mark Vincent (Seal)

On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus Written viz.

April the 9th 1755 Cam Thomas Moore William Moore and Giles Moore Witnesses to the Will and made oath on the Holy Evangells of Almighty God that they saw the Testator James Vincent sign and seal and heard him publick pronounce & Declare this Instrument of writing as his Last Will and Testament and that at the Time of their so Doing he was to the Best of their apprehensions of sound and Disposing Mind Memory and Understanding and that they the said Thomas Moore, William Moore and Giles Moore subscribed as Witnesses to said Will in the presence & at the request of the Testator James Vincent Sworn to before Nehemiah Ridgely Clerk of Somerset County.

Sam.ll ss. I the subscriber do by these presence as Widdow and Relict of Joseph Humphries, Relinquish all my Right and Title of the Administration of my Deceasd Husband unto my Brother in Law Thomas Humphries given under my hand this 29th Day of March 1755

Test. Wm Nehemiah King
1/2 Sid. Deputy Comry of Somr County

Anne her X mark Humphries

In the Name of God Amen I Elizabeth West of Ann Arundell County being Sick and Weak in Body but of Sound Minde and memory thanks be to Almighty God do make this my Last Will and Testament in Manner and form following hereby revoking and making Void all former Wills and Testaments by me made Comitting my Soul into the Merciful Arms of our Blessed Redeemer Jesus Christ in whose Merits I hope for Eternal Life in Heaven. Imprimis I give and Bequeathe unto my Daughter Elizabeth Ward all my outside Wearing Apparell, that is to say Gowns, Petticoats, Cloak Velvet Hood &c. To her and her Heirs. Item I give and Bequeath unto my Two Daughters Elizabeth Ward and Achsah Conner all my Wearing Linen, and all my Household Linen of what Nature or kind soever to be Equally Divided between them and their Heirs. Item I give and Bequeath unto my Loving Daughter Achsah Conner my One Half part or Moiety of Holloways Nick Containing in the Whole One hundred and forty Seven Acres the Land I now Live on to her and her Heirs for ever. Item I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Achsah Conner one Negro Woman named Lucy also her Child Named Grace to her and her Heirs. I also give my said Daughter Achsah Conner my Hand Millstones and Irons also a New Warming Pan also One Bed and furniture her Choice of any in the House and also six silver Tea spoons and a pair of silver Tea Tongues. Item I give and Bequeath unto my Grandson John West Ward one feather Bed withe sheets and furniture to it to be keep in the possession of my Son in Law Caleb Conner untill my said Grandson shall arrive at the Age of Twenty one Years and then to be Delivered him in as good Order as it shall be at the Time of my Decease. Item I give and Bequeath unto my Two Daughters Elizabeth Ward and Achsah Conner all my Houshold furniture of what Nature or kinde soever to be Equally Divided between them Except six Pewter Plates and One Pewter Dish which I give

to my Daughter Achsaw Conner. Item I give and Bequeath unto my son in Law Caleb Conner my Cart Plow, Two Plow Horses and Harness and all my Plantation Utensils to him and his Heirs. Item it is my Will and Desire that all my Cattle, Hogs, Sheep, Corn Tobacco and Wheat be sold as soon as may be after my Death in Order to Raise Money to Discharge all my just Debts. I do hereby Nominate make and appoint my son in Law Caleb Conner whole and sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament. In Testimony Whereof I have Here unto set my Hand and Seale this Sixth Day of December Anno Domini 1754.

Signed, sealed published and Declared to be her Last Will and Testament in the presence of us. — Elizabeth West (Seal)

Benj. Lane, Jno. Clocke, Thomas Deale.

On the Back of the foregoing Will was this Written to wit. Ann Arundell County ss. on the 14th Day of January 1755, Came Benjamin Lane, John Clocke and Thomas Deale the three Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangells of Almighty God that they severally saw the within named Testatrix Elizabeth West Sign and seale and likewise heard her publish pronounce and Declare the aforegoing Will to be her Last Will and Testament, that at the Time of her so Doing she was to the best of their apprehension of sound and Disposing Mind and Memory and that they severally subscribed their Respective Names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testatrix at her Request. Sworn before me Nic. Mathews Comy

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In the Name of God Amen I John Pettibone Gardner of Ann Arundell County being in perfect sence and Memory knowing that it is appointed for all Men once to Die I do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament in Manner and form following that is to say. I give and Bequeath unto my Two sons John Hall and Richard Gardner my Plantation and Land Adjoyning to them to be Equally Divided between them and their Heirs Lawfully Begotten of their Bodys for ever and failing of such Lawful Issue then to Descend to my other Two sons Thomas and Charles Gardner and their Lawfull Heirs begotten of their Body for ever.

I give and Bequeath my Large Gunn to my Son John Hall
and as for the rest of my Est. I will and Desire that it may
be equally Divided between my four Sons and my Daughter
Sarah Gardiner. I make and appoint my Wife Mikey Gardner
to be my Lawful Executor of this my Last Will and Testament
Revoking and Anuling all other Will or Wills by me Either made
or Declard and that this is taken only for my Last Will and
Testament in Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and
fixed my Seale this fourteenth Day of December 1754.

Signed, Sealed, published and Delivered by the said Gardner to be his Last Will and Testament in the presentes of us ~~who~~ subscribed our Names as Witnesses in his Presence

John Pett. — his ‡ mark Gardner

Charles Todd, Joshua his ‡ mark Hall, Edward his mark White

One the Back of the foregoing Will was thus Written Viz.

Ann Arundell County ss. On the 20th Day of January 1755 Came
Charles Todd, Joshua Hall and Edward White, the three subscribing
Witnesses to the Within Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangels
of Almighty God that they Saw the within named Testator John
Pettibone Gardner sign Seal and Deliver and heard him publish
pronounce and Declare the Same to be his Last Will and
Testament that at the Time of his so Doing he was to the
best of their Apprehension of Sound and Disposing Mind and Memory
and that they severally subscribed their Respective Names as Witnesses
thereto in the presence of the said Testator and at his Request.

3½ fees sworn before — H Macnemara D Comry Cl. Co. Cty

In the Name of God Amen I Isaac Johns of Maryland
Mariner being in good Health & sound Memory but going on
a Voyge to London & Calling to Mind the Danger of the Seas
and incertainty of this Life; doth give and Bequeath to my
Beloved Wife Ann Johns a Track of Land Laying in Baltimore
County on the Northside of Patapsico River being part of a
Track Called Christophers Camp: Containing Two hundred & fifty
Acres, Likewise my part of the Ship Peggy & Nancy whereof I am
at present Commander or any part of her that may appear to belong
to me if sold at London by the Hands of Messrs Lower & Philpot

Merchants there. Likewise in Case of a Total Loss of her on her now Intended Passage to London; any part of her that may be due to me from the hands of those Gentlemen who have under wrote upon her, which I require & Commit to the Care of the above Messrs Sowner & Philpot to settle and adjust the same with them; and Render an account thereof to my Beloved Wife Ann Johns to whom I likewise Bequeath all my personal Effects Whatsoever Either in Goods Chattels Debts due to me &c. Lastly I do appoint my Beloved Wife Ann Johns to be my Whole and Sole Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament this fifth day of December 1749

Signed Sealed, and Delivered, published pronounced & Declared in the presence of — Sarah Gassaway, Junr Gassaway, Jos: Cowman Junr — Isaac Johns (Seal)

On the Back of the foregoing Will was then Written viz: Ann Arundell County ss On the 19th Day of February in the Year of our Lord 1755 Came John Gassaway and Joseph Cowman Junr Two of the subscribing Witnesses to the Within Will the said John Gassaway being sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God and the said Joseph Cowman being one of the People called Quakers upon his affirmation severally Declare and say Viz: the said John Gassaway says that he saw the within named Testator Isaac Johns sign and seal and heard him publish pronounce and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament and the said Joseph Cowman says that the said Testator acknowledged the same to be his Hand Writing that at the Time of his so Doing he was to the best of their apprehension of Sound and Disposing Mind and Memory and that they severally Signed their Respective Names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his Request. and the said John Gassaway further says that he saw Sarah Gassaway one other of the Subscribers to the Within Will subscribe her Name as a Witness to the Within Will, and that he the said John Gassaway together with the said Sarah Gassaway Severally Subscribed their Respective Names as Witnesses as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his request — Sworn and affirmed to Before Mr Macnemara

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Gentlemen

Feb. 19th — 1755.

Whereas my Deceased Husband Isaac Johns has; by his Last Will and Testament appointed me his sole & Lawful Executrix to Execute his said Last Will, but as it is inconvenient for me, and being unacquainted with such Affairs, I hope Your Honours will be pleased to grant unto my Father Mr John Gafsaway Letters Testamentary To Administer on my said Deceased Husbands Will, to whom I do hereby release all my Right of Administration unto the said John Gafsaway provided you allow him to administer on his Estate he also being a Large Creditor of my said Deceased Husbands. Your Honours Complying with this my Request will greatly oblige her, who is with Regard.

Gent. Your most Obedient & Very humble Serv.t

Ann Johns

1 side To the Hon.ble Benjamin Tasker & Daniel Dulany Esq.rs

In the Name of God Amen I William Tower of the Parishe of the Parish of Saint Ann in the County of Middlesex Merchant being Weake in Body but of Sound and Disposing Minds and Understanding do make and publish this my Last Will and Testament in Manner following Viz: it is my Will and Mind that all the just Debts which I shall owe at the Time of my Decease together with my Funerale Expences shall in the first place be Duly paid and satisfied by my Executors herein after named and after payment and satisfaction thereof I give and Bequeath unto the three sons of Richard Richardson of Whitehaven Twenty pounds Each, also I give and Bequeath unto my Kinsman Francis Chumley One Hundred pounds to my Kinswoman Elizabeth Chippendale one hundred pounds To my Kinswoman Margaret the Wife of Thomas Bok one hundred pounds. To my Kinswoman Isabella Harris and to her Brother John Harris Twenty five pounds Each to my Friend Bryan Philpot one hundred pounds to Eleanor Rosebry one hundred Pounds To Thomas Rayner Brewer Fifty pounds To Twenty poor Widows of the Hamlett of Ratcliffe in the County of Middlesex One Guinea Each and to To Ten poor Widows belonging to Limehouse one Guinea Each at the Discretion of my said Executors and that my said Executors shall not Exceed the Sum of Forty pounds in the

Expence of my funerall To Robert Godwin of Portsmouth a Guinea for a Ring To the Pall Bearers who shall hold up the Pall at my funerall a Mourning Ring Each of Like Value And to my Executors a Mourning Ring Each of the Like Value To Thomas Philpot and Daniell Clovey Each a Ring of the Like value and Nine other Gold Rings of the Like Value to be given by my by my said Executors unto Nine of my Old friends and Acquaintance as they shall think fit and I do hereby nominate Constitute and appoint the said Bryan Philpot and Thomas Rayner Executors Hereof and do hereby Revoke and make Void all former and other Wills by me at any time heretofore made And Declare these presents only to be and contain my Last Will and Testament In Witness Whereof I the said Testator have hereunto set my hand and seal the Twenty second Day of February Anno Dom. One Thousand Seven hundred and fifty four. William Sorver. ll Signed Sealed published and Declared by the said Testator for and as his Last Will and Testament in the Presence of us who as Witnesses thereof have Subscribed our Names at the Request and in the presence of the said Testator and of Each other (the Word pounds being first inserted) John Sedgwick. Sam. Golson. Jo^n Peacome. ll

I William Sorver of the Parish of Saint Ann in the County of Middlesex Merchant do make and publish this my Codicil to my Last Will and Testament in Manner following Viz: I give and Bequeath unto Agnes and Elizabeth Gurnell and to their Brother Gurnell Twenty five pounds Each Also I give and Bequeath unto Mary Wheatstone Widow Thirty pounds To Francis Chumley (the son of Francis Chumley named in my Will) Fifty pounds. To all my first Cousins by my Mother Side One hundred pounds Each To Susannah Smedley fifty pounds and it is my Will and Mind that this Codicil shall be annexed to and taken for and a part of my Last Will and Testament In Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the Twenty third Day of February Anno Dni. one thousand seven hundred and fifty four. William Sorver ll. Signed Sealed published and Declared by the said William Sorver

for and as his Codicil to be annexed to and taken for and as part of his Last Will and Testament in the presence of us. Sam: Golson. Jo.n Seacome. ⁄⁄. ——

28.th February 1754

Appeared personally John Seacome of the Parish of St Anns in the County of Middlesex Gent. and made Oath that having now seen and carefully viewed and perused ... the Paper Writing hereunto annexed being or purporting to be the Last Will and Testament of William Tower Late of the Parish of Saint Anne aforesaid bearing ... Date the Twenty second Day of this Instant February ... and to which he is a subscribing Witness and having also Viewed the Obliteration made in the fourteenth Line and the Word (Twenty five) wrote thereon Depose and Say ... that the said Obliteration was so Made by him his ... Deponent and the said Word made (Twenty five) by him wrote thereon by the Order of the said William Tower Deceased at the Times of his Making the said Will and Before the Execution thereof. Jo.n Seacome ⁄⁄. ... same Day the said John Seacome was Duly Sworn to the Truth of the above Affidavit. before me And: Collier Ducarel Surrogate. present. P. Crespigny Ex: p: ⁄⁄v ...

Towhich foregoing Will was Annexed the following Viz:— Thomas by Divine Providence Archbishop of Canterbury ... Primate of all England and Metropolitan do by these Presents make known to all Men that on the first Day of March in the Year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and fifty ... four at London before the Worshipful Arthur Collier Doctor of ... Laws Surrogate of the Right Honourable Sir George Lee Knight ... Doctor of Laws Master or Commissary of our Prerogative Court of Canterbury Lawfully Constituted the Last Will and Testament with a Codicil of William Tower Late of the Parish of St Ann in the County of Middlesex Deceased hereunto annexed was proved approved ... and Registred the said Deceased having whilst Living and at the time of his Death Goods Chattels or Credits in Divers Dioceses or Juris= dictions by Reason whereof the proving and Registring the said Will ... and the granting Administration of all and singular the said Goods

Chattels and Credits and also the Auditing allowing and finally Discharging the accompt thereof are well known to appertain only and wholly to us and not to any Inferiour Judge and that Administration of all and singular the Goods Chattels and Credits of the said Deceased and any way Concerning his Will was granted to Bryan otherwise Brian Philpot one of the Executors named in the said Will being first sworn well and faithfully to Administer the same and to make a true and perfect Inventory of all and singular the said Goods Chattels and Credits and to Exhibit the same into the Registry of our said Court on or before the Last Day of September next Ensuing and also to Render a Just and true Accompt thereof (Power reserved of making the Like Grant to Thomas Rayner the other Executor named in the said Will when he shall apply for the same) given at the time and place above Written and in the seventh Year of our Translation

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Wm Legard
Ed. Mc Eloy
Jno. Stewart
(Duplicate)
Deputy Registers

In the Name of God Amen January 22th 1755 I Richard Tucker of Anne Arundel County in the Province of Maryland being Weak & Low in Body but of perfect and sound Memory praise be given to Almighty for the same and knowing the Mortality of my Body that it is appointed for all Men ~~[illegible]~~ to Die (do make this my Last Will and Testament in Manner and form following - first I Commit my Body to the Ground from whence it was taken to be Buryed in a Christian Decent Manner by my Executor hereafter Nominated & touching my Temporal Estate which it hath pleased God to Bless me with I give and Dispose of in Manner & form following first my Just Debts and funeral Charges being Satisfied I Dispose of the Rest in Manner & form as folows. — Item I give and Bequeath unto John Clavey my Sonn in Law 5 pounds pounds as a Legacy over and above his fourth part with the rest Likewise I give & Bequeath unto John Clavey an Equal and fourth part of my Personal Estate Equally Divided amongst my four Children

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Son John Tucker my Wearing Apparell with an Equal and fourth part with the Rest of my Childr. Item I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Martha an Equal & fourth part of my personal Estate Equally Divided. Item I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Margarett an Equal and fourth part of my personal Estate Equaly Divided. Item I give and Bequeath unto Robert Ward my Dwelling Plantation with all the Improvements thereon to him and his Heirs for Ever for a Consideration and the Money is to be paid to John Tucker my Sonn I appoint John Clavey my hole & sole Executor of this my Last Will & Testament wherein I Revoke all Wills by me made &c.

Richd his R Tucker mark

Signed Sealed and Delivered in the presents of
Neho: Birckhead — Richard Randall — John his I Batson mark

On the Back of the foregoing Will was this Written viz: Anne Arundell County ss. on the 12th Day of March 1755 Came Nehemiah Birckhead, Richard Randall and John Batson the three subscribing Witnesses to the Within Will viz. the said Nehemiah Birckhead being one of the People called Quakers. Solemnly and sincerely Testifies affirms and Declares and the said Richard Randall and John Batson being Duly and Solemnly sworn on the Holy Evangells of Almighty God say that they severally saw the within named Testator sign and seal Cause heard him publish pronounce and Declare the Within Will to be his Last Will and Testament, that at the Time of his so Doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of Sound and Disposing Mind and Memory and that they severally Subscribed their Respective Names as Witnesses to the said Will in the Presence of the said Testator and at his Request.

Signed affirmed and sworn to before. H Macnemara D Comy A:A Coty

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Maryland ss. In the Name of God Amen I Richard Warfield of Anne Arundell County Gentleman do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament in Manner following. Imprimis I give and Bequeath my Soul to God that made it in hopes of Eternal Life only through the Merits and Intercession of my Blessed Saviour...

and Redeemer Jesus Christ; and my Body I Commit to the Earth to be Decently Buried by my Executor hereafter named. Item I give and Bequeath to my Loving Daughter Ruth Hall Wife to Joseph Hall and to her Heirs for Ever all that Tract or parcell of Land whereon the said Joseph Hall now Lives (being part of a Tract of Land Called Warfields Contrivance) which said Tract or parcell of Land Contains Two hundred Acres according to its Meets and Bounds as per Certificate thereof made. Item whereas my Deceased Brother Ben=jamin Warfield and my Self did together take up a Tract of Land Called Wincopin Neck which was granted to us Jointly, and the said Benjamin Warfield by his Last Will and Testament left his Moity thereof to his Daughter Elizabeth now the Widow of Henry Ridgely Deceased and to prevent any Disputes that may arise for want of a Division of the said Tract between my Said Brother and myself I do hereby Confirm whatever Right I may Have to the said Moity to my Said Brothers Daughter Elizabeth and to her Heirs for Ever. Item I give and Bequeathe to my Loving Son Alexander Warfield his Heirs and Assigns for Ever (over and above the part hereafter Mentioned) my Negro Man Toby Item I give and Bequeath to my Grandson John Davidge and to my Grand Daughter Ann Griffith Each of them the sum of thirty Shillings Currency to Buy Each of them a Ring. Item I give and Bequeath to Richard Yeates son of my Cousin Joshua Yeates a Cow and Calf. Item I give and Bequeath to my Grandson Basil Warfield my Negro Boy Charles, my Watch and the Bed Whereon I Lie with all furniture belonging to it. Item I give and Bequeath all the Rest and Residue of my Personal Estate to be Divided in Manner following Viz: After my Just Debts and Legacies are paid, one third part to my Son Alexander Warfield, one third part to my Daughter Ruth Hall and one third of the Remaining third part to my Daughter Lydia Ridgely and the other Two thirds of the said Remaining third part to be Equally Divided between Lucy Ridgely, Samuel Stringer Anne Coale and Richard Stringer Children of my said Daughter Lydia Ridgeley and my Will is that my Grand Children Lucy Ridgely, Samuel Stringer, Anne Coale and Richard Stringer shall Each of them receive their Dividend abovementioned of my Executor above is

they shall be of age, or if any Said Executor shall see particular Occasion he may Advance it sooner and I do hereby Will and Declare that the receipt of Either of them (for Case he should do so) shall be good for the part paid notwithstanding their being under Age. Lastly I do hereby Constitute ordain and appoint my Son Alexander Warfield sole Executor of this my Last Will & Testament giving and Bequeathing to him besides the parts already Mentioned Ten Per Cent on my whole Estate for his trouble; and do hereby revoke and make Void all former and other Wills by me made ratifying and Confirming this only to be my Last Will and Testament. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seal this 28th Day of Octr 1753.

Signed Sealed Published and Declared by the Said Richard Warfield to be his Last Will and Testament in presence of us.

Richd Warfield Senr (Seal)
Willm Woodward.
John Warfield Junr, Edward Baldwin

On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus written viz:

On the 12th Day of March 1755 Came William Woodward and Edward Baldwin two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will and Made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they saw Richard Warfield Senior the Within named Testator sign and seal and heard him publish pronounce and Declare the Within Will to be his Last Will and Testament that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of Sound and Disposing Mind and Memory and that they together with John Warfield Junr the other Subscribing Witness to the Within Will severally Subscribed their Respective Names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his Request

Sworn before me
N. Mackemara Commy
A. A. County

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† Maryland ss. I Sarah Hills of Ann Arundell County in the Province aforesaid Widow being Indisposed of Body but of perfect Disposing Mind & Memory thanks be to Almighty God for that and all other his many Mercies on me Bestowed: revokeing and

utterly making Void all and every other Will or Wills Testament or Testaments by me heretofore made: do make ordain and appoint this present Writing to be for ever Hereafter taken held and Deemed as my Last Will and Testament in Manner & form following viz: Imprimis I give & Bequeath unto my Grandaughter Elizabeth now Wife of Thomas Sprigg my Inlaid Chest of Drawers and Black Swinging Looking Glass: also one Negro Woman named Cris to her & her Heirs. Item I give and Bequeath unto my Two Kinswomans Sarah Hopkins and Elizabeth Bankster Daughters of my Cousen Cassandra Giles Deceased Two Cows & Calves: Two Steers of five Years old: four two Year Old Heifers: Two Sows & two Barrows of two yrs old Each: to be Equally Divided between them. —

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Sister Margaret Richardson: all my Wearing apparel of every Sort. Item I give and Bequeath unto my five Cousen Sarah Hill: Joseph Richardson: Daniel Richardson: Richard Richardson and Nathan Richardson: Children of my aforesaid Sister Margaret Richardson: all my Plate to be Equally Divided to them, their Heirs or Assigns my Mind is that Sarah Hill have my Silver Skillet and Porringer that Cover it in her part. — Item I give and Bequeath unto my Cousin Sophia Galloway Daughter of my aforesaid Sister Margaret my Negro Man Ben and his Wife Serner & their son Jack: I also give her thirty pound Sterling and one pair of Hand Irons in my Room to her & her Heirs and Assigns. Item I give and Bequeath unto my aforesaid Cousen Daniel Richardson his Heirs or Assigns my Negro Man Sam I also give him five pound Currency to be applied to the use of the People Called Quakers belonging to West River Meeting and to no other use Intent or purpose whatever. Item I give and Bequeath unto Richard Sprigg son of Thomas Sprigg my Spice Box Item I give and Bequeath unto Henry Hill son of Doctor Richard Hill his Heirs or Assigns my Negro Man Monday and ten pound Sterling: Two Cows and Calves & Two Breeding Sows: to be Left in the Care of my Son in Law Joseph Hill till the said Henry Demand the Same Item I give and Bequeath unto

Son in Law Joseph Hill his Heirs or Assigns my Great Elbow Chair. Item I give and Bequeath unto Mary Wilkinson, one Negro Girl named Mercy: also the Horse Called Dimond. Item I give and Bequeath all the Remaining part of my Estate of what kind or Nature soever it be or Wheresoever it may be found (that I have not before given) be Equally Divided in the Species that it may Consist off in six parts: one sixthe part thereof I give to my Son in Law Joseph Hill & his Wife Sarah Hill they to have my Clock in their part: one Sixthe part I give to Joseph Richardson he to have one of my New Counterpins in his part: one Sixth part I give to Daniel Richardson he to have my other new Counterpin and my best Chest of Drawers in his part: one Sixthe part I give to Richard Richardson: one sixthe part I give to Nathan Richardson and last of their Heirs or Assigns: and the other Sixth part I give to Thomas & Joseph Richardson sons to my Cousen Thomas Richardson Late of Kent County Decead to be Divided between them when they attain to the Age of Twenty one Years: or have Lawfull Issue of their Body but in Case they Die before they attain the Age aforesaid and then without Such Issue: I give and Bequeath that part give them to be Equally Divided between Sarah Hill: Joseph Richardson: Daniel Richardson: Richard Richardson: and Nathan Richardson they all five being the Children of my aforesaid Sister Margaret Richardson. Lastly I Constitute and appoint my Two Cousen Joseph Richardson & Daniel Richardson afores. Whole & Sole Execut.rs of this my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seale this Nineteenth Day of the second Month called February Anno Domini One thousand seven hundred and fifty five. Signed Sealed & Published in the presence of us - Mary Gillis, John Gillis, John Davidg

Sarah Hill (Seal)

On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus Written viz. Anne Arundell County ss - On the 18th Day of March 1755 Came Mary Gillis and John Gillis, being of the People Called

Quakers and solemnly and sincerely affirmed testified and Declare one of the three of the Witnesses to the Within Will being Sworn on the holy Evangels of Almighty God, Says that they saw the within named Testatrix Sarah Hill sign and seal and heard her publish pronounce and Declare the same to be her Last Will and Testament, that at the Time of her so Doing she was to the best of their Apprehension of sound and Disposing Mind and Memory, and that they severally Subscribed their Respective Names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testatrix and at her Request affirmed and sworn to before me

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A. A. County

In the Name of God Amen the Eighteenth Day of March in the Year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and fifty five I John Brown of Anne Arundell County being sick in Body but in good and perfect Memory thanks be to Almighty God and Calling to Remembrance the uncertain Estate of this Transitory Life that all Flesh must yield unto Death when it shall please God to Call do make Constitute and ordain this my Last Will and Testament in Manner and form following, Revoking and Admulling by these presents all and every Testament and Testaments Will and Wills heretofore by me made and Declared Either by Word or Writing, and this is to be taken for my Last Will and Testament and none other first I bequeath my Soul to Almighty God that gave it me and my Body to the Earth from whence it was taken to be Buried in such Decent Manner as it shall please my Executors Hereafter named to think fit and appoint, and now for the settling my Temporal Estate and such Goods as it hath pleased God to Bestow on me I do order give and Dispose, the same in Manner and form following that is to say first I Will that all those Debts that I Justly owe in Right or Conscience to any Manner of Person or Persons Whatsoever shall be well and truly Contented and paid within Convenient Time after my Decease by my Executors hereafter named. Item I Constitute, ordain and appoint my Well Beloved Wife Rebeckah Brown and my Well Beloved Son John Brown to be my whole and sole Executors of this my Last Will & Testament

Item I give and Bequeath unto my well beloved Wife Rebeckah Brown ~~and my well beloved Wife Rebecca Brown to be my Dwelling Plantation~~ my Dwelling Plantation wherein I now doth Dwell called Clink alias Clink containing Two hundred Acres of Land, To her During her Natural Life and after her Decease to fall to my Son John Brown. Item I give and Bequeath to my well Beloved Wife Rebeckah Brown Negro Beck my House Maid, Negroe Nell, Bow, Peter Limbo my Riding Horse Company and her saddle and furniture, the Feather Bed and furniture which I now Lie on, four Chairs of the best sort which I now have four of the best and largest Leather Chairs an Oak Table and Pine Table Ten Cows and Yearlings, Two Steers three Years old, Three four, four Ews and Lambs which is in full of her part of my Estate; so that after my Decease she shall not have any Right Title Claim or Demand to any part or parcell thereof any further than abovementioned Item. I give and Bequeath unto my well Beloved Son John Brown part of a Tract of Land Called Providence beginning at a Water Oak the Beginning Tree of the aforesaid Land and Running thence South Eighty Eight Degrees West three hundred and seven Perches with Norwoods Fancy to a Bounded Hiccory being a Boundary of the said Norwoods Fancy thence with the Land of Mr Richard Warfield Lately Deceased but now in the possession of his Son Mr Alexander Warfield to a Bounded Tree of Solomons Hills thence with a Straight Line to a Bounded white Oak standing near my Pasture Fence it being a Bounded Tree of Gibsons thence with a small Branch, Leading from a Branch, called the Great Branch to another Branch that Intercepts the Dividing Line between Edward Hall and me thence with the Dividing Line to the Round Bay, thence to the Beginning Tree. The Plant included wch is in the Round Bay, and that my Will is further he shall now be at age to possess and inherit all the Land and every thing else which I have Bequeathed to him.

I give and Bequeath unto my well Beloved Son John Brown all his Houshold Goods and Stocks which I have already possessed him as also four Cows, Two Steers, four Years Old Each, three Ews and Lambs Negroes Dungy, Harry, Charles, Cesar, Esther, Jeffery, Jenny

silver, one Nine Hogshead Flat, one Twelve Hogshead Flat, and the use of the Yard as often as he has occasion, a Mans saddle with green seat and Housing Two Guns a pair of Pistols and Holsters and a sword which is in full of his part of my Estate so that after my Decease he shall have no Right, Title Claim, or Demand to any part or parcell thereof, any further than above Mentioned. — Item I give and Bequeath unto my well Beloved Daughter Katherine Brown part of a Tract of Land Called Gaines's Hills formerly But now Called Providence to Begin where my Son John Browns Line Intercepts the the given Line between Edward Hall and me, thence with the Dividing Line to a Bounded Water Oak standing on the Head of Plum Creek from thence with the Line of Providence to the Branch Called the great Branch, thence up the said Branch with a straight Line to my Barns on the Plantation where David Moonshott formerly Lived thence up the said Branch to a small Run that Leadeth to the Line where we first Begun her part to her During her Natural Life and to the Lawful Heirs of her Body Begotten and for want of Such Heirs to be sold by my Executors above named to whom I have given full power and Authority to Convey and make over to the purchaser thereof and and the purchase Money to be Equally Divided amongst the Rest of my Children. — Item I give and Bequeath unto my well Beloved Daughter Katherine Brown all the Houshold Goods and Stock which I have already possessed her with as also Two Cow and Calves and a Mare named Speedy and her saddle and furniture a Troopers saddle Negroes Abigail, Jeremy, Phill, To her and the Lawful Heirs of her Body begotten and for want of Such Heirs to be sold by my Executors to the highest Bidder and the purchase money to be Equally Divided amongst the Rest of my Children, so that after my Decease she shall not have any Right, Title Claim or Demand against my Estate, it being her full part thereof. — Item I give and Bequeath unto my Well Beloved Daughter Margaret Brown all that part or parcell of Land Called Browns purchase Lying on the South Side of a Branch Called Bridgeys Branch

If that part Should not Contain Two hundred Acres of Land it must be made up on the other side of Said Branch adjoining thereto. To her and the Lawful Heirs of her Body Begotten... and for want of Such Heirs to fall ~~to~~ ~~[illegible]~~ to my Two... Daughters Viz: Ruth Brown and Anne Brown to them and their Heirs for Ever. — Item I give and Bequeath to my Well Beloved Daughter Margaret Brown Negroes... Mingo, Nan, Austin, Joseph a feather Bed and furniture a Horse and Woman's saddle and Furniture four Cows and Calves Two Breeding Sows and six other Hogs three Ews and Lambs and four Leather Chairs which is in full of her part of my Estate. — Item I give and Bequeath unto my Well Beloved Daughter Ruth Brown part of a Tract of Land Called Browns Purchase Lying on the East side of a Branch Called Bridgeleys Branch beginning at a Bounded White Oak standing on the East side of the said Branch thence with the Courses of the said Land till a straight Line to the aforesaid Branch will Contain Two Hundred... Acres To her and the Lawful Heirs of her Body Begotten... and for want of such Heirs to fall to my Two Daughters viz: Margaret Brown and Anne Brown to them and their Heirs for... Item I give and Bequeath unto my well Beloved Daughter Ruth Brown Negro Trader, Moll Hagar a feather Bed and Furniture a Horse and a Woman's saddle and Furniture... four Cows and Calves Two Breeding Sows and six other Hogs three Ews and Lambs four Leather Chairs which is in full of her part of my Estate. — Item I give and Bequeath unto my Well Beloved Daughter Anne Brown part of a Tract of Land Called ~~Browns~~ Brown's Purchase to Begin at the Place where her Sister Ruths Part Leaves the Lines of the said Land ~~[illegible]~~ and Turns Bidgeleys Branch thence with the Lines of the said Land as far as will include three hundred... Acres with a straight Line to ~~[illegible]~~ Bidgeleys Branch To her and the Lawful Heirs of her Body Begotten and for want of... Such Heirs to fall to my other two Daughters viz: Margaret Brown & Ruth Brown to them and their Heirs for Ever. — Item I give and Bequeath unto my well Beloved Daughter

Ann Brown Negroes Ned, Sue, Hannah & Nicks & feather Bed and Furniture four Cows and Calves & Horse and a Woman's Saddle and Furniture two Breeding Sows & Six other Hogs three Ews and Lambs and four Leather Chairs which is in full of her part of my Estate. —

Note the Interlining in the thirty eigth Line and the forty eighth was done Before signing

John Brown (Seal)

signed Sealed Published and Declared in presence of

Abso= Warfield, John Hall, Wilson his mark Burton, Benj.a his mark Shalcha

On the Back of the foregoing Will was then Written viz.

Anne Arundell County ss. On the 11th Day of April 1755 Came John Hall Wilson Burton and Benjamin Shalcha three of the subscribing Witnesses to the Within Will who being duly and solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God Depose and say that they saw the Within named Testator John Brown sign and seal and hear him publish pronounce and Declare the Within Will to be his last Will and Testament that at the Time of his so Doing he was to the best of their apprehension of sound and Disposing Mind and Memory and that they together with Abso= Warfield one other of the subscribing Witnesses to the Within Will severally subscribed their respective Names as Witnesses to the s.d Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his Request Swore Before

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Mc Macnamara Deputy. C. A. County

In the Name of God Amen the fift Day of November one thousand seven hundred & fifty four. I Robert Downing of Frederick County in the ~~[illegible]~~ Province of Maryland being Sick in Body but of good and sound Memory thanks be to Almighty, and Calling to Remembrance the uncertain Estate of this Life & that all flesh must yield to Death, when it shall please God to Call do make Constitute ordain and Declare this my Last Will and Testament in Manner and Form following revoking and annulling by these presents all and every ~~other~~ Testament & Testaments Wills & Wills heretofore by me made & Declared Either by Word or Writting & this is only to be taken for my Last Will and Testament & none

other and now for the settling of my Temporal Estate & such Goods Chattles & Debts as it hath pleased God to Bestow upon me I do order give and Dispose the same in Manner & Form following: that is to say first I will that all those Debts be paid which are justly due within convenient time after my Decease by my Exrs hereafter named.

Item I give & Bequeth to my Well Belovd son Robert Downing my now Dwelling Plantation after the Decease of his Mother togather with all that Tract or parcel of Land called the second Resurvey on Downings Lott Including all the Land Contained in the Origanal & first Resurvey (Except thirty four Acres) of Land Contained in the following Corses viz: Begining at the Begining Tree of the Original Tract and Running North five Degrees West Seventy Perches then South Eighty Degrees East one hundred & then both tell it Intersect the Last Line of the afors. Resurvey & with it to the begining & also one hundred & thirteen Acres of Land begining at the most Easternmost Corner of the first Resurvey on Downings Lott & Running South forty five Degrees West sixty six Perches across the second Resurvey & all the Land Contained in the afors. Tract on the southernmost side of the Before Mentioned Corse to be as before Excepted & become the Right & Property of those to whom it is hereafter Devised) to him and his heirs Lawfully Begotten of his Body and their Heirs for Ever; and I further Leave and Bequeath to my Before Mentioned Son Robert One Negro Man named Will & one Negro Woman named Rachel & her Increse hereafter To him & his Heirs for Ever

Item I give & Bequeth to my Well belovd son Sam. Downing Thirty four Acres of Land part of the Origanal & first and Second Resurvey on Downings Lott Beg: at the Begining tree of the Origanal & running north five Degrees West Seventy Perches then South Eighty Degrees East one hundred Perches then South tell it Intersect the Lines of the second Resurvey & with said Lines to the Begining & one other Tract of Land called Downings Lott containing fifty Acres & also one other Tract being part of the Resurvey on Dorsons Strife next joining the Before Mentioned Downings Lott Containing by Estimation three hundred.

and Sixteen Acres to be Conveyed by Peter Kentch or his Heirs to him and his Heirs Lawfully Begotten of his Body & their Heirs for Ever and I further Leave & Bequeath to my Well beloved Son Saml one Negro Boy named Dick & one Negro Girl named Hatt and her Increase to him and his Heirs for Ever — Item I give and Bequeath to my well Beloved Daughter Elizabeth Downing the One hundred pounds Current Money due to me on the Sale of the Land: part in Maryland & part in Pennsylvania in the forks of Antietum Sold to David Dunkin upon the Refusal or neglect of Payment of the Before Mentioned David Dunkin then I give and Bequeath my part of the several tracts of Land now sold this said Dunkin To her & her Heirs for Ever & also Ten pounds Current Money to be paid out of my Estate to the said Elizabeth when she arrives to the Age of Sixteen Years or upon the Day of Marriage which Ever first happens. — Item I give & Bequeath to my Well Beloved Daughter Mary Downing one Half of that Tract of Land — Called the Resurvey on Chester to be Devided by a Line — drawn North from the Beginning Tree acrost the Tract & + all the Land on the East side of the Before Mentioned Line Containing by Estemation one hundred & Ninty four Acres To her & her Heirs for Ever. + Item I give and Bequeath to my well Beloved Daughter Susanah Downing the other Half of that Tract of Land Called the Resurvey on Chester to be Devided by a Line Drawn North from the Begining Tree acrost the Tract & all the Land on the West Side of the Beforementioned Line Containing by Estemation one hundred & Ninty four Acres To her & her Heirs for Ever. — Item I give and Bequeath to my well Beloved Daughter Esther Downing all that Tract or Peace of Land part of the second Resurvey on Downings Lott beginning at the Most Easternmost Corner of the first Resurvey on Downings Lott & & Runing thence south forty five Degrees West six Six poches — acrost the second Resurvey & all the Land on the most southernmost Side of the Before Mentioned Line Containing by Estemation one hundred and thirteen Acres of Land (except Ten Acres) to be Laid out for & Convenient to the Meeting House provided the People that resort to the said Meeting House pay for it) to her & her Heirs for Ever and also Twenty pounds Current Money to be Levied out of my Estate

and paid to her when she shall arrive to the Age of Sixteen
Years or the Day of Marriage which Ever first happen.
Item I give and Bequeath to my well Beloved Wife Susanah
Downing one third part of my Personal Estate before the
Legacies are paid & the rest of my Personal Estate after my
just Debts & Legacies are paid to be Equally Divided
Between all my Sons & Daughters & it is my further Will
and Pleasure that in Case my son Robert should Die without
Heirs Lawfully Begotten of his Body that all the Estate both
Real & Personal as before Bequeathed to the said Robert shall
Become the Right & Property of my Son Samuel & all the
Land Before Bequeathed to my son Samuel shall be Equaly
Divided ~~among the Survivors~~ Between my four Daughters
and in Case my Son Sam.l should Die without Lawful Issue
that then the Land Before Bequeathed to my Son Sam.l shall still
be Equaly Divided Between my four Daughters but in Either of
the Cases the Negros & money to remain the Right of the other
Brother & in Case any of my Daughters should Die without
Issue that then all their part both Real & Personal shall
be Equaly Divided Between the Rest of my Sons & Daughters
and it is my further Will & Pleasure that my well Beloved Wife
Susanah nor any other Person by nor under her shall Cutt or Destroy
any of the Wood or Timber off of any of the Lands Save only the
Tract that is Lenicied to the Dwelling Plantation & it is my
further Will & pleasure that my Son Robert after he Comes to
Age may have free Liberty to settle any part of the Land
Lenicied to him So that it Doth not hurt nor Damnifie the
now Cleared Lands and Lastly I leave my well Beloved Wife
Susanah Downing & my Brother James Downing joint
Ex.rs of my Estate Ratifying & Confirming whatever my Ex.rs
shall Lawfully Doe.

Robert Downey (Seal)

Signed Sealed published & Declared
this to be my Last Will & Testament
in the presents of
Joseph Chapline, Peter Cinch
Kenneth her O Lee mark, James Downey

On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus written viz:

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19th March 1755 Joseph Chapline Peter Creech and James Downing three of the subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being Duly and solemnly Sworn on the holy Evangels of Almighty God Depose and Say that they saw the Testator Robert Downey sign the foregoing Will and heard him publish and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the Time of his so Doing he was to the best of their apprehension of sound & Disposing Mind and Memory and that they subscribed their Respective Names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his Request and that they see Jennetta Ogee the other Witness subscribe her name to the s^d Will in the Presence of and at the Request of the said Testator — Sworn to Before Bevedy Chiselin Dep. Comy

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Frederick County

In the Name of God Amen I Edward Beatty of Frederick County in the Province of Maryland Merchant being very sick and Weak in Body but of perfect Mind and Memory thanks be to God therefore calling unto Mind the mortality of my Body and knowing that it is appointed for all Men once to Die do make and Ordain this my Last ~~and~~ ~~that~~ Will and Testament. that is to say Principally and first of all I give and recommend my Soul into the hands of Almighty God that gave it and my Body I recommend to the Earth to be buried in a decent Christian Burial at the Discretion of my Executrix nothing Doubting but at the General Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God. and as touching such Worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to Bless me in this Life I give Bequeath and Dispose of the same in the following Manner and form. —

Imprimis my Will & Desire is that all my just Debt and Funeral Charges be paid. — Item I give and Bequeath to Ezekiel Beatty my Loving Son all that Tract or parcell of Land Lying in the County aforesaid called part of Dulaneys Lott Containing one hundred & Sixty Acres of Land more or Less To have and to hold to him the said Ezekiel Beatty his Heirs and Assigns for Ever. — Item I give and Bequeath unto my said son Ezekiel Beatty his Heirs and Assigns for Ever all that ~~Hmm~~ Lot or Portion of Ground situate Lying and Being in Frederick Town in the County aforesaid &c.

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Loving Son Ezra Beatty his Heirs & Assigns for Ever all those Tracts or parcells of Land Situate Lying and being in the County aforesaid Called and known by the names of The Resurvey on Poplar Bottom and Patricks Colt. Item I give and Bequeath unto my Loving Son Elijah Beatty his Heirs and Assigns for Ever all my Right Title Estate and Interest which I have of in and to the third part of three Tracts or Parcells of Land Lying and being in the County aforesaid Called Metere, part of Palmers Choice and Palmerzano now in the Possession of Abraham Cruim of the County aforesaid Farmer for the Making over and Conveying of which said third part of the three Tract of Land aforesaid the said Abraham Cruim has passed his Bond to me, but my Will and Desire is that if the said Abraham Cruim and his Brother Gilbert Cruim do purchase and Convey unto my said Son Elijah a Quantity of Land Equal in Value to the said third part of the Tract of Land called Metere, part of Palmers Choice and Palmerzano within two Years from the Date hereof that then I Relinquish all my Right & Title to the said third part of the three Tract of Land Last Mentioned and Discharge the said Abraham Cruim his Heirs Executors & Adm.rs from the Bond aforesaid and I give and Bequeath unto my said Son Elijah his Heirs & Assigns for ever the Land which they the said Abraham Cruim & Gilbert Cruim shall purchase in the Room of the third Part of the three Tracts of Land Last Mentioned.

Item I give and Bequeath unto the Child which my Wife is now Big with its Heirs and Assigns for Ever all that part of a Tract of Land called part of Rockey Creek now in my Possession being which I bought of George Beatty as by the Deed Recorded amongst the Land Records of Frederick County may appear and I also give and Bequeath unto the said Child its Heirs and Assigns for Ever all those Two Tracts or Parcels of Land Called part of Rockey Creek which I bought of John Kimbol of Frederick County and Agnes his Wife and from John Beatty for the Making over and Conveying of which said Parcels of Land the said John Kimbol & Agnes his Wife and John Beatty have passed their Bonds to me as by the said Bonds Reference thereto being had may More at Large appear.

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Said Sons Ezekiel, Ezra and Elijah & the Child which my Wife is now Big with all my Personal Estate to be Equally Divided between them — Item I give and Bequeath unto my Said Sons — Ezekiel Ezra and Elijah and the Child which my Wife is now big with their Heirs and Assigns for Ever to be — Equally Divided between them all the Remainder of my Real Estate and all the Right Title Interest Claim and Demand which I have to any ~~[illegible]~~ Lands within the Province of Maryland — Item my Will and Desire is that if any of my said Children shall Die without Issue that then his or her Part of my Estate shall be Equally Divided amongst the Survivors & their Heirs. —

Lastly I do hereby Constitute and appoint my Loving Wife Susannah Beatty and Thomas Beatty Junior my whole and sole Executors of this my Last Will and Testament hereby revoking all and every other former Testaments and Wills by me in any Wise before made In Witness I have hereunto Set my hand and affixed my Seal this third Day of February in the Year of our Lord seventeen hundred & fifty five

signed sealed published pronounced and Declared by the said Edward Beatty as his Last Will and Testament in the presence of us the Subscribers (the Words Thomas Beatty Junr being first Interlined

Edward Beatty (Seal)

John Cary, Samd. Mearns, Elizb. her mark Berry

On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus Written viz: February the 18th 1755 Came before me the Subscriber Deputy Commissary of Frederick County — John Cary and Samuel Mearns Two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will & being duly & Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God Depose & Say that they Saw the Testator Edward Beatty Sign the foregoing Will and heard him publish and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the Time of his so Doing he was to the best of their

Apprehension of Sound & Disposing Mind & Memory and that they Subscribed their Respective Names as Witnesses to the Said Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his Request and that they See Elizabeth Perry the other Witness subscribe her Name as a Witness to the Said Will in the presence of the Testator & at his Request

10 Feb. Sworn to Before. Reverdy Ghiselin D.C.T. Pro.

In the Name of God Amen I John Willcoxon of Frederick County and Province of Maryland Planter being of sound Mind and Memory thanks be given to God therefore and Willing to settle my Worldly Affairs do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament that is to say Principally and first of all I give and Recommend my Soul unto God my Saviour who gave it me and my Body to the Earth to be Buried in a Decent Manner at the Direction of my Executor Hereafter named. my Will is that all the Lands that I Purchas & Sold and the Monies applied in paying my Just Debts & as much of my Movable Estate as will pay the Remainder of my Debts — Imprimis I give and Bequeath to my Daughter Mary Bowington Ten pounds Currency. —

Item I give and Bequeath to my Grandson Peter Noland ten pounds Currency — Item I give and Bequeath to my Grandson Samson Noland Ten pounds Currency. —

Item I give and Bequeath to my Grandaughter Ann Noland Ten pounds Currency. and I do hereby ordain Constitute and appoint my Son John Willcoxon alias Winsor to be my Sole and alone Heir and Executor to have a full Right and Property in all the Rest of my Worldly Estate and to See that this my Will be fulfilled revoking all other Wills Ratifying and Confirming this and this only to be my Last Will and Testament. in Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal this fourth Day of December one thousand seven hundred and fifty four.

Signed and Sealed in the presence of — Ezek. Gordin, James his ✝ mark Burrus - John his ✝ mark Walker

John his ✝ mark Willcoxon (Seal)

On the Backe of the foregoing Will was thus written viz: December the 16th 1754 Came before me the Subscriber Deputy Commissary of Fredericke County Ezekiel Golden, James Burrus and John Walker the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and being duly and solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God Depose and Say that they Saw the Testator John Willcoxon, Sign the foregoing Will, and heard him publish and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the Time of his so Doing, he was to the best of their apprehension of sound & Disposing Mind and Memory and that they Subscribed their Respective Names as Witnesses to the Said Will in the presence of the Said Testator and at his Request Sworn to before Edward Gheselin Deputy — 4 Sheets — Commissary of Frederick County

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In the Name of God Amen I David Pierpoint Son of Larkin Pierpoint of Frederick County in the Province of Maryland being in perfect mind and good Memory and Calling to mind the Certainty of Death do in Consideration thereof and filier Love and affection I bear to my well Beloved Father Larkin Pierpoint make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament in Manner and form following — Imprimis I give and Bequeath to my Beloved Father Larkin Pierpoint all that peis or parcel of Land Called a Small Bit to David Lying and being in Frederick County Containing forty Acres to him and his Heirs and Assigns for Ever also all the rest of what Small Estate I have I give to my Said Father for to pay what Just Debts shall be Brought against me in Witness whereof I the Said David Pierpoint have to this my Last Will and Testament set my Hand and Seal this Twenty second Day of February in the Year of our Lord God one thousand seven hundred and fifty five.

Signed Sealed and Delivered in the presents of us
Robert Swigg,
John his ~~H~~ Bean mark
Hannah her H Swigg mark

David Pierpoint (Seal)

On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus Written viz.
10th April 1755 Robert Twigg John Bean and Hannah Twigg the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will being Duly and solemnly sworn on the holy Evangels of Almighty God Depose and Say that they Saw the Testator David Purpoint Sign the Within Will and heard him publish and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the Time of his So Doing he was to the best of their apprehension of Sound and Disposing mind and Memory and that they Subscribed their respective Names as Witnesses to the Said Will in the presence of the Said Testator and at his request Sworn before Beverly Ghiselin Dep. Comy of
3 fides Frederick County.

In the Name of God Amen I Mary Chisum of Kent County in the Province of Maryland being weak of Body but of Sound Mind and Memory (Blessed be God) therefore do this Twenty fourth Day of January one thousand seven hundred & fifty five make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following (that is to say) Imprimis my Will is that my Just Debts & funeral Expences be paid Item I give unto my Son Jacob Booth one Horse Called Blaze and one Mare called ~~[illegible]~~ Pual — Item I give unto my Daughter Mary Leonard my Two Cows and their Calves. Lastly my Will and Pleasure is that all the Rest of my Estate be Equally Divided between my Said Son Jacob Booth and my Daughter Mary Leonard a.d. to them & their Heirs and I also Constitute and appoint and ordain my Beloved Son Jacob Booth Sole Executor of this my Last Will & Testament in Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my Hand and Seal the Day and Year first above Written.

Signed Sealed & Delivered published pronounced and Declared by the s.d Mary Chisum as and for her Last Will & Testament in the presence of us — Nich.s Smith, Mary Boyer, Ann Smith

her Mary Chisum mark (Seal)

One the Back of the foregoing Will was thus Written viz.

Kent County ss. On the Seventeenth Day of February Anno Dom. 1755 Nicholas Smith and Alan Smith two of the subscribing Witnesses to the within written Will of Mary Cleeve within named being duly sworn on the holy Evangels deposed and Declared that they saw the Same Mary the Testatrix Sign and seal the Same Will within Written and heard her publish and Declare the same to be her Last Will and Testament that at the Time of her so Doing She the same Mary was to the best of their Apprehension of Sound and Disposing Mind and Memory that they the Deponents together with Mary Boyer the other subscribing Witness subscribed their Respective Names as Evidences to the same Will in presence of the same Testatrix at her request Sworn before

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Jacob Calder Dep. Clerk Kent County

In the Name of God Amen I George Vansant of Kent County and Province of of Maryland being Sick and weak of Body but of perfect Sound Disposing Mind and Memory praised be God for the Same and Calling to mind the Uncertainty of Life do think proper to Set my Worldly Affairs in Order and therefore do make and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament hereby Revoking and Disannulling all other Wills by me heretofore made Either in Word or Writing and accounting this and no other to be good and valued and Chiefly I Commend my Soul to God who gave it and my Body to Buried in Christian Manner at the Discression of my Executor hereafter named and as for those Worldly Goods wherewith it hath pleased God to Endow me I give and Dispose thereof in Manner following viz: and first my Will is that my Just Debts be punctually paid. Imprimis I give and Bequeath unto my Son Nicholas Vansant one Shilling Sterling Money of England to be his full Share of my Estate. Item I give and Bequeath unto my Cornelius Vansant my now Dwelling Plantation with all my Lands thereunto belonging to him and his Heirs for Ever. — Item I give and Bequeath unto the Child my Wife now goes with one hundred pounds to be paid out of my Estate when the said Child shall arrive at the Age as the Law Direct for the Reception of Estates — but in

Case the said Child Should Die before it arrive at the aforesd Age then my Will is that the Sd Legacy be Equally divided among my five Sons namely George Cornelius Benjamin Ephraim and John Vansant ——— Likewise order that the Interest of the aforesd Legacie be applied to the raising and Educating the aforesd Child.— Item I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Elizabeth Cole Wife of Peter Cole Ten Pounds to be paid out of my Estate in my Effects according to Appraisement.— Item I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Hester Peacomb Ten pounds to be paid in Manner Last mentioned Item I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Rosulta Salsbury Ten pounds to be paid as above said.— Item I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Anne Smith Ten Pounds to be paid in Manner above said.— And further my Will is after my Just Debts and funeral Expences and my Wifes Lawful Dowry and the above Legacies be paid and Deducted that all the remaining part of my Estate be Equally Divided among my five Sons namely George Cornelius Benjamin Ephraim and John Vansant. And Lastly I do Constitute and appoint my Son Cornelius Vansant my Sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament in Testimony Whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and fixt my Seal this fourth Day of January Anno Domini 1755

Signed, sealed, published and Declared to be the Testators Last Will and Testament in the presence of us — Daniel Hull, Daniel Norris, Wm Browning

George Vansant (Seal)

On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus Written — Viz.— Kent County ss On the 22d Day of March Anno Dom 1755 Daniel Hull and Daniel Norris two of the subscribing Witnesses to the within Written Will of George Vansant being Two of the People Called Quakers on their solemn Affir=mations to them administred affirm and Declare and Writson Browning the other subscribing Witness thereto on his Oath to him duely administred on the Holy Evangels deposed and Declared that they Respectively Saw the Testator the same George Vansant within named sign and Seal the same within

353 Written Will and heard him publish and Declare the Same to be his Last Will and Testament, that at the Time of his So Doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of Sound & Disposing Mind and Memory and that they the Affirmants and Deponts subscribed their Respective Names as Witnesses to the Same Will in the Presence of the Said Testator and at his Request affirmed & Sworn before Ja Calder This Done in the presence of the — D. Emory Kent County Executor the Heir at Law being out of this Province. Test. J. C. D. C.

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In the Name of God Amen this seven the Day of January in the Year of our Lord Christ one thousand seven hundred and forty six I George Copper senr of Kent County in the Province of Maryland being Sick and Weak of Body but of Sound and Perfect sence of Mind and Memory Thank to God & Calling to Mind that it is appointed for all Men once to Die (do) make this my Last Will and Testament in Manner and form following that is to say first and Principally I Recommend my Soul into the Hands of God that gave it & my Body to the Earth to be Buried in a Christian & Decent Like Manner firmly hopping & believing that I shall receive the same at the General Resurrection at the Last Day in and throug the Meritorious Death and Passion of my Blessed Lord & Savior Jesus Christ in whose Mere and only Grace Hope to be saved and Calling to Mind my Worldly Estate with which it hath pleased God to bless me with Doe Dispose of the same in Manner and form following. — Item I give and bequath unto my Loving Son William Copper One hundred Acers of Land on the West Line of Lords Gift to him and his Heirs for ever and One Negroe Man called Peter and Ten Head of Sheep Two Cows & Calves and no more of my Estate Item I give and Bequath unto Loving Son Charles Copper fifty Acers of Land at the Last End of William's Lott as also fifty Acers more at the East End of Lord Gift where my Dwelling now is to him and his Heirs for Ever and One Negroe Boy Called Joe. Item I give and Bequath unto my Loving Son George Copper all the Remainder parts of my Land

Whatsoever after the af.d Lands is Laid out to my Two Sons William and Charles to him and his Heirs for Ever as also One Negroe Man Called Trump five Head of Sheep one Cow and Calf One Steare four or five Years one Gun and More of my Estate — Item I give and Bequeath unto my Loving Daughter Rachell Glaum one Negro Man Called Squash One feather Bed and furniture Two Iron Pott of a Midling Size one Holland Table & one thousand pounds Tobacco and No more of my Estate. — Item I give and Bequeath unto my Loving Daughter Mary Gleaves one Negroe Woman Called Hagar & her Increase and one Negroe Boy Called Peter — Item I give and Bequeath unto my Gran.d Daughter Sarah Gleaves one Negroe Boy called Will and the Same to remain in the Possession of her Mother Mary Gleaves untill the said Sarah Arrives to the Age of Sixteen or Day of Marriage — Item I give and Bequeath unto Grandson Joseph Copper One Horse three Years Old and three pounds Current Money to be paid to the Said Joseph when he arrives to the Age of Eighteen Years — Item I give and Bequeath unto my Two Children Charles Copper and Mary Gleaves the Remainder part of my Personable Estate whatsoever to be Equally Devide between them I Likewise Constitute and appoint my Son Charles Copper and Mary Gleaves my whole and Sole Execu.r of this my Last Will and Testament Disallowing and Revoake all former Wills and Testam.t whatsoever by me made allowing this and no other to be my Last Will and Testament in Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal the Day and Year above written.

George his Mark Copper (Seal)

The Within Will published — pronounced signed Sealed and Declared by the Within George Copper to be his Last Will and Testament in Pres.ce of us —

Vincent Hutcheson, W Hynson Cha. Hynson Junr.

On the Back of the foregoing Will was this Written viz

Kent County S.t On the ninth Day of November Anno Dom. 1754

Vincent Hutchison, William Hynson & Charles Hynson Junr. Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being all duly Sworn

On the Holy Evangels severally Deposed and Declared that they saw the Testator George Copper above named sign and seal the same Will and heard him publish and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament, that at the Time of his so Doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of sound and Disposing Mind & Memory and that they Subscribed their Respective Names as Evidence to the same Will in presence of the same Testator and at his Request

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Sworn before Ja Calder D. Commy Kent Cty

In the Name of God Amen I William Boyer of Kent County in the Province of Maryland gentleman, Considering the Uncertainty of this Mortal Life and being of Sound and perfect Mind and Memory Blessed be Almighty God for the same do make and publish this my Last Will and Testament, in Manner and form following that is to say. Imprimis I give, Devise and Bequeath unto my Beloved Wife Penelopy Boyer all my Lands Tenements and Hereditaments of what Nature or Kind soever I am possessed of During her Natural Life (Except what is hereafter Devised for the use of a School) Together with a Moiety or one Half of all my personal Estate to be Disposed of at her Decease as she sees proper. Item I give and Devise unto William Boyer and Phillip Boyer (Sons of Augustine Boyer Jen-) and John Boyer (Son of Richard Boyer) and to their Heirs Males for Ever, a Certain Tract or parcel of Land Lying and Being in the County afore- and called and known by the Name of Phillip's Neglect Containing four Hundred and Ninety five Acres (more or Less) to be Equally Divided among them (Always Excepting and for ever Hereafter Reserving off, from and out of, any part or parcell of the above Devised Tract of Land and Premises as much Timber and Firewood as shall at any time Hereafter be necessary and wanting as well to Build and Fence as to supply and support a Dwelling House and School House with firewood and other Necessaries (which Houses are to be built on a parcell of Land adjoining unto the above Devised Premises and purchased by me from John Smith) with full and free Liberty and Lycence to any Hereafter Concerned To Enter, Cutt, and Carry away the same

from any part or parcels of the above Devised Tract of Land... and Premisses for the purposes aforesaid). Item I give and Devise unto Thomas Boyer (Son of Augustin Boyer Junr) and to his Heirs Males for ever One hundred Acres of Land Lying and being in Rich Level, Item I give and Devise unto Thomas Boyer (Son of Nathaniels Boyer) and to his Heirs Male for ever One hundred Acres of Land being part of a Tract of Land Called and known by the Name of Indian Range And to the Intent that the above Devised Tracts of Land and Premisses and every of them Should for Ever bee and Remain the Possession and Inheritance of the Family of the Boyers, my Will is that if any of the above Devisees or their Heirs Males, or any of their Heirs Males Should Die without Heir Male that then the surviving Devisees or their Heirs being Males shall have his or their part, Share or Portion or Parts shares or Portions (who Die without Heir or Heirs Male) Equally Divided among the surviving Devisees or their Heirs being Males.— Item I give and Devise unto Black Michael and to his Heirs and Assigns for ever fifty Acres of Land Lying and being part in Indian Range and part in Boyers Venture, and my Will is also that the said Black Michael be free from servitude when he arrives to the Age of Twenty four years if my Wife Penelopy be then Dead otherwise not untill her decease but if the said Black Michael Should Die before he arrives to the said Age and without Heir that then my Will is that the said fifty Acres of Land be Equally Divided among the aforesaid surviving Devisees or their Heirs being Males. Item I give and Devise (in Trust) unto the Minister and Vestery Men of the Parish of Shrewsbury in the County aforesd and to their successors for ever a Certain Tract or parcels of Land (Purchased by me from John Smith) Containing Thirty five Acres being part of a Tract of Land called (Mill fork) Together with all the Right Title and Property the said Smith had to any other Lands thereunto Adjoyning, It being Devised in the Trust and Confidence Reposed in them and their successors, but for the sole and only use Benefit and Behoof of Encouraging a School to be Constantly kept and Maintained in the Neighbourhood... thereunto Adjoyning. To instruct Children and Youth in Reading

Writing and Arithmetick Item I give and Bequeath one Hundred and fifty pounds for a further Encouragement towards settleing a School in the said Neighbourhood, which Sum is to be Laid out Expended and Disposed of as follows - viz. Part thereof to be Laid out and Expended by my Executors x x x x x Hereafter named in Building a Dwelling House and School-House and other Conveniencies on some suitable part of the above Devised thirty five acres of Land and in such other necessaries as to them shall Seem wanting and my Will is that the said Buildings shall be Compleated and finished within one Year after my Decease and to be So Contrived and Projected that the Costs thereof Exceed not one Hundred pounds of the said Sum, and as Concerning the Remainder or Overplus of the said One hundred and fifty pounds after the said Buildings &c are fully paid for my Will is that it be paid unto the Minister and Vestery of the said Parish of Shrewsbury for the Time being within twelve Months after my Decease and by them and their successors for Ever be put to Interest the Interest whereof to be paid Yearly and Every Year to the Master or teacher of the said School for Teaching and Instructing Such poor Peoples Children of the Neighbourhood whose Parents are not of Ability to pay a Teacher themselves for their Learning: but if at any time (after the said School is built and settled) it should happen that there should not be a Teacher to officiate in the said School; or that there should be no Children in the Neighbourhood but such whose Parents shall be Esteemed of Ability to pay for their Childrens Teaching or that the Rest of the Children in the Neighbourhood are so few that their Number will not amount to a Quantity sufficient to support a Teacher at the Common price ~~of~~ Scholar &c in any of which Cases my Will is that the Interest of Such Sum of Money as is Deposited in the Hands of the said Minister and Vestery Men be applied to such Use or Uses as they (for the time being) shall think fit and approve to be the Most Expedient in order to retain and supply the said School with a sufficient Teacher, and my Will is further that the Master or Teacher of said School shall read the Common Prayer or Service of the Church of England and sing Psalms (Every Sunday

the Minister preaches not at the Chappel in the Said School=
House. — Item I give and Bequeath unto my Brother Augustine
Boyer Ten pounds. Item I give and Bequeath unto the poor
of the Parish of Shrewsbury One hundred pounds to be applied in
Juche Charitable Uses as the Minister and Vestery Men of the
Parish aforesaid shall think proper. Item I give and Bequeath
unto Phillis and Rebecca Boyer Daughters of my Brother
Augustine Boyer Senr each fifty pounds — Item I give and
Bequeath unto Susanna Mercer Fifty pounds which said several Sums
Legacies or Sums of Money I Will and Order that they shall
be paid to the several and Respective Legatees within twelve
Months after my Decease. Item I give and Bequeathe unto
Augustine Boyer Junr my Riding Chair and Clock after my
Wifes Decease — Item I Will that my old Negro Man
Wharton Trump be set free and at his Liberty at my Wifes
Decease and that he have paid him out of my Estate (by my
Executors) five pounds pr Year as Long as he Lives, And Lastly
as to all the rest, residue and Remainder of my Personal Estate
(if any there be) Either in Money Goods or Chattles after my Debts
and Legacies are fully satisfied and paid, my Will is that what
Remains be Equally Divided between William Boyer (Son of
Augustine Boyer Senr) and John Boyer (Son of Richard Boyer
Devisees aboveSaid — and I do hereby Nominate Constitute and
appoint my Beloved Wife Penelopy Boyer William Pearson Esq=
and Augustine Boyer Junr my Executrix and Executors of this my
Last Will and Testament Hereby revoking and Disannulling all
former Wills by me made In Witness whereof I have Hereunto
set my Hand & Seale the Twenty Day of November Anno Dom
fourteen Hundred and fifty four. — Wm Boyer (Seal)

Signed sealed published and Declared
by the above named William Boyer to
be his Last Will and Testament in the
Presents of us who Have hereunto subscribed
our Names as Witnesses in the Presence of the Testator
William Caulk, Robert Webb, John Pole.

— On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus Written viz —
Kent County ss — be it remembered that on the thirteenth Day of
January Anno Dom. 1755 William Caulk and Robert Webb

359 Two of the subscribing Witnesses to the within written Will of William Boyer the Testator within named being duly Sworn on the Holy Evangels Deposed and Declared that they saw the said Testator William Boyer sign and seale the same Will and heard him Publish and Declare the same to be his Last Will & Testament that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Knowledge & Apprehension of sound and Disposing Mind and Memory and that they the said Deponents together with John Pell the other subscribing Witness within named subscribed their Respective Names as Witnesses to the same Will in the presence of the said Testator and at at his Request.

15 1/2 sides — Sworn before Ja Calder Dep Comy
Kent County

In the Name of God Amen I Denis Carter of Kent County in the Province of Maryland &c being praised be God in perfect Health of Mind though Sick and weake in Body Expecting Salvation through the Merits of my Saviour Jesus Christ do make this my Last Will and Testament in Manner following &c Imprimis I Leave and Bequeath my Soul to Almighty God that gave it and my Body to be Decently Interred by my Executors Rhode Carter my Loving and Lawfulle Wife and John Donahaw which I appoint and Constitute to be my Ex^rs of all my Real and Personal — Item I give and Bequeath to my Loving Wife Rhode Carter the one Half of all my Estate Goods Chattles &c. my Lawfulle Debt and funeral Charges being first paid &c — Item I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Sarah Carter the other one Half of my Estate as aforesaid to be Managed by John Donahaw &c. tho my S^d Daughter is of Age & that my Said Daughter may have one Years Schooling — Item I also give and Bequeath unto my Said Daughter Sarah Carter the Plantation Called the New Purchase Joyning on my Dwelling Plantation. — Item my Will and Desire is that there may be a Vandue made of all my Estate above S^d by my Ex^rs aff^d and the Sum therefrom arising to be equally Divided between my Loving Wife &c and John Donahaw for the use of my Said Daughter this I Declare to be my Last Will and Testament

Hereby revoking all other Wills formerly made by me witness my Hand and Seal this Seventh Day of Novemb^r in the Year of our Lord 1754 — Dennis Carter (Seal)
Signed and Delivered in the presents of us —
John Kennedy, William Caulk, William, Heverin —

On the Back of the foregoing Will was this Written vizt —
Kent County ss — On the 3^d Day of February Anno Dom 1755
John Kennedy William Caulk & William Heverin the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will of Dennis Carter Decd above named being duly Sworn on the holy Evangels deposed and Declared that they severally Saw the same Dennis Carter the Testator sign and seale the same Will and heard him publish and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the Time of his so Doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of sound and Disposing Mind and Memory and that they Subscribed their Respective Names as Witnesses to the same Will in the presence of the same Testator and at his Request — Sworn before Wm Calder D Comy K^t County

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In the Name of God Amen I John Haley of Kent County and Province of Maryland being very Sick and weak of Body but of Perfect and sound Disposing Mind and Memory praised be God for the same and knowing that it is appointed unto all Men once to Die do think proper to set my Affairs in order and therefore do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament Hereby revoking and Disanulling all other Wills by me Heretofore made Either in Word or Writing and first and principally I Commend my Soul into the Hand of God who gave it me and my Body to the Ground to be buried in a Decent Manner at the Discression of my Executor Hereafter named and as for those Worldly Goods wherewith it hath pleased God to Endow me I give and Dispose thereof in Manner following — Viz:
First my Will is that my Just Debts be punctually paid —
Imprimis — I give and Bequeath unto my Loving Son William Haley my now Dwelling Plantation with all my Land thereunto Belonging to him and his Heirs for Ever — I also give unto my Said William one Negroe Man Named Ned —
Item I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Elizabeth Morfit

Wife of George Morfit one Negro Woman named Dinah.
Item I give and ~~and~~ give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Mary Morfit Wife of Richard Morfit one Negroe Girl named Judy
Item I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Anne Wilson Wife of James Wilson one Negroe Girl named Sea. Item I give and Bequeath unto my son John Haley one Negroe Girl named Amey - Item I give and Bequeath unto my Son Charles Haley one Negro Boy named Abraham - Item I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Rachel Haley one Negroe Girl named Sal
Item I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Hannah Haley one Negro Boy named Jo - Item I give and Bequeath Susanah Haley one Negroe Girl named Beck - Item I give and Bequeath unto my Nephew John Pell Twenty pounds to be paid out of my Estate according to Appraisment - Item I give and Bequeath unto my Nephew Haley Pell Twenty pounds to be paid ~~out of my Estate~~ as before Said, and further my Will is that after my Just Debts and funeral Expences and the above Legacies be paid that all the Remaining part of my Estate be Equally Divided among my Nine Children Namely William, Elizabeth, Mary, John, Anne, Charles, Rachel, Hannah & Susanah only the Value of one Bed and furniture which Elizabeth has had and the Like which Mary has had is to be Deducted out of their share and Lastly I do Constitute and Appoint my Son William Haley and George Morfit my Sole Executors of this my Last Will and Testament in Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and fixt my Seal this fifth Day of November Domini 1754.

John his ✠ mark Haley (Seal)

Signed sealed published and Declared in Presence of Memorandum the Word (Hannah) Interlined before signed.
Test Daniel Hulls, William Parker, John Wilson

On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus Written viz
Kent County ss. on the 25th Day of January Anno Dom 1755 Daniel Hulls William Parker and John Wilson the three Subscribing Witnesses to the within written Will of John Haley the Testator named came before me the Subscriber Deputy Commissary of Kent County and the same Daniel being one of the People called

362 Quakers on his solemn Affirmation to him Administered declared ...
and the ~~same~~ said William & John on their Oaths to them duly ad=
=ministered on the Holy Evangels Deposed and Declared that
they severally Saw the said Testator John Haley Sign and Seal
the same written Will and heard him publish and —
Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament that at
the Time of his so Doing he was to the best of their appre=
=hensions of Sound & Disposing Mind & Memory and that they
the Affirmant & Deponents subscribed their respective names as
Witnesses to the Same Will in the presence of the said Testator &
at his Request affirmed & Swore before Jad Calder Dep. Comry
Kent County
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In the Name of God Amen I John Forman of Kent County
Planter being Sick and weak in Body but of perfect Mind and
Memory and Calling to Mind the Mortality of my Body Do
make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament in Manner and
form as follows viz: first and principly I give and Recommend
my Soul into the Hands of God that gave it me and my Body
to the Earth to be Buried in a Christian Like and Decent manner
at the Discretion of my Executors Hereafter mentioned and as —
for what Worldly Goods it has pleased God to bless me with Do
Dispose of in Manner and form following — Imprimis I Consti=
=tute and ordain my Well Beloved son in Law Joseph But=
=cher to be whole and sole Executor of this my Last Will and
Testament and that he is to give my to Daughters viz: Sarah
and Beatrice about five pounds a peace after all the Debts
are paid and as for my Two Sons John and Frederick if they —
are Willing to bind them to Trades if not to stay with him
untill they Come to the Age of Twenty one Years and that he
the said Joseph Butcher is to give them as much Learning
as will make them Capable of Doing their own Business —
Denying and Revoking all other former Wills and Testaments
by me before made Ratifying and Confirming publish and ...
Declaring this and No other to be my Last Will and Test=
=ament in presents of us: — John his ✗ mark Forman (Seal)
Benja: Hackrill, Elizabeth Younger
Sur Younger. —
On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus Written viz: —

Kent County ss. on the fourteenth Day of December Anno Dom 1754 Benjamin Machrill, Elizabeth Younger and John Younger Subscribing Witnesses to the Within written Will being all duly Sworn on the Holy Evangels Deposed and Declared that they severally Saw the Testator John Foreman written named sign and seal the same Will and heard him publish and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the Time of his so Doing he was to the best of their apprehension of Sound & Disposing Mind & Memory and that they the said Deponents Subscribed their Respective Names as Witnesses to the Same Will in the presence of the same Testator and at his request

Sworn before Jr Calder D. Comy Gen.l Ct.

Sir

These are to Certifye you that I have assigned over to Benjamin Foreman the Adm.r of the Estate of John Foreman as Witness my hand

Joseph Butcher

To Mr James Calder Comy.r Kent County Sept. ye 7th 1754

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In the Name of God Amen this tenth Day of March in the Year of our Lord Christ one thousand seven hundred fifty five I Manuel Decost of Queen Anns County Planter being sick and weak of Body but of perfect Mind and Memory thanks be unto God therefore calling to Mind the Mortality of the Body and knowing it is appointed for all Men once to Die do make and ordain this my Last Will & Testament in Manner and form following That is to say first and Principally I give my Soul into the Hands of God who gave it me & for my Body I Com=mend to the Earth to be buried in a Christian and Decent like Manner and According to the Discretion of my Executors Hereafter mentioned nothing Doubting at the General Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the Almighty power of God. and as touching such Worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this Life. I give, Devise, Bequeath and Dispose off in Manner and form following. — Imprimis I give & Bequeath unto my Loving Beloved Daughter ~~[illegible]~~ in Law Sarah Robins my Bay Mare called Phenix and her Increase to my Grand-Daughter Sarah Harris — Item I give and Bequeath unto my said Daughter in Law my Negroe Man Peter an

and also my Oldest feather Bed. Item I give & Bequeath unto my Well Beloved Grand-Daughter Sarah Harris my Newest feather Bed and furniture & one Cow called Lilly - Lastly I give and Bequeath (my funeral Expenses being first Discharged and my Lawful Debts paid) what will remain of personal Estate to be Equally Divided between my Daughter in Law Sarah Rabit and my Grand-Daughter Sarah Harris & of this my Last Will & Testament I make and ordain my Well Beloved Daughter in Law Sarah Rabit my full and whole Executrix and I do hereby utterly Disallow, revoke and Annul all and every other former Wills, Legacies, Bequeaths & Executors by me in any wise before this Time named, Willed or Bequeathed — Ratifying and Confirming this and none other to be my Last Will and Testament. In Witness whereof I have set my Hand and seal the Day and Year above written.

Signed, sealed, published, Pronounced & Declared by the said Manuel Decost as his Last Will and Testament in the Presence of — John Browne, J. Fethe. his Decost Mark (Seal)

— On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus written viz — Queen Anns County ss the 24th April 1755 John Browne and John Feth the subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being Duly and solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God do Depose and Say that they Saw the Testator Manuel Decost Sign the same the same Will and heard him publish and Declare it to be his Last Will and Testament and that at the Time of his so Doing he was to the best of their apprehension of Sound and Disposing Mind and memory - Sworn before Wm Tilghman Deps. Comy of Queen Anns County

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In the Name of God Amen I John Pearce of Kent Island in Queen Anns County in the Province of Maryland being very Sick & Weak of Body but of perfect Mind and Memory thanks be given to God therefore Calling to mind the Mortality of my Body and knowing that it is appointed for all Men once to Die. do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament that is to say principally and first of all I recommend my Soul into the Hands of God that gave it and my Body I recommend it to the Earth to be Buried in a Christian Like and Decent Manner at the...

365 Discretion of my Executrix and for my Worldly Estate I give Devise and Dispose of in the Manner and form following Imprimis I give and Bequeath to my Cousin Susannah Benton My best Bed and furniture and Half a Dozen Plates two small Dishes and a Half Gallon Bason & my Main & Box Iron and Heaters & Two Cows and Yearlins and one Sow and Six Piggs & Two Middlins of Bacon and one Barrel of Corn - Item I give and Bequeath to my Brother in Law Edmond Benton my other Bed & furniture & my Blew Coat and my Will is that after all my Just Debts be paid that my Sister Pratt shall have all the rest of my Estate and Lastly I do appoint my Said Sister Mary Pratt my Whole and Sole Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament and I do hereby Revoke all and every other Will by me made and Do publish and Declare this my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand & Seal this Eleventh Day of March Anno Domini 1755

Signed Sealed Published and Declared to be the Last Will & Testament of John Pearce in the Presence of

John his + mark Pearce (Seal)

Daniel his D mark Nicholson, John Nicholson, Mary her M mark Nicholson.

On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus Written — Vizt.

Queen Anns County Sct. the 22 - April 1755 John Nicholson and Mary Nicholson two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will being duly and solemnly sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God do Depose and Say that they Saw the Testator John Pearce sign the same Will and heard him publish and Declare it to be his Last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so Doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of Sound and Disposing Mind and Memory Sworn before — William Seighman

Dep. Comry of Queen Anns County

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In the Name of God Amen I Joseph Harris of Queen Anns County in the Province of Maryland being Sick and weak of Body but of perfect Sound and Disposing Mind and Memory thanks be to God therefore knowing the Certainty of Death and the uncertainty of the Time when it shall please God to Call me out of this Transitory Life I do hereby revoking and making Void all other Will or Wills by me Heretofore made make

this my Last Will and Testament in Manner and form following
first and principally I recommend my Soul to Almighty God
and my Body to the Earth to be buried in Such Decent and
Christian Manner as my Executrix Hereafter named shall
think Convenient hoping through the Merits and Mediation of
Jesus Christ my Blessed Saviour and Redeemer to Receive a
Joyful Resurrection with the faithful at the Last Day and
as to what Worldly Goods it hath pleased God to bless me
withal I give and Dispose of in the following Manner.—
Item I Leave unto my Loving Wife Roseanna Harris my
now Dwelling Plantation with all my part of a Tract of
Land Called Crumps Chance whereon the same Plantation is
situate During her Natural Life and after her Decease I
give and Bequeath the same Land and Plantation unto my
Nephew Joseph Harris son of my Brother William to him
and his Heirs for ever Item I give and Bequeath unto my
Friend Joseph Tarbutton son of William three sheep viz: two
Ewes and one Ram Item I give and Bequeath unto my
Niece Mary Anne Austin one Ewe and one Lamb — Item I
give and Bequeath unto Ann Bennet Daughter of George Bennet
One Sow and Pigs — Item I give and Bequeath unto my Loving
Wife Roseanna Harris all the remaining part of my personal
Estate after my Just Debts and above Legacys are paid.
Lastly I Constitute and appoint my Loving Wife Roseanna
Harris my Only and sole Executrix of this my Last Will
and Testament. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand
and affixed my Seal this fifth Day of June in the Year
of our Lord Christ One thousand seven hundred and forty Six
signed sealed published and Declared Joseph Harris (Seal)
by the Within and above Joseph
Harris to be his Last Will and Testament
in presence of us the subscribers, by him
Requested to Witness the same.
Thomas his T mark Shoobrooks Margrett her ⋎ mark Shoobrooks Winefred her ⋎ mark Hollinsworth
On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus Written viz
Queen Anns County sc. the 17th April 1755 Winefred Hollinsworth
one of the subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will being duly
and solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God doth
Depose and Say That she saw the Testator Joseph Harris Sign the same

367 Will and heard him publish it and Declare it to be his Last Will
and Testament in the presence and hearing of Thomas Shoobrooks and
Margret Shoobrooks Deceased the other subscribing Witness thereto
that at the time of his so Doing he was to the best of the Appre=
=hension of this Deponent of sound and Disposing Mind and memory
and that shee and the aforesaid Thomas Shoobrooks and Margret
Shoobrooks did subscribe their Respective their Respective Marks as
Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and
at his Request. Which Oath was taken by the said Witness Holling=
=worth in the presence of Benjamin Harris Heir at Law to the
Testator which same Benjamin Harris did not object to the Probat of
the said Will — Before me Wm Tilghman Dep. Comry of
5 Sd Queen Anns County

In the Name of God Amen I John De Bert holt of Queen Anns
County in the Province of Maryland Surgeon but formerly a Native
of Germany born in Heidersberg in the Palatinate being Sick in
Body but of perfect Mind and Memory do therefore make this my
Last Will and Testament In the Manner and form following that is
to say — Imprimis I give and Bequeath unto my Brother John
Philip De bert Holt who now Lives or former has Lived in —
Philadelphia all my Estate Real and Personal that now is in
Germany and all the Right that I might Claim as an Executor of
my Father Deceased — Item I give my Estate in Maryland as fol=
=lowth. that is to say to Andrew Montgomery my Trusty Servant
or tender forty Shillings Curr.t Money of Maryland — Item I give
unto Peter Johnson my fellow in Misfortune forty Shillings —
Current Money of Maryland ~~[illegible]~~ — Item
I give and Bequeath to Richard Lane forty Shillings Current money
of Maryland — Item I give unto my friend Joshua Jacobs forty
Shillings Current Money of Maryland — Item I give and Bequeath
unto my friend William Maybard forty Shillings Current money
of Maryland and Discharge him (and his Wife formerly Sarah
Hays) from all former accounts however so Legally proved —
and Lastly I appoint my friend Nathaniel Wright to be my whole
and sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament for the Use of
my Creditors Empowering him to imploy one or two Officers under him

to Recover ~~to Chancery~~ for the use of my Said Creditors all Debts and Demand that Shall appear in due to me - and I hereby revoke annul and make void all former and other Wills by me heretofore made Ratifying and Confirming this to be my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and Seal this 3. Day of April Anno Domini 1755.

John Debert Holt (Seal)

Signd Seald published and Declared by John Debert holt as his Last Will and Testament Before us the Subscribing Witnesses in presence of the Testator

Wm Peter Johnson, Gavin Dunbar Witnes, William his ⋈ mark Maner

On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus written viz:-

Queen Anns County Sct. the 10th April 1755 Peter Johnson — Gavin Dunbar and William Maner the Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will being duly and solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God do Depose and Say that they saw the Testator John Debert Holt sign the Same Will and heard him publish and Declare it to be his Last Will and Testament that at the Time of his So Doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of Sound and Disposing Mind and Memory and that they Did subscribe their Respective names and mark as Witnesses to the Said Will in the presence of the Said Testator and at his Request Wm Tilghman

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Depty Comty of Queen Anns County

Maryland ss In the Name of God Amen, I William Wilkinson of Prince Georges County being of perfect Mind and memory thanks be to Almighty God and Calling to Mind the Uncertainty of this Transitory Life and knowing that all flesh must Yield to Death I therefore make this my Last Will and Testament in Manner and form following - Item I give and Bequeath unto my four Daughters viz: Ann, Susanna, Sarah and Mary all that Tract of Land Lying in Charles County called Truman's Place Containing five Hundred Acres to be Equally Divided to them and their Heirs for Ever - Item I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Ann Wilkinson one Negro Girl named Phillis and her Increase to her and her Heirs for

369 Ever - Item I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Sarah Wilkinson one Negro Girl named Jeany and her Increase to her and her Heirs for Ever - Item I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Sarah Wilkinson one Negro Girl named Nell and her Increase to her and her Heirs for ever - Item I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Mary Wilkinson one Negro Girl named Jeff and Increase to her and her Heirs for Ever - Item I give and Bequeath unto my Dear and Loving Wife Mrs Barbara Wilkinson the Use of my Water Mill in Chas. County during her Natural Life and after her Decease to be Sold and the produce to be Equally Divided between my four Daughters above named - Item I give and Bequeath unto my Said Wife Mrs Barbara Wilkinson the Plantation whereon I now live to her and her Heirs for Ever. Item I give and Bequeath unto my Son William Hackall Wilkinson all the Residue of my Land in Charles and Prince Georges County to him and his Heirs for Ever - Item it is my further Will that after my Just Debts and funeral Charges are paid that the Residue of my Estate to be Divided according to Law - Lastly I ordain Constitute and appoint my Dear and Loving Wife Mrs Barbara Wilkinson whole and sole Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament In Testamony hereof I have Hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seale this Twenty ninth Day of Sepr Anno Dom 1754.

Signed Sealed published & Declared to be the Last Will and Testament of the Testator in presence of - John Johnson Charles Craycroft . N L Greenfield.

Wm Wilkinson (Seal)

The Widow is Determined to stand to her thirds of the Decd Estate

Peter Dent Dep. Comty

On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus Written — 1755 April ye 24 - 1755 then Came John Johnson Charles Craycroft and Natt. Greenfield three subscribing Evidences to the foregoing Will and being duly and solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God Declair and say they saw William Wilkinson the Decd Testator Sign and seal the foregoing Will & after heard him publish and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament and at the time of his So doing he was of Sound & Disposing Memory to the best of their apprehention and in his presence and at his Request they Subscribed the Same as Evidences - Sworn Before Peter Dent Dep. Comty of Pr Geo: County

370 In the Name of God Amen the 24th Day of January
in the Year of our Lord 1755 I William Tyler of Ponnonkey
in Charles County being very Sick and Weak in Body but
of Perfect Mind minds and Memory thanks be given unto God
therefore Calling ~~unto~~ to Mind the Mortality of my Body and know-
ing that it is appointed for all Men once to Die do make and
ordain this my Last Will and Testament that is to Say —
principaly and first of all I give and recommend my Soul into
the Hands of God that gave it and for my Body I recommend it
to the Earth to be Buried in a Christian Like and Decent manner
at the Discretion of my Executors and as touching Such Worldly
Estate Wherewith it hath pleased God to Bless me in this Life
I give Bequeath and Dispose of the Same in the following
Manner and form — Imprimis I give and Bequeath to my
Well-Beloved Son John Tyler that part of a Tract of Land —
appertaining to me known by the Name of Market overlon —
and all the Lands to me Belonging adjoyning thereto and one
Negro Man Called Tom and also one Negro Woman Called
Nan — Item I give and Bequeath to my well Beloved —
Daughter Elizabeth Tyler all that Tract of Land I purchased
of William Piles Called Jefsemond and the other Lands —
Adjoining thereto which at this Time I have a Warrant upon
and one Negro girl Called Nell To her and her Heirs and
Assigns for Ever — Item I give and Bequeath to my well-
Beloved Daughter ~~Elizabeth~~ Sarah Tyler all that Tract of Land
Where my Mother Elizabeth Mafsey now Lives Called Conveniency
and all the other Lands I have adjoyning thereto and one
Mulatto Boy Called Joseph To her and her Heirs and Assigns
for Ever. — And for the Residue of my Goods Chattles and —
Personal Estate I do Dispose of in the following Manner first it is
my Will and Request that my Executors hereafter named do Secure
the said Lands I have a Warrant upon and Will to my Daughter —
Elizabeth and that all Costs and Charges in securing the Same to her
be fully Discharged and paid out of my Estate and the Residue of
my Goods Chattles &c. I give to be Equally Divided amongst my three
Children viz. John Elizabeth and Sarah and Do Constitute Ordain
and appoint my Son John Tyler and Wm. Tilbeck Executors of
this my Last Will and Testament and I do hereby Disallow, revoke
and Disanul all and every former Testaments Wills and Legacies

Bequests and Executors by me in any wayes before this time name
Willed and Bequeathed Ratifying and Confirming this and no other
to be my Last Will and Testament in Witness whereof I have
hereunto Set my Hand and Seale the Day and Year above written
Signed Sealed published and Declared by William Tyler (Seal)
the Said Wm Tyler as and for his —
Last Will and Testament in the presence of us the Subscribers —
John T. Stoddert, Sarah Lilbeck, Elizabeth Milstead
On the Back of the foregoing Will was then written — viz:
— Charles County Sc — 12th Aprill 1755 Came Sarah Lilbeck and
Elizabeth Milstead Two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within
Will who being duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangelists
of Almighty God do Depose and Say that they Saw the Testator
William Tyler Sign and Seale the within Will and heard him pub=
=lish and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament
and that at the Time of his so Doing ~~he~~ was to the best of their
of their apprehensions of Sound and Disposing Mind and Memory
and that they severally Subscribed their Names as Witnesses to the
said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request
and at the Same time Came John Truman Stoddart the other Sub=
=scribing Witness who being Sworn as aforesaid Deposeth and Saith —
that he saw the Testator aforesaid Sign and Seale the said Will and
heard him publish and Declare it to be his Last Will and Testament
and that he this Deponent Signed as a Witness to the said Will in
the presence of the Testator but does not think he was of that
Sound and Disposing mind and Memory that is requisite for a
Man to make his Will and further Saith not and at the same time
Came William Lilbeck who also being Solemnly Sworn as aforesaid
Deposeth and saith that he wrote the Within Will at the request
of the Testator aforesaid and that he saw him duly Execute the Same and
according to his apprehensions was perfectly in his Senses and that some
after the Testator recovered from that Illness this Deponent asked him
if he remembered how he had made his Will or if he wanted any Altera=
=tions to the which the Said William Tyler answered that he perfectly —
Remembered and that if it was wrote over again he should make it in the
Same Manner and further saith not which Several Probates were taken
in the presence of John Tyler the Heir at Law to the Deceased who
did not object to the same — Before Dan: Jenifer Dep: of
Charles County

Maryland ss. In the Name of God Amen I Leonard Green of Charles County in the Province aforesd being Sick and weak but of Perfect and found memory do make and Ordain this my Last Will & Testament and first I give my Soule to Almighty God hoping through the Meritorious Death and Passion of my Saviour Christ to Receive the same at the Last Day and my Body to ~~[illegible]~~ be Interred at the Discretion of my Executor hereafter Mentioned and as for my Worldly Goods I Dispose of them in Manner and form following - Imprimis I give and Bequeath to my Eldest Son Leonard Green one Hundred Acres of Land being part of Phenix's Mannor Lying in Saint Marys County also Seventy five Acres of Greens Inheritance Lying in Charles County - Item I give and Bequeath all the Remaining part of Greens Inheritance, one hundred Acres part of Saint Mathews and Eighteen Acres of Land called the Mount all Lying in Charles County to be Equally Divided between my Son Robert Green my Brother Cuthbert Green and my Brother Francis Green - Item I give all my Personal Estate to be Equally Divided between my Sons Leonard Green & Robert Green and my Daughters Martha Green & Mary Ann Sewell Green Lastly I do appoint Joseph Doyne to be my Executor of this my Last Will and Testament in Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and affixed my Seal this 18th Day of April Anno Domini 1755 - Leonard Green (Seal)

Signed Sealed and Declared to be his Last Will and Testament before us —

Thos. Hew. Luckett John his Gates Thos. McPherson

On the Back of the Foregoing Will was thus written - viz

Charles County ss. 28th April 1755 Came Thomas Hepsey Luckett John Gates and Thomas Macpherson the three Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will who being duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God Do Depose and Say that they Saw the Testator Leonard Green Junr Sign and Seal the within Will and heard him publish and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament and that at the Time of his So doing was to the best of their Apprehensions of Sound and Disposing mind and memory and that they Severally Subscribed their Respective Names as Witnesses to the Said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his request which Probat was taken (the Heir at Law being a Minor and therefore not present) Before - Dan: Jenifer Geo: of Charles County

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In the fear of Almighty God and Regard to the Uncertainty of time in this World it seemeth good to me Cassandra Giles of Baltimore County in the Province of Maryland to make this for my Last Will and Testament Relating to these things it hath pleased God to bless me with in this World: being at this Time in perfect Memory and found Disposing Mind — First my Will and Desire is that all those Lawful debts which Shall be Due from me at the Time of my Decease with my Funerals Expences be well and truly paid — Item I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Sarah Hopkins Wife of Samuel Hopkins: my Negro Man named Cato. — Item I give and Bequeath unto my Grandson John Slemaker my Negro Man named Roger provided my Said Grandson Live to the age of Twenty Years old to receive the Said Negro: but in Case of Said Grandson Die before he arrive to twenty Years old as afs then and in such Case I give and Bequeath my afs Negro Man Roger to my Grandson Gearrard Hopkins but in Case my Said Grandson Gearrard Hopkins Die before he arrive at Legal age to receive the Said Negro then and in such Case I give and Bequeath my afores Negro Roger unto my afs ~~[illegible]~~ Grandson Gearrard next Succeeding Living Brother which shall arrive at Legal Age to receive the Said Negro. Nevertheless my Will Desire and Intent is that my Son in Law Samuel Hopkins have the use of my afs Negrow Man Roger from the Time of my Decease till my afores Grandson John Slemaker arrive at the age of Twenty Years as afs allowing and paying for Such use or all manner of Services to be done by my Said Negro Man Roger: Clear from my Said Negroes Maintenance and all Expences to him Relating the Sum of five pounds Current money P Annum towards the Education and Maintanance ~~and all expences to time Particular~~ of my aforesaid Grandson John Slemaker to be received yearly by my Said Grandsons Legal guargans. — Item I give and Bequeath all the remaining part of my Estate unto my Two Daughters vz: Sarah Hopkins afs and Elizabeth Bankson Wife of Joseph Bankson to be Equaley Devided between them Lastly I ordain Constitute and appoint my af Son in Law Samuel Hopkins my Sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament having no other in the World in Testimony whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal this the 30th day of the 12th month 1754

Signed Sealed and acknowledged to be her Last Will and Testament in the presents of us — Cassandra Giles (Seal)

Joseph Tayler — Edward Lewis Junior

On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus Written Viz:

Feby 8th 1755 Came Joseph Taylor & solemnly affirmed that he saw the Testatrix Sign the within Will and heard her publish and declare the same to be her Last Will and Testament and Edward Lewis being duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God depose and say that he saw the Testatrix Cassandra Giles sign the Within Will and heard her publish and declare the Same to be her Last Will and Testament at the Time of her so Doing She was to the best of their Apprehensions of Sound and Disposing Mind and memory and that they Subscribed their Respective Names as Witnesses to the said Will in her presence and at her Request affirmed & proved

5th Mo — Before — W Young D Comy - Baltimore County

This Thirtieth day of the Seventh Month Called September in the year one thousand seven hundred & fifty one I John Webster of Baltimore County in the Province of Maryland being in Health of Body and of perfect mind & Memory do for the Better Settlement of my temporal Affairs make this my Last Will and Testament Revoking all former Wills by me made my Soul and Spirit I Resign to God that gave it and my Body to be Buried at the Discretion of my Executors Hereafter named and as to the Worldly the Lord in his Mercy has been pleased to afford me after all my Just Debts and funeral Charges are paid I give and Bequeath as follows. — Imprimis I give unto my Eldest Son John Webster Deceast and his Heirs five Shillings Curr Money to be paid in one Month after Demanded — I give unto my Grand = = Daughter Martha Gilbert Daughter of my aforesd Son John Webster One hundred Acres of Land whereon Samuel Gilbert now lives being part of a Tract of Land called John and Isaacs Lott to her and her Heirs and Assigns for ever — And it is my Will that my aforesd Son John Webster and his Heirs shall not Injoy any more of my Estate than what is hereby given Either Real or Personal I having already given him & his fellow proportion of Each. — 2dly I give unto my Daughter Sarah Deaver all that part of a Tract of Land called Sedgley which Lies on the East Side of a Run Called Broad Run together with so much of a Tract of Land Called best Indeavour as Lieth to the Westward of the following Lines beginning at the End... of the North East Line of Sedgley and to run from thence to a Hicory Tree which Lieth on the Road between my Corn field and Antle Deavours which Tree my Son Michael fell to make pegg thence with a Straight Line to the West Line of best Indeavour

Where the Same Crosseth the Church Road which includes to the Westward as afs. about one hundred & fifteen Acres to her and her Heirs and Assigns for Ever — 3dly I give unto my Son Mich. Webster that part of a Tract of Land called Best Endeavour which Shall be Contained within the Bounds as follows, to begin at a markt Hiccory and a Markt Chesnut Tree Standing at the head of a Branch Called the Long branch and to run from the Said Trees a Direct Course to a White Oak markt with Six Notches Standing by a Run called Broad Run near where the Horse Road Crosseth the Said Run between my house & my Son Michaels then Running up the Said Run & bounding on the Main Stream thereof till it Intersects the north East Line of the whole Tract then running north East with the Said Line to the Extent of the Said Line then South East three hundred Sixty Six Poles then running with the giving Line of the whole Tract till it Intersects the afs. Long Branch then running up and bounding on the Main Water Course of the afs. branch to the afs. Hiccory and Chesnut Trees to him & his Heirs & Assigns for ever — Item I also give unto my Son Michael Webster all that part of a Tract of Land called Webster Inlargement which Lies to the South of a Branch called the Indian Spring branch which said Branch Descends into James's Run To him his Heirs & Assigns for ever — 4thly I give unto my Son Isaac Webster all that part of the Tract of Land called Sedgley which Lies on the West Side of the afs. Run called Broad Run and Likewise all the remaining part of the Land called best Endeavour which Lies on the West Side of the Said Run and also all that part of Said Tract which is on the East Side of Said Run from the Bounds before Mentioned of my Son Michaels till it runs to that part of Said Tract I have willed to my Daughter Sarah Dawson but provided my Wife that is now should Survive me and is Inclinable to Live where I now do Fallow that she Should and that She shall hold that part of best Endeavour which I have willed to my Son Isaac during her Natural Life if she should think proper to Live upon it After her Decease or Removal to Live Else where then Said Land to be my Son Isaacs his Heirs and Assigns for Ever — 5thly I give unto my Son Samuel Webster all that parcel of Land called Websters Forrest with one hundred Acres adjoining called Howards forrest purchased of Abraham Taylor together also with all that part of a Tract of Land called Websters Inlargement which Lieth to the Northward of the aforesaid Indian Spring To him and his Heirs and Assigns for Ever

6.thly I give all my other Lands of what Nature of what nature or Kind Soever not by me already given to my five Children Sarah Michael Isaac Samuel & Alizannah to be Equally divided amongst them & their Heirs and Assigns for ever notwithstanding Survivorship. 7.thly But in Case any of the Lands bequeathed to my three Sons Michael, Isaac and Samuel Should be taken away by any more antient or Elder Survey or Surveys or by any other Means what=soever that then my three Sons Michael, Isaac & Samuel Shall bear Equal part of the Loss by the Land so taken away or if any Law suit Should arise Concerning the Same that they Shall Each bear Equal part of the Charges & Loss by the Land so taken away as afsd. 8.thly I give unto my Daughter Sarah Beaver one Negro Girl named Bett to her and her Heirs & Assigns for ever. 9.thly I give unto my Son Mich.l Webster one Negro Girl named Nann to him and his Heirs & Assigns for Ever. 10.thly I give unto my Son Isaac one Negro Boy named Joe to him & His Heirs & Assigns for ever. I also give unto my Son Isaac my Negro Boy Harrah (in Consideration that he pay unto my Son Samuel Webster the Sum of Six pounds Sterling & to my Son Michael Six pounds Sterling) to him and his Heirs & Assigns for ever 11.thly I give unto my Son Samuel One Negro Man named Nebo to him and his Heirs and Assigns for Ever. 12.thly I give unto my Daughter Alizannah Bond one Negro Woman named Betty one Negro Boy named Will and one Negro Girl named Moll to her and her Heirs and Assigns for Ever. 13.thly I give unto my Son Samuel Webster one Negro Fellow named Jampson to him and his Heirs and Assigns for ever. 14.thly I give unto my Grand Daughter Sarah Regbie one Negro Girl named Sarah to her and her Heirs & Assigns for Ever. 15.thly I give unto my well Beloved Wife Mary Webster my pacing Mare which I bought of my Grand Son John Webster or Else a Bay Gilding Called Blaze which She shall think proper to make Choice of. Lastly I appoint my three Sons Michael Isaac and Samuel to Divide the remainder of my Goods & Chattels Rights and Credits of what nature or kind Soever into Six Equal parts so far as their knowledge Shall Shew them So that my Well Beloved Wife Mary Webster & my well Beloved five Children may Each of them have an Equal Dividend thereof but in Case the Majority of my above mentioned Children Should Lightly Esteem this appointment of mine

and Set no store by my Council and Directions which would Tend to their Interest then I appoint my well Beloved Wife Mary Webster & my well Beloved three Children Michael Isaac and Samuel Joint Executrix & Executors of this my last Will and Testament. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seal the Day and Year first above Written.

John his ✠ mark Webster (Seal)

Signed Sealed and published by the Said John Webster in the presence of us

Willm Smith, Mary Ruff, Mary Duall, Owing his ✠ mark Dunn

On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus written viz April 18th 1753 William Smith and Mary Ruff Two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God Depose and Say that they Saw the Testator John Webster Sign the foregoing Will as also Mary Duall the other of the Subscribing Witnesses made her Solemn Affirmation that She also Saw the Testator Jno. Webster Sign the Sd foregoing Will and that they and Each of them heard him publish and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehensions of Sound and Disposing Mind and Memory: and they all Subscribed their their Respective Names as Witnesses to the Said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request. Before Me Thomas Conway Talbot County

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In the Name of God Amen I James Corkran of Talbot County in the Province of Maryland Planter being weak and Sickly in Body but of perfect Memory and Understanding (thanks be to God) do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament. — first and principally I Commit my Soul to God my Creator in whose Divine Mercy I humbly trust for the Remission of my Sins and my Body to the Earth to be Decently Interr'd at the Discretion of my Executrix Hereafter to be named and as touching Such Worldly Substance as it has pleased the Lord to bless me with I will & Bequeath it as follows. — Imprimis I give and Bequeath to my beloved Wife Sarah my Chair and a Horse Call'd Bird over and above her thirds. — Item I Leave all my personal Estate (my Wifes thirds being first Deducted) to my Two Sons James and Jonathan to be Equally Divided between them when they Shall arrive to Lawful Age or at the Day of their Marriage but my Will is that their Said Estate Shall be Left in possession of my Wife till they arrive to Lawful Age or are Marry'd — Item I Desire all my Just Debts may be Discharged out of my Estate by my Wife — Item I Desire to be Buried

near my Brother Terence. — Lastly I Constitute my beloved Wife Sarah my Sole Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament. — Hereby revoking all Wills Heretofore by me made confirming this only as my Last Will. Signed Sealed published and pronounced the Fixteenth Day of March in the Year of our Lord God 1755 —

In presence of us the Subscribers — James Corkrin (Seal)
Mich. Hackett. Henry Carey. Henry Corkrin, —

On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus Written — viz: —
Talbot County ss. Michael Hacket Henry Carey and Henry Corkrin the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being Duly and Solemnly Sworn on the holy Evangels of Almighty God depose and say that they Saw the Testator James Corkrin Sign the fore=going Will and heard him publish and Declare the Same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the Time of his So doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of Sound and Disposing Mind and Memory. Sworn before me this 18th Day of April — Anno Dom: 1755 — Dan: Maynadier Dep. Comty Co.ty

I Hereby Certify that Sarah Corkrin the Widow of the above Testator made her Election to stand to the above Will on the 26th April 1755
5 Sides — Before me — Dan: Maynadier Dep. Comty Co.ty

In the Name of God Amen I Zadock Bodfield Talbot County in the Province of Maryland Planter being weak in Body but of Sound Mind and Memory blessed be God To this Twenty Second Day of March in the Year of our Lord Christ one thousand Seven hundred and fifty five make and publish this my Last Will and Testament in Manner as followeth that is to say Imprimis I Commend my Soul to God who gave it me and my Body to the Earth from whence it came in hopes of a Joyful Resurrection through the Merits of my Lord and Saviour Christ Jesus. and as touching the Temporal Estate which it hath Pleased God to bless me with I Dispose thereof as followeth. —
It is my Will and Desire that my Just Debts be honestly paid by my Exec: hereafter named — Item I gave my Slave Hannah and her Increase unto my Son Zadock Bodfield and my Daughter Eliz: Bodfield to be Equally Divided between them when my Son Shall Come to age of Twenty one Years — Item I gave thirty pounds Current of Maryland unto my Son Zadock Bodfield when he Shall Come to the Age of Twenty one Years — Item I Leave my Son Zadock in the Care of my Brother Abednego Bodfield and likewise fifteen pounds Current Money of Maryland to be applied to the Eddication

of my Son untill he shall Come to the Age of fourteen Years and then to be bound to the Trade of a Cabenate Maker or House Joyner by my Brother afs.— Item I Leave my Daughter Elizabeth in the Care of my Wife Sarah untill She arrive to the age of Sixteen Years — Item I gave my Wife Sarah and my Youngest Daughter Rebeca forty pounds pounds pounds Current Mony of this Province to be paid her in Goods and Chattels by way of Appraisment to be Equally divided between them and my Daughters part to be and Remain in my Wifes possession untill She Comes to the Age of Sixteen Years this being all that I Intend to give ~~them~~ to my Said Daughters Rebecca. Item I gave unto my Wife all the Cotton and Wool Flax Shingles Boards and Nailes now in my possession. — Item my Will and Desire is that my Slave Hannah Shall be and remain in the Possession of my Said Wife from the Day of my Death untill my Son Zadock shall to Age of Twenty one Years. my Wife having her Service Without any Satisfaction to be made hereafter Item it is my Will and Desire that my Wife Sarah Should Live upon my Tract of of Land Called Covington Rent free untill my Son Zadock comes to Age of Twenty and one Years and then to be Delivered up to my afs. Son for Ever she not to have any more Claim nor Right to the afs. Tract of Land nor any part or parts whatsoever of my personable Estate More then Heretofore Mentioned. — and it is Likewise my Will and Desire is that if in Case She Should Die before my Son comes to to the Age above mentioned that the above mentioned Land and Slave Should go unto the Possession of the Executor Hereafter mentioned. Item alls the remainder part of my personable Estate I give to my Son Zadock and Daughter Eliz: to be Equally Devided between them when they arrive at Age. — Item my Will is that if my Executor Should See that if any of the Meaner Sort of my Goods and Chattels a Going to Decay that he should have it in his power to make Saile of them after appraisment. — and Lastly I ordain Constitute and appoint Mr. Philip Walker my Sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament Hereby revoking all former and other Wills heretofore made by me in Witness whereof I have hereunto to this my Last Will and Testament my hand and Seal the Day and Year above written signed Sealed and published and Declared by the Said Zadock Bodfield as and for his Last Will and Testament in the presents of us whose names are here underwritten

Peter Davis, William Cook — Zak: Bodfield (Seal)

James his + mark Anderson, Jacob his mark Greenhawk

Sarah Bodfield the Widow Renounces this 18th Day of April 1755
Certified by Dan.l Maynadier D. Comry T. C.ty

I do hereby renounce all Claim and title to my Right of being Executor as mentioned in the written Will as Witness my hand this 12th Day of April 1755

Test.ts Jam.s Bowman John Berry Philip Walker

On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus written viz.
Talbot County S.t William Cook James Anderson and Judy Greenhauk Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God Depose and Say that they Saw the Testator Zadock Bodfield Sign the foregoing Will and heard him publish and Declare the Same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of Sound and Disposing Mind and Memory and that they Signed their Respective Names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his Request and that they Likewise Saw Peter Davis the other Subscribing Witness Subscribe his Name as a Witness to the Said Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his Request. Sworn before me this 18th Day of April 1755 Dan.l Maynadier Dep. Comry T. C.ty

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In the Name of God Amen I John Clark of S.t Marys County being Sick and Weak in Body but of perfect Sense and Memory I praise God for the Same I do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament in Manner and form following. Imprimis I Bequeath my Soul to God and my Body to the Earth to be Decently interred at my Discretion of my Exec.rs Hereafter named. I give unto my Daughter Ann Wheatly one Shilling Sterling money to be paid when Demanded in full of her part of my Estate. I give unto my Son Richard Clark my Tract of Land and Plantation Called by the name of Marys Hope to him and his Heirs for ever my Will and Desien is that my Son Richard Clark shall not demand possition of the af.d Land till he arives to the Age of Twenty one years and it is my Desien my Son Richard Clarke shall be under his Mothers Tewishon till he arives to the Age af.d my Will and Desire is that in Consideration of my Son Richard Clarke Inheriting my Land as aforementioned that he shall pay unto my Daughter Angellica Clarke at the Expiration of one year after he persesis the af.d Land Twenty pounds sterling money

and my Will is that my Son Richard Clark shall also pay unto my Daughter Elizabeth Clarke Twenty pounds Starling money when she shall arise to the Age of Twenty one years in Consideration of my Son having the aforesd Land. my Will and Desire is that my Loving Wife Elizabeth Clarke shall have possition of the aforesd. Land and Plantation aforementioned untill my Son Richard Clarke arises to Age aforesd my Will and Desire is that after paying all my Just Debts and funeral Expences that the Residue of my personal Estate shall be the property of my Loving Wife Elizabeth Clarke. I do nominate Constitute and appoint my Loving Wife Elizabeth Clarke and my Loving friend Richard Millbourn Extrix and Executor of this my Last Will and Testament hereby Revoking all other by me formerly made but my Will and Desire is that if my Wife aforesaid should marry any person that should Misuse my Children or any of them that then my friend Richard Millburn shall take such Child or Children into his Care. In Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this first Day of Jan. Anno Dom. 1755

Signed and Sealed in presence of us — Jno. Clarke Seal

R: Barnhouse, Thomas, Stephen his mark Millburn, Henry Fletcher

On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus Written — Vide.

St Marys County ss. March 31th 1755 Then Richard Barnhouse John Thomas, Stephen Willburne & Henry Fletcher the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God depose and Say that they saw the Testator John Clarke Sign the foregoing Will and heard him publish and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the Time of his So doing he was to the best of their Apprehetion of Sound and Disposing Mind and Memory and that the Subscribed their Respective Names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Said Testator & at his Request — Sworn to before me — Tho: Ausguith Dep Comry of St Marys County

The Day and year aforesaid the Decents Widow made her Election and stands to the Will

Certified by me Tho: Ausguth Dep. Comry of St Marys County

5 1/2 Sides

In the Name of God Amen I William Jenkins of St Marys County in the Province of Maryland being in Health and Sound Judgment thanks be to Almighty God do make my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following, and first I Commend my Soul to God hoping for Eternal Salvation through the Merits of his Blessed Son Jesus Christ my Saviour, my Body to be Decently Interrd without Pomp by my

Executor Hereafter mentioned. Item I give and Bequeath unto my Loving Wife Mary Jenkins a Tract of Land Called Tuesdays Work Containing Twenty four acres during her Natural Life and after her Decease my Son Ignatius Jenkins and his Heirs for Ever. Item I give and Bequeath unto my Son Henry Jenkins one hundred and fifteen Acres part of a Tract called Salem to him and his Heirs for ever beginning at the Beginning Tree running with the Two first Lines untill a parallel Line Drawn w.th the given Line will Contain Said Number of Acres of said Land Called Salem. Item I give and Bequeath unto my Son William Jenkins all the remaining part of Said Tract of Land called Salem and his Heirs for Ever. Item I give and Bequeath unto my Son Ignatius Jenkins one hundred Acres of Land part of a Tract called St. Thomas: and one hundred Acres of Land part of a Tract called Truth and Trust where Elizabeth White formerly Lived and his Heirs for ever. Item I give and Bequeath unto my Son Ignatius Jenkins One hundred Acres of Land Called Pyes Hardship in Charles County and his Heirs for Ever. Item I give and Bequeath unto my Son Henry Jenkins one hundred and ninety Acres of Land part of a Tract Called Truth and Trust on the North side of Joseph Jenkins: Land being part of Said Tract and his Heirs for ever. Item I give and Bequeath unto my Son Henry Jenkins a Tract or parcel of Land on which my Quarter now stands being part of a Tract Called Truth and Trust Containing about Seventy Acres and also a Tract of Land Called Foxes Range Containing about Seventy Acres and his Heirs for Ever. Item I give and Bequeath unto my Wife Mary Jenkins Two Negroes One Negroe Man Called Ben and a Negro Woman called Nell. Item I give and Bequeath unto my Son Henry Jenkins Two Negroes one Called George and a Negro Girl called Peg. Item I give and Bequeath unto my Son Michael Jenkins one Negro Girl called Judith and a Negro Girl called Sarah. Item I give and Bequeath unto my Son Ignatius Jenkins a Negro Boy called Robert and a Negro Girl Hannah. Item I give and Bequeath unto my Son William Jenkins one Negro Girl called Susannah and a Negro Boy called Peter. Item I give and Bequeath unto my Son Thomas Courtney Jenkins one Negro Boy Called Mark and one thousand pounds of Tobacco. Item Item I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Jane Jenkins one Negro Woman Called Bec and a Negro Girl Called Bridget. Item I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Mary Hagan one

Negro Girl Called Tabitha — Item I give to my Grand Daughter Mary Anne Hagar one Cowand Calf. Item I give to my Son Joseph Jenkins five Shillings and no more of my Estate — Item I give unto my Son Ignatius Jenkins one more Negro Wom.n Called Cate. — my Will is that my Son Ignatius Jenkins Shall remain with his Mother untill he is the Age of Twenty Years and his Estate to Remain in his Said Mothers hands untill he is the age of Twenty as aforesaid. — my Will is that Michael Jenkins Live — with his Mother untill he is the Age of Twenty. my Will is that the remaining part of my Estate shall be Equally Divided between my Wife Mary Jenkins and the following Children. William Jenkins, Henry Jenkins, Michael Jenkins, Ignatius Jenkins and Jane Jenkins and Mary Hagar and I Constitute and appoint my Son Henry Jenkins my Sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and affixed my Seal this Twenty fourth Day of February 1755 — Signed Sealed and Declared by the Said William Jenkins to be his his Last Will and Testament Disannulling all other Will or Wills made by him from the Beginning of the World unto the date of these presents

In presence of us — Wm. Jenkins (Seal)

William Forney, John Dillon, Barnaby Roades, Thomas Wynn Taylor

On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus written, Viz.

St. Marys County S. March the 31st 1755 — Then John Dillon Barnaby Roades & Thomas Wynn Taylor three of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God Depose and Say that they Saw the Testator William Jenkins Sign the foregoing Will and heard him publish and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of Sound and Disposing Mind and Memory — and that they Subscribed their Respective Names as Witnesses to the Said Will in the presence of the Said Testator and at his Request. Sworn to before me

Thos. Aisquith Dr. Comty of St. Marys County

The Day and Year aforesd. the Deceased Widow made her Election and stands to the Will Certified by me

Thos. Aisquith Dr. Comty of St. Marys County

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In the Name of God Amen I Isaac Pavatt of St. Marys County of St. Gregories Hundred knowing that it is appointed for all Men once to Die and Considering the uncertainty of the Time To make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament in Manner and form following. First Bequeathing my Soul to Almighty God that gave it hoping through the Merits of my Blessed Saviour to receive Remission of all my Sins and my Body to be buried at the Discretion of my Executrix Hereafter named. Item I give and bequeath unto my Loving Wife Margaret Pavatt my three Sons viz: James Pavatt John Pavat and Isaac Pavat and my Will and Desire is that the afsd. three Children should be Instructed and brought up in the Church of England: also my Desire is that Thomas Richardson and Joseph White should be our Lookers for to See that my three Children be brought up as afsd. also my Desire is that Thomas Richardson be Joined with William Stephens in the Executorship of Mark Stephens and further my Will is that my Loving Wife Margaret Pavatt Should be my hole and Sole Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament in Behalf of her Self and my three Children In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my Hand and Seal this 9th of December 1754

Signed Sealed & Delivered in presents of — Isaac Pavatt (Seal)

Mary her mark White — J. Thomas

On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus Written — viz

St. Marys County ss — January 27th — 1755 Then Came Mary White & John Thomas the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being duly and solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God deposes and Say that they Saw the Testator Isaac Pavatt Sign the foregoing Will and heard him publish and declare the Same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the time of his So Doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of Sound and Disposing Mind and Memory —

Sworn to before me Thos. Reisquith Dep. Comty of St. Marys County

January 27 — 1755 then the Decease Widow made her Election and Stands to the Will Certified by me — Thos. Reisquith

3½ Sides Dep: Comty. of St. Marys County

In the Name of God Amen I Thomas Kerby of St. Marys County in the Province of Maryland being Sick and weak of Body but of perfect Sound Sence and Memory blessed be God for it, and Calling to mind the Uncertainty of this Life, do make this my Last Will and Testament — Revoking all other Will or Wills which have Heretofore by me been made — Imprimis I give and Bequeath my Soul into the hands of God Almighty who gave it me Hoping through the Merits of my blessed Redeemer Jesus Christ to receive full pardon and Remission of all my Sins: my Body I Commit to the Earth to be Decently Interred at the Discretion of my Wife Deborah Kerby and as for what Worldly Goods I am possessed with I give and Bequeath in Manner following — Item I give to my Dear and Loving Wife Deborah all my personal Estate viz: Horse, Hogs, Cattle and all my other Moveables (except what is hereafter nominated) during her Natural Life and after her Decease to be Equally Divided amongst my Seven Children as also the full use of one third part of my Land during the Natural Life of my said Wife Deborah: it is likewise my Desire that if my said Wife Deborah Kerby thinks Convenient to alter her Condition by Marriage that my Children Serve her till they arrive at the Age of Eighteen: but if She keeps Single my Said Children to serve her till they arrive at the Age of Twenty one Years: and I further Desire and it is my Will that my Said Wife Deborah be my whole and Sole Executrix — Item I give and Bequeath to my Loving Son Peter Kerby all that Parcel or Tract of Land Containing Sixty three Acres more or Less known by the name of Kerbys Lott bounding with Kerbys fortune Lying in St Marys County to him and his Heirs for Ever — Item I give to Joseph Collinson Yearly and Every Year for the Term of Seven Years Fifty Gallons of Cyder: provided he beats it and finds Casque to put it in and gives one Days Work upon my Wifes Land — Item I give and Bequeath to my Daughter Susannah Kerby a Cow named Molle Dark brown Colour: the Left Ear upper Bitted, and one Slitt, the Right Ear two Slitts together with all her Increase when She Comes to the Age of Sixteen Years — this I acknowledge to be my Last Will and Testament as Witness my hand and Seal this Twenty Seventh Day of July in the Year of our Lord God one thousand Seven hundred & Twenty five.

Signed Sealed & acknowledged by the above Thos. Kerby to be his Last Will and Testament — Thomas Kearby (Seal)

before us — John Shuermandine, Stephen [illegible], Robert Wiseman.

On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus Written — viz:
St. Marys County ss. Janry 12th — 1755 then Stephen Milburn one of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God Depose and Say that he saw the Testator Thomas Kirby Sign the foregoing Will and heard him publish and Declare the Same to be his Last Will and Testament — that at the Time of his So Doing he was to the best of their apprehension of Sound and Disposing Mind and memory and that he Subscribed his Respective Name as a Witness to the Said Will and at his Request and that he saw John Sherman=dine and Robert Wiseman Sign at the Same time as Witnesses to the Said Will in the presence of the Said Testator —

6 Sides — Sworn to before me Thos. Aisquith D. Commy of St. Marys County

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In the Name of God Amen I Gilbert Ireland of St. Marys County Gent. being of Sound & Disposing Mind and Memory do hereby make and Declare this to be my Testament and Last Will

1st First and principally I recommend my Soul into the hands of Almighty God humbly presuming to hope that through the Merits & Intercession of my Blessed Saviour Jesus Christ to obtain forgiveness of all my Sins & Offences & as to Such Worldly Goods as it pleased him to bestow on me I give and Dispose of them as follows To Wit

I give and Devise to my Well Beloved Wife Anne Ireland all my Dwelling Plantation being One hundred twenty four Acres of Land and also Twenty three Acres I purchased from Joseph Alvey & also Eighty three Acres I bo.t from Mr. Carbery & also Seventeen Acres I bo.t Mark. Bailey to have all the Said Lands to her during her Natural Life and after her Death I give my Said Dwelling Plantation & the Land I bo.t from Joseph Alvey unto my Second Son William Herbert Ireland & his Heirs for ever & the Eighty three Acres of Land I bo.t from Mr. Carbery & the Seventeen Acres I bo.t from Mark Brewer I give after my Said Wifes Death unto my Son Gilbert Ireland and his Heirs for ever. I also give unto my Said Son Gilbert Ireland fifty Acres of Land which Lies on this Side the Road that Leads from James Paine to Thomas Greaves and which is a part of James Land I bo.t from Mr. Carbery —

and also part of Same P Bo.^k from Said Thos Greaves which Land I give to my Said Gilbert and his Heirs for Ever — I give to my Eldest Daughter Anne Ireland my Plantation Lying near to Walter Davis's Called Charing Cross or Swillenham To her and her Heirs for Ever — I give to my Youngest Daughter Mary Ireland that Plantation I P Bo.^k from Evan Evans To her and her Heirs for ever. all the rest of my Lands I give to my Eldest Son John Ireland To him and his Heirs for Ever. I Will that all my Just Debts and funeral Charges be faithfully paid and Satisfied — I give to my Said Wife Anne Ireland Two fifth parts of my — Personale Estates and the other three fifth parts I give and Bequeath to be Equally Divided between my five Children herein before named — I hereby Constitute and appoint my Said Wife Executrix of this my Testament and Last Will and in Case of her Death During the Minority of all or any of my said Children I Hereby nominate and appoint Philip Key to be Executor of this my Will & to take into his Custody the Persons and Estates of Such of my Said Children as shall at the Time of my Said Wifes Death be under Age and in Witness of the Premises I have hereunto Set my hand & Seal this 17.th Day of January 1755

Signed Sealed published and Declared to be his Testament and Last Will in presence of — William Mc Williams, Jesse Craig, John Mills his + mark —

Gilb.^t Ireland (Seal)

I Desire that after my Death I may be buried in Chaptico Church Yard at the Distance of about three feet from the feet of my Late good friend Mr Ja.^s Dickson and that a Cheap black Marble Stone may be Sent for to Philadelphia wth a proper Inscription to be put over the Grave on Brick Work.

On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus Written — Viz. Saint Marys County March 6.th 1755 Then William Mc Williams, Jesse Craig & John Mills the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being Duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God depose and Say that they Saw the Testator Gilbert Ireland Sign the foregoing Will and heard him publish and Declare the Same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the Time of his So Doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of Sound and Disposing Mind and Memory and that they Subscribed their respective Names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Said Testator and at his Request Sworn to before me — Thos. Bigsith D Comm. of St Marys County

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In the Name of God Amen I John Allison of St Marys County being Sick and weak of Body but of perfect Sence and Memory thanks be to God for the Same do make this my last Will and Testament in in a Manner and form following Viz. I first give my Soul to Almighty God that gave it me and my Body to be Decently buried at the direction of my Ex^r Hereafter to be mentioned — Item my Will is that my Grand Son John Cole Son of my Daughter Margit Cole is to have one Shilling and not to have any other part of my Estate I likewise give to my Grand Daughter Ann Cole Daughter of my Daughter Margit Cole one Shilling and not to have any other part of my Estate I likewise give to my Grand Daughter Mary Cole Daughter of my Daughter Margit Cole one Shilling and no more of my Estate — Item I Will and Bequeath the third part of my Moveable Estate to my ever Beloved Wife Sarah and the Rest of my Estate to be Equally divided amongst my nine Children Viz. Thomas Joseph Jacob John Xavier Henry Cell Mary Elizabeth & George Allison And Lastly I Constitute and appoint my Well Beloved Wife Sarah my whole and Sole Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and affixed my Seal this 12th day of June 1754

In presence of us — John his X Allison Seal
Will: Morgan, Stephen Chelton, Tho: his I Batsell mark
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On the Back of the foregoing was thus Written
St Marys County S.S. April the 12th — 1755 Then Stephen Chelton & William Morgan two of the subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God Depose and Say that they Saw the Testator John Allison Sign the foregoing Will and heard him publish and Declare the Same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the time of his So Doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of Sound and Disposing Mind and Memory and that they Saw Thomas Batsell sign at the Same time as a Witness to the said Will in the presence of the Testator

The Day and Year above said the Deceased Widow made her Election and Stands to the Will Certified by me
Thos Disputh D Conny
= of St Marys County

Sworn before me. Thos Disputh D Conny
of St Marys County

Saint Marys County ss. In the Name of God Amen
The 21st Day of April Seventeen hundred fifty & five I Alexander
Ferguson of the County aforesd. being very Sick and weak in Body
but of perfect Mind and Memory thanks be given unto God therefore
Calling unto Mind the Mortality of my Body and knowing that it
is appointed for all Men once to Dye do make and ordain this
my Last Will and Testament. Imprimis and first of all I give
and recommend my Soul into the hand of God that gave it and my
Body I recommend to the Earth to be buried in Decent Christian
Burial at the Discretion of my Executors nothing doubting but
at the general Resurrection I shall receive again by the Mighty
power of God. and as touching Such Worldly Estate wherewith it
hath pleased God to bless me in this Life I give Demise and
Dispose of in manner and form following viz.
Item I give and Bequeath unto my dear and Loving Wife
Rebecca Ferguson all my Estate Real and Personal and my
Sole Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament Ratifying and
Confirming this and no other to be my Last Will and Testament
In Testimony Whereof I have hereunto Sett my hand and Seal the
Day and Year first above written.

Signed Sealed and Delivered in the Presence of Sd. Word Rebecca Ferguson Interlined before Sealed and Delivered
Richard his R mark Nokes. Thomas his T mark Jones, William Wilkins Lucas.

Alexander his E mark Ferguson (Seal)

On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus Written viz
St. Marys County ss. May the 10th 1755 Then Richard Nokes
and William Wilkins Lucas Two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the
foregoing Will being duly and Solemnly Sworn on the holy Evangelist
of Almighty God Depose and Say that they Saw the Testator Alexander
Ferguson Sign the foregoing Will and heard him publish and declare
the same to be his Last Will and Testament. that at the Time of his
So Doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of Sound and
Disposing Mind and Memory and that they Subscribed their Respective
Names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Sd Testator
and at his Request And that they Thomas Jones Sign at the same as a
Witness to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator & at his request
The Day and Year aforesaid the Sworn to Before me / Tho/ Aisquith D Commy
of St Marys County

Decedents Widow made her Election and stands
Admitted to the Will Certified by me - Tho/ Aisquith D Commy
of Saint Marys County

390 In the Name of God Amen I James Thompson of St Marys County in the Province of Maryland Gent. being Sick of Body but of good Sound and perfect Mind and Memory praised be God therefore and knowing that all flesh must yield unto Death when it shall please God to call do make this my Last Will and Testament in Manner and form following that is to Say first and principally I Recommend my Soul into the hands of Almighty God who gave it in full and Certain Hope of the Resurrection unto Eternal Life through the Merits of my Ever blessed Saviour Jesus Christ and my Body to the Earth to be Decently Interred according to the Discretion of my Executors herein after named. and as to Such Worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased Almighty God to Bless me I give and Dispose thereof in Manner and form following that is to Say - Item I give Devise and Bequeath unto my beloved Son Francis Thompson and to his Heirs and Assigns for ever all that piece or parcel of Land or Plantation known by the name of Hardfortune Lying in St Marys County aforesaid Containing by Estimation One hundred Acres be the same more or Less to the only Use and behoof of him the said Francis Thompson his Heirs and Assigns for Ever Item I give Devise and Bequeath unto my Grand Son Charles Thompson and to his Heirs and Assigns for Ever all that piece or parcel of Land or Plantation known by the Name of Small Hope on which I now Live Containing by Estimation One hundred Acres be the same more or Less. To the only Use and Behoof of him the Said Charles Thompson his Heirs and Assigns for Ever - Item I give Devise and Bequeath unto my Son Francis Thompson and to my Grandson Charles Thompson and to their Heirs and Assigns a piece or parcel of Land known by the name of Landing Neck and adjoining to the Before mentioned Land Called Small Hope which piece of Land was in the Year one thousand Seven hundred and thirty four given unto me by Deed of Gift and properly Executed by John Baptis Carberry the then Proper owner and Laid out for fifteen acres more or Less bulled and Bounded as therein particularly mentioned Relation being thereunto had it may and doth more fully and doth more fully and at Large appear.. to be Equally divided between the said Francis Thompson and Charles Thompson and their Heirs and Assigns Subject nevertheless to the following Proviso and Condition that is to Say that if in Case the Said Charles Thompson his Heirs and Assigns Shall peaceably and Quietly Suffer-

and permit the Said Francis Thompson his Heirs and Assigns to make all Such use as he or they may have occasion of, of all Such Land as Lies between as small Chin Issuing out of Thomas Thomas's Creek and his the said Francis Thompsons own proper Land Containing about Six Acres be the same more or Less and which six acres Acres Did formerly belong to the Said Francis Thompson but taken away by a new Survey and that without the Let Suit hindrance or Molestation of him the Said Charles Thompson his Heirs or Assigns that then and in Such Case I give Devise and Bequeath one Half of the Landing Neck aforesaid unto him the Said Charles Thompson and to his Heirs and Assigns for Ever but in Case the Said Charles Thompson his Heirs and Assigns or any or either of them shall hinder and Molest him the Said Francis Thompson his Heirs or Assigns in Enjoying and making use of the Said Six Acres of Land as aforesaid, then and Such Case my Will is and I do hereby give Devise and Bequeath the Who of the Said Landing Neck Containing fifteen Acres more or Less unto him the Said Francis Thompson and to his Heirs and Assigns to the only use and Behoof of him the Said Francis Thompson his Heirs and Assigns forever Item my Will and mind is that my Daughter in Law Ann Thompson take upon her the Administration of and Concerning the Estate of her Late Husband James Thompson Deceased to whom I was Executor Item I give and Bequeath my Two Negroes Simon and Betty between Francis Thompson and Ann Thompson both of which are to abide and Continue where they now are and to be taken Care of Item all the rest Residue and Remainder of my Estate of what kind, Nature or Quality whatsoever I give and Bequeath to be Equally Divided between my Daughter in Law Ann Thompson and my Son Francis Thompson — Lastly I do hereby nominate Constitute and appoint my Said Son Francis Thompson and my Said Daughter in Law Ann Thompson Joint Executors of this my Last Will and Testament hereby revoking disannulling and making void all former or other Will or Wills by me heretofore made and only ratifying and Confirming this to be my Last Will and Testament in Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and affixed my Seal this Eleventh Day of March in the Year of our Lord God One thousand Seven hundred and fifty five

Francis Thompson (Seal)

Signed Sealed published and declared as and for the Last Will and Testament of the Testator in the presence of us who have Subscribed our Names as Witnesses in the presence of the Testator and of Each other.

Joshua Millard, John Purton, Anthony Roberts.

On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus written — viz:—

Maryland St. Marys County to Wit. Saving to my Heirs Exors & Admrs all my Right to the Lands & Tenements Goods and Chattels to me in the Within Will devised by my Hon.d Father James Thompson Decease.d I do hereby refuse to take upon me the burthen of the Executorship of his said Estate & absolutely renounce the Same and Desire that the Hon.ble the Commissarys General or their Deputy in St. Marys County may grant Letters Testamentary of the said Estate unto Mrs Anne Thompson the other Execr therein named for doing which this shall be a sufficient Warrant and Authority given under my hand & Seal this 28 April 1755

Sealed and Delivered in presence of — Fran.s Thompson (Seal)

Philip Key — Jeremiah Gordon

St. Marys County St. May ye 16th 1755 Then Joshua Millard John Turton and Anthony Roberts the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being duly and solemnly sworn on the holy Evangelist of Almighty God depose and say that they saw the Testator James Thompson sign the foregoing Will and heard him publish and Declare the Same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the time of his so Doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of Sound and Disposing Mind and Memory & that they Subscribed their Respective names as Witnesses to the Said Will in the presence of the Said Testator and at his Request

11 Sides — Sworn to before Thos Disquith Comry of St. Marys County

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In the Name of God Amen I Edward Worrell of Kent County in the Province of Maryland being Sick and weak of Body but of Sound and perfect Mind and Memory and Calling to Mind that it is appointed for all Men once to Die do ordain this my Last Will and Testament in Manner and form following — first and principally I give my Soul to Almighty God who gave it Trusting in the merits of my Blessed Savior and my Body to the Earth to be buried in a Christian like manner Item I give and Bequeath unto my Son Edward my Watch and all my Wearing Apparel — I do appoint my Brother in Law Thomas Wilkins my wholy and Sole Executor of this my Will Signed and published in the presence of } Edward Worrell (Seal)

Jo: Wickes — Stephen his mark Cannady — Elizabeth Dyer

On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus Written viz —

Kent County ss. On the 22d Day of April Anno Dom. 1755 Came Joseph Wickes and Stephen Cannaday Two of the subscribing Witnesses to the within written Will of Edward Worrell before me the Subscriber of being Sworn on the holy Evangells Deposed and Declared as also Elizabeth Dyer the other subscribing Witness being one of the People Called Quakers on her Solemn Affirmation to her Admi=
=nistred also Declared and affirmed that they severally Saw the Said Testator Edward Worrell Sign and Seal the within written Will and heard him publish and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the Time of his So doing he was to the best of their Knowledge of Sound & Disposing mind and memory that they Sub=
=scribed their Respective names as Witnesses to the Same Will in the presence of the Said Testator at his request.

3 Sides

affirmed & Sworn before me
Joseph Nicholson Dep. Comy
Kent County

In the Name of God Amen the Seventh Day of april seventeen hundred fifty and five I Douglass Richardson of Kent County in the Province of Maryland being Sick and weak in Body but of Sound Dis=
=posing Memory thanks be to Almighty God and calling to mind the uncertain Estate of this Transitory Life and that all flesh must yield unto Death when it shall please God to Call do make and Declare this to be my Last Will and Testament in Manner and form following and for the settling of my temporal Estate as it hath pleased God to Bestow upon me I do ordain and Dispose of the same in Manner & form following Imprimis I give and Bequeath to Rachel the youngest Daughter of Christian Woodland my Dwelling Plantation to her and her Heirs for Ever and in Case the aforesaid Rachel Shall Die without Issue Lawfully Begotten then my aforesaid Plantation to revert to my Nephew William Houston To him and his Heirs for Ever - Item I give to my Brother Martha Richardson Ten pounds Currency Like=
=wise I give to my Sister Elizabeth Grant one Horse called Jackey Likewise to my aforesaid Nephew William Houston Ten pounds Currency together with one Colt called Mountain with my Bridle and saddle together with my Pistols and Holsters to them and their Heirs for Ever - Item I give and Bequeath to Mary Woodland one Horse Called Ranger To her and her Heirs for Ever - Item tis my Will that after my Just Debts and Legacies are paid that the remaining part of my personal Estate

On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus written — viz:

Maryland St Marys County To Wit. Saving to my Heirs Exrs & Admrs all my Right to the Lands & Tenements Goods and Chattels to me in the Within Will devised by my Hon.d Father James Thompson Deceased. I do hereby refuse to take upon me the burthen of the Executorship of his said Estate & absolutely renounce the same and Desire that the Hon.ble the Commissarys General or their Deputy in St Marys County may grant Letters Testamentary of the said Estate unto Mrs Anne Thompson the other Executrix therein named for doing which this shall be a sufficient Warrant and Authority given under my hand & Seal this 28 April 1755

Sealed and Delivered in presence of — Fran.s Thompson (Seal)

Philip Hoy — Jeremiah Gordon

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11 Sides — Sworn to before Thos Disputto Comy of St Marys County

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In the Name of God Amen I Edward Worrell of Kent County in the Province of Maryland being Sick and weak of Body but of Sound and perfect Mind and Memory and Calling to Mind that it is appointed for all Men once to Die do ordain this my Last Will and Testament in Manner and form following — first and principally I give my Soul to Almighty God who gave it Trusting in the merits of my Blessed Savior and my Body to the Earth to be buried in a Christian like manner Item I give and Bequeath unto my Son Edward my Watch and Ball buy Wearing Apparel. I also appoint my Brother in Law Thomas Wilkins my wholy and Sole Executor of this my Will

Signed and published in the presence of } Edward Worrell (Seal)

Jo: Wickes — Stephen his mark Cannady — Elizabeth Dyer

On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus Written viz —

Kent County ss. On the 22d Day of April Anno Dom. 1755 Came Joseph Wickes and Stephen Cannaday Two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within written Will of Edward Worrell before me the Subscriber of being Sworn on the holy Evangells Deposed and Declared as also Elizabeth Dyer the other Subscribing Witness being one of the People Called Quakers on her Solemn Affirmation to her admi=nistred also Declared and affirmed that they Severally Saw the said Testator Edward Worrell Sign and Seal the within written Will and heard him publish and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the Time of his So Doing he was to the best of their Knowledge of Sound & Disposing mind and memory that they Sub=scribed their Respective names as Witnesses to the Same Will in the presence of the Said Testator at his request.

3 Sides

affirmed & Sworn before me
Joseph Nicholson Dep. Comy
Kent County

In the Name of God Amen the Seventh Day of April Seventeen hundred fifty and five I Douglas Richardson of Kent County in the Province of Maryland being Sick and weak in Body but of Sound Dis=posing Memory thanks be to Almighty God and calling to mind the uncertain Estate of this Transitory Life and that all flesh must yield unto Death when it shall please God to Call do make and Declare this to be my Last Will and Testament in Manner and form following and for the settling of my temporal Estate as it hath pleased God to Bestow upon me I do ordain and Dispose of the same in Manner & form following. Imprimis I give and Bequeath to Rachel the youngest Daughter of Christian Woodland my Dwelling Plantation to her and her Heirs for Ever and in case she the aforesaid Rachel Shall Die without Issue Lawfully Begotten then my aforesaid Plantation to remain to my Nephew William Houston To him and his Heirs for Ever - Item I give to my Brother Martha Richardson Ten pounds Currency Like=wise I give to my Sister Elizabeth Grant one Horse called Jackey Likewise to my aforesaid Nephew William Houston Ten pounds Currency together with one Colt called Mountain with my Bridle and Saddle together with my Pistols and Holsters to them and their Heirs for Ever - Item I give and Bequeath to Mary Woodland one Horse Called Ranger To her and her Heirs for Ever - Item It is my Will that after my Just Debts and Legacies are paid that the remaining part of my personal Estate

394 shall remain to Christina Woodland and her Daughter Rachel that is
one third to the aforesaid Christina and the other Two thirds to her
aforesaid Daughter Rachel to them and their Heirs for Ever.
Item I give to my aforesaid Sister Elizabeth Grant five pounds
Currency to her and her Heirs for Ever Lastly I do by these presents
Constitute and appoint Mr John Grant my Whole and Sole Executor
to Execute this my Last Will and Testament hereby revoking all
other Wills at any time heretofore by me made Lis my Will that
Mr John Grant nor no other person shall Interrupt Molest or
Debarr the aforesaid Miss Christina Woodland from Living on
And Injoying any Plantation During her natural Life in Witness
Whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal the day and Year
above written

Signed Seal'd pronounced and Declared
by the Testator to be his Last Will &
Testament which is wrote on one Sheet
of Paper in the presence of

Douglas Richardson (Seal)

Jackson his ✠ Griffith, Mary her M Woodward, Alex: Glenn

On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus written — viz:—
Kent County Ss! on the 26th day of April 1755 Jackson Griffith
Mary Woodward and Alexander Glenn Subscribing Witnesses to the
within written Will being duly Sworn on the holy Evangels
Depose and Declare that they Severally saw the Testator Douglass
Richardson within named Sign and Seal the same Will and heard
him publish and Declare the same to be his Last Will and
Testament that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their
knowledge of Sound and Disposing Mind and Memory and that they
Subscribed their Respective Names as Evidences to the Same Will
in the presence of the Testator and at his Request — This Done
in the presence of the Heir at Law Mathew Richardson who made no
objection

Sworn before Joseph Nicholson
Deputy Comry Kt County

Sir

Being appointed Executor of the Last Will and Testament of Douglass
Richardson I do hereby signify to you that I do not think proper to accept
of the Executorship but Relinquish the same in favour of William
Woodland Son of Blackledge

John Grant

To Mr Joseph Nicholson
Deptty Comry Kt County
April 26: 1755

365 In the Name of God Amen I Mary Worrell of Sussex County
Widow being Sick and weak of Body but of Sound and Disposing Mind and
Memory make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament in Manner
following — First I give and Devise to my Sons William Worrell
and Simon Worrell all my Tract of Land Lying in Sussex County sd
upon the head of Ratcliff Cross Creek called Wilmers Farm Containing
five hundred Acres of Land with the Appurtenances to be Equally divided
between them in Quantity by a North North West Line running through
the Middle of the said Tract to have and to hold the East north East
Moiety of the said Land to my Son William and his Heirs and
Assigns for ever & the West South West Moiety to my Son Simon and
his Heirs and Assigns for Ever — I do give and Bequeath to my
Son Edward Worrell my mourning Ring and one best Iron Pot Hook
also I give and Bequeath to my Daughter Rebecca Sutton my Negro
Girl Nan and my Riding Horse Saddle and Bridle — also I
give all my Wearing Cloaths but such as I shall hereafter particu=
=larly mention to be Equally Divided between my two Daughters
Rebecca Sutton and Ann Tilden Also I give to my Daughter Ann
Tilden my Silver Tea Spoons Tongs and Strainer — also I give
to my Son William Worrell or rather Confirm to him my Gift already
made to him of my Negro Boy called Coffee — also I give to my grand=
=Daughter Mary Bingold the Feather Bed and furniture & Bed Cloaths
that was my Daughter Susannahs and also my Black Walnut Little
Table in my Room my Silk of Blue Sea Ward and my Velvet Hood
that was my Daughter Susannahs and my Spotted Cow and her Calf
and my Little Black Stock and also a Linnen Wheel that was my
Daughter Susannahs also I give to my Grand Daughter Mary Sutton
my own Velvet Hood and my Black Silk Bonnett to my Grand Daughter
Rebecca Sutton — also I give & bequeath to my Son Simon Worrell
my Negro Man Coffee my Negro Woman Silvia and her two Children
Peter and Hannah — he paying my Son Joseph Twenty pounds Current
Money in Consideration of his Negroes now left him being of more
value than those I Leave to my Son Joseph, I also give to my said
Son Simon my Mare Called Pidlore and her Colt and also my Bedstead
and Bed Cloaths that I Lye on and my great Iron Pot & Pot Hooks
one Iron Pot Rack and Spitt and also the Chest in my Room and the
White Chest in the Kitchen and my Walnut Desk and also my
Household Goods now at his House that was my Daughter Susannahs

397 Subscribing Witness within named (who is since Dead) Subscribed their Respective Names as Witnesses to the same Will in the presence of and at the Request of the Said Testator; and they further make oath that they once before appeared before Mr James Calder then Deputy Comty of Kent County and made Oath to the Same purpose as above and at that Time Margaret Elliot the other Witness was Living and present and also made Oath to her being a Witness in the manner as above and also that Edward Worrell the Heir at Law had notice of the Probate of the Said Will and Said he had no objections thereto Edward Worrell is now dead and his Eldest Son is a Minor under age

10 Sides

Sworn before Joseph Nicholson D Comty
K. County

Ex: Chester Town in Maryland ss:

I James Calder of Chester Town att attorney at Law being in good health and of Sound Mind & Memory do make this my last Will and Testament as followeth viz:

Imprs I give and devise unto my Alexander Calder all that parcel of Land in Kent County containing one hundred & Eighty one Acres more or Less which I bought of Arthur Foreman being part of a Tract of Land Called Dallington and also that parcel of Land lying Contiguous to Dallington containing about one hundred Acres which I purchased of Foreman called Swestern and also So much of the Land Called Viaven as lies to the Eastward of the Road leading from the Main Road to the Plantation lately of George Shower where Thomas Crow now lives, I mean So much thereof to the Eastward of the same Road as lyes Contiguous to my part of Swestern aforesd.

I also give and Devise unto my Said Son, Alexander my Water Lott in Chester Town Distinguished by the Number Nine to have and to hold the same Several parcels of Land and Water Lott so as aforesd Devised unto my Son Alexander unto him and his Heirs for Ever.

Item. I give and devise unto my Daughter Elizabeth all that Tract of Land Called Viaven Resurveyed which I purchased of Robert Roberts Excepting So much thereof as I have above Devised to my Son Alexander

I also give and Devise to my Said Daughter that water Lott in Chester-town aforesaid known by Number Ten adjoining to the aforesaid Lot given to my Son Alexander to have the Said Devised parcel of Land (Except as above Excepted)

and also my Horse Called Prince - I also give and bequeath to my Son Joseph Worrell my old Negro Man called Jack my Negro Woman Called Dinah, and her Two Children, Sabina and Minta and my Servant Girl Called Rachel, and also my Horses Folly and Knight & Mares Blaze and Fancy, and my Desk that was Daughter Susannahs and my Book Kettle & all the rest of my Iron Pots and Pot Racks & grid Iron & my Corner Cupboard and Tea Chest and Set of white Tea Ware and Walnut round Table and Red Chest in the Kitchen and also my Cart and Oxen and my new Feather Bed Bolster & Pillows & bed Cotton and after my just Debts and funeral Expences paid I give all the Rest and Residue of my Personal Estate to my Two Sons Simon and Joseph - to be Equally divided between them and my meaning and Intention is that what I have now given and Bequeathed to my said Children shall be also taken and Accounted by them in full for all that may be Due to them or they Can or may Claim of their Fathers Personal Estate and Lastly I make ordain Constitute & appoint my Loving Son Simon Worrell my whole and Sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament. Hereby revoking all other Will or Wills by me heretofore made = In Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and Seal this Eighth Day of October Anno Dom - 1753

Signed, Sealed published and Declared to be the Last Will and Testament of the Said Mary Worrell in presence of us who sign as Witnesses thereto in her presence & at her Request

Mary her X mark Worrell (Seal)

Thos Ringold, Anna Maria Ringold, Margaret her X mark Elliott

On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus Written — Viz:

Kent County ss. On the 16. Day of May 1755 Thomas Ringold and Anna Maria Ringold two of the subscribing Witnesses to the within written Will of Mary Worrell the Testator within named being sworn on the Holy Evangils Deposed and Declared that they saw the said Testator sign and seal the Same Will and heard her publish and Declare the same to be her Last Will & Testament that at the Time of her so Doing She was to the best of their Apprehensions of Sound and Disposing mind and memory and that they ~~[illegible]~~ the said Deponents together with Margaret Elliot the other

and Water Lott unto my said Daughter and her Heirs for Ever.
Item I give and Devise unto my said Son Alexander and Daughter
Elizabeth that Lot of Land in Chester Town afd. Known by Number
fifteen Lying opposite to the afd. Water Lotts to them above De=
=vised to hold to them and their Heirs to be Equally Divided between
them, each to have that Moiety Lying opposite to their Water Lotts
as afd. Devised. Item I give and Devise unto my Daughter
Sarah Wife of James Nichols and to Anne my Youngest
Daughter all that Tract of Land Lying near the Head of
Harbour Creek in Kent County afd. Called Howards Gift Containing
three hundred Acres more or Less to hold to them my said
Daughters Sarah and Anne and their Heires for ever in Tenan=
=cy. Item. I give and Devise unto my afd. Daughter Anne
the Water Lott in Chester Town afd. whereon George Garnett lives
heretofore Mortgaged to Richard Bennett Esqr and by him amongst
others Devised to me being numbered fourteen to hold unto my
said Daughter Anne and her Heires for ever.
Whereas my Wife has for sometime past and still doth Labour
under a Disorder which has rendered her incapable of taking the
usual Care of her family affaires and more so of the Execution of
this my Will. I do therefore hereby Constitute and appoint my Son
James Calder Executor of this my said Will and Testament under
the Conditions, Restrictions and Limitations hereafter Mentioned &
not otherways that is to say that he shall in all things relating
to the Execution of my said Will & to my Estate Real and
Personal, apply to, take, follow and strictly pursue the Advice
ding and Directions of my friends Mr John Wallace Mr
Redingfield Hands, Mr Charles Browne Doctor William Murray
my Brother in Law and Mr James Nichols or of the Majority
of them or of the Survivors of them which said Persons I do hereby
Constitute Trustees to See this my Will duly Executed according
to the true Intent thereof and Earnestly Request for their former
friendship that they will accept of the Same Trust, as possibly
the Execution of my Will may be at a time when my Son will
be young and unexperienced in the World. and I hereby declare it
to be my Express Will and Desire that if at any time my Son
should neglect to apply for, or after application refuse or Neglect to

pursue and strictly to follow the Advice and Directions of my said friends or of the Majority of them or the survivors of them then and in any such Case on their Application to the Commissary General for the Time being the Letters Testimentary granted to my Son shall be revoked and Cancelled and Administration on this my Will granted to such other person or Persons as my said friends or the Majority of them or the survivors of them shall Nominate and appoint provided always that such Administrator shall be subject to the Advice and Direction of my said Friends in the same manner as is before Directed with regard to my Son. Item — It is my Will and I do hereby order and direct that my Two Plantations near Chester Town as above Devised to my Son Alexander and Daughter Elizabeth with the Negroes, Major, Yorke, Roger Jack, Cuff and Charles and the Negro Woman Dinah, and all the Cattle Hogs, Sheep, poultry plow and Cart Horses and all Utensils belonging to and used on the said Plantations that shall be thereon at the time of my Death shall continue in the hands of my Executor or of such other person or persons as my friends afd or the Majority of them or the survivors of them shall Direct and appoint, untill my Son Alexander shall be of the Age of Twenty one years to the Intent that the produce and proceeds arrising therefrom Either by making Crops therewith or Letting the same out at Yearly Rent as my Executor or other person or persons afd with the Advice and Direction of my friends afd. shall think most proper shall be applied as follows that is to say, one third part thereof to my Wife for the Term afd if she shall so Long Live and the other two third parts for the Maintenance Support and Education of my three younger Children Alexander Elizabeth and Anne or the survivors of them and if my Wife shall die in that Time then my Will is that the same produce and proceeds be applied as afd., that is all of it, to the use of my said three younger Children as afd. preserving Still the Original Stock of Cattle Horses Hogs and sheep, and it is my Will and I do hereby order and direct that when my said Son Alexander shall arrive at the age of Twenty one years, then the said Plantations shall go as herein before devised to my Son Alexander and Daughter Elizabeth Respectively and that the Negroes afd. on the said Plantations or the then survivors of them together with the flock of Cattle, Horses, Sheep and Hogs that shall be then remaining thereon shall then and not before be appraised and Distributed Between all my Children that shall be then living

provided always and it is my Express Will and Desire that no waste in the mean time shall be Committed on the Same Plantations nor any more Ground Cleared than for the necessary Support of the Plantations and what shall be hereafter hereby Directed.

Item — I give and Bequeath to my Wife Katharen afd. the North End of my Dwelling House in Chester Town afd. from the Passage Northward with the Kitchin thereto Adjoining & meat House and one half the Garden to hold to her while she shall think fit to Live therein Single and unmarried, and the other part of the same house next the River with my office & Stable and the other half of the Garden I give during that time to my Son James afd. the passage in the same House with the Yard and well to be in Common betwixt them — And if at any time during my said Wifes Living Single there my Said Son James should have a family or otherways should have occasion for the whole House and out Houses afd. then my Will is that he shall have the Same on his Building and finishing a Convenient House on the other End of the Lott on Main Street with Two Rooms on a floor and a Kitchin adjoyning such as my friends and Trustees afd. or the Majority of them or the Survivors of them shall approve of, for my Said Wife to Live in which She shall hold as afd. with half the Garden. And on the Death of my Said Wife, her Marriage or Removal from the Same Lott of Land being Numbered Seventy Seven I do hereby give and Devise the Same Lott of Land with the Houses & Appurtenances thereto belonging unto my Said Son James to hold to him and his Heirs for Ever. Item I give and Bequeath to my Son James all my Law Books, to my Wife the Negro Woman Celia and Candis my Chaise and Chaise Horse. I give to my Said Son James my Negro Girl Joan, to my Son Alexander my Negro Boy Valentine, to my Daughter Elizabeth my Negro Girl Sib and to my Daughter Anne my Negro Girl named Lidia. — Item — It is my Will that whoever shall possess my two Plantations afd. devised to my Son Alex=ander and Daughter Elizabeth from the Time of my Death, untill my said Son comes to full Age as afd. with the Negroes afd. thereon, shall furnish my Said Wife during that Time She Living Single in...

Chester Town with Twenty Cords of Good Firewood yearly from time to time to be Cut Convenient for her Chimneys and Carted and Laid Down at her Gate before the Last Day of November Every Year and that if the same Plantations Negroes and Stock shall be Either Rented or placed under an Overseer this shall always be a Clause of the Agreement with such Tenant or Overseer. not Doubting but my Son and Daughter Alexander & Elizabeth when they Come into the possession of the same Lands will assist their Mother if needfull in this Respect. Item — It is my Will and Desire that after appraisement of my Household Goods & furniture such part thereof as shall be Convenient and necessary for furnishing that part of my House assd. allotted to my Wife be by my Trustees afd. or the Majority of them or the Survivors of them allotted & by my Executor Delivered to my Wife not Exceeding one third in value of the whole or Lefs if they shall think fit, to be by her used while she Lives single in Chester Town, and on her Death, Marriage or Removal then the same or so much thereof as shall remain unworn out to be Divided & Disposed of in Manner as hereafter Directed as to the Residuary part of my Personal Estate. — Item as to all the Residue of my Personal Estate not herein before bequeathed or applied, my Will is and I Desire the same may be Disposed of as followeth that is to say that my Houshold Furniture, Plate & other Goods & Chattels together with what Sterling Money I may have in England or Elsewhere, soon as Conveniently Can be Done after my Decease may be Sold to best Advantage & Converted into Current Money of this Province and that of the money arising therefrom together with what money I may have at the Time of my death by me or in outstanding Debts one full sixth part be paid to my Daughter Sarah Nicols if she shall be then alive, or if she be dead then to such Child or Children of her Body as shall be Living at the Time of my Death. and as to the other five parts thereof my Will and Desire is that the same be Let out at Interest on Bonds or other Good Securities as my Executor with the Consent & direction of my Friends and Trustees afd. or the Majority of them or survivors of them shall think meet and that the yearly Interest arising therefrom shall be applied and paid as followeth that is to say one fifth part thereof to my Wife yearly for her further Support and Maintenance During

unmarried and the other four (fifth) parts of the same Interest to be Divided Equally and applied to the Support Maintenance and Education of my Children James, Alexander, Elizabeth, and Anne. and that the said four fifth parts of the said Original Stock be Equally Divided between my said four Children Last named and paid to them when they shall arrive at the Respective Ages following — that is the Boys to Twenty four Years & the Girls to Sixteen Years and that on the Death or Marriage of my Wife the other fifth part afd. whereof the Interest is given as above to her be Divided Equally amongst all my Children who shall be then alive, and if any of my Children shall be then Dead having Left a Child or Children then such Childs part to go to the Child or Children so Left. — It is my Will that all Bonds and other Securities to be taken for the money afd. be in such name or Names and in every other Respect according to the Direction & Approbation of my friends and Trustees afd. the Majority of them or of the survivors of them and to be Lodged in such hands as they shall Direct. In Testimony Whereof I have hereunto Set my Hand and Seal this 25th Day of March Anno Dominie 1752

Signed Sealed published and Declared by the Testator afd. to be his Last Will and Testament in the presence of us who subscribe our names as Witnesses thereto in his presence and at his Request { Wm. Carmichael. Ch: Browne — Geo: Milligan — John Bracco —

Ja: Calder (Seal)

On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus written — viz —

Kent County ss. On the twenty Second Day of April Anno Dom 1755 William Carmichall & George Milligan two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within written Will of James Calder the Testator within named being Duly Sworn on the holy Evangils Deposed and Declared that they saw the said Testator James Calder sign and seal the Same Will and heard him publish and Declare the Same to be his Last Will & Testament that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Knowledge and apprehension of Sound and Disposing Mind and Memory and that they the said Deponents together with Charles Brown & John Bracco

the other Two subscribing Witnesses within named, subscribed their Respective Names as Witnesses to the same Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his Request this Done in the presence of James Calder Heir at Law of the Testator who made no objection thereto — Sworn before Joseph Nicholson D. Comry Kent County

Be it Remembered that on the 8th day of May in the Year of our Lord Seventeen hundred & fifty five I Cattrine Calder of Kent County Widow of James Calder Lately Deceased do come before Joseph Nicholson Gentleman Deputy Commissary of Kent County afd. and there before the said Deputy Commissary do make my Election to have my thirds of my Said Husbands Personal Estate & do hereby Release the Devise by him made to me of any part of either his personal or Real Estate & I do hereby Declare that as to my Said Husbands Real Estate I make my Election to accept of take and abide by my Dower or third part thereof and choose to take the same rather than the Devise made me by my Said Hus= = bands Will and as a full Recompence thereof, In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand the Day and year above

Kath. Calder

Be it remembered that on the Eighth Day of May 1755 — Katharine Calder Widow of James Calder of Kent County Decd Came before me and made her Election of both Real & personal Estate as Within Expressed — Joseph Nicholson D. Comry Kent County

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I Andrew Willbie being Sick and weak in body but of Sound and perfect Memory thanks be to Almighty God doth a point this my Last Will and Testament in Baring Dat the 19 Day of May in the Year one thousand Seven hundred forty nine removing all former Wills by me made and this and no other to be my Last Will and Testament in Witing baring Datt the 19 Day of may 1749 — Item first I give and Bequeath my Soul to Almyty God that gave it and my Body to the Earth to be buried in a Clean and Decent Manner at the Discretion of my Excecutors Item I give and Bequeath to my Son William Willbie my Plantation where I now Dwell and all the Land thereto belonging to him and his Ares for Ever Called by the Name of Newfoundland. — Item I give and Bequeath to my three youngest Son Six Head of Breading Cattle

and one Mare and Colt to be Equilly Devided between them —
Item I give and Bequeath to my Daughter Mary Willibie my
Lomb and all the Tackler belonging to the said Lombe.
Item I give and Bequeat to my Son John Willibie one Sheller
Starlen and now more — I Leave my Dear and Loving Wife —
Anne Willibie and my Son William Willibie my hole and Excetor
of this my Last Will and Testament. bearing Date ye. 19 Day of
May 1749

test Jo. Alford. Rutter Lawrence — Andrew A Willibe
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George Lawrence

On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus written — viz.
On the 24th Day of March Anno Dom. 1755 Joseph Alford and
Rutter Lawrence two of the subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing
Will being duly and Solemnly Sworn on the holy Evangels of
Almighty God Depose and Say that they Saw the Testator Andrew
Willoughby Sign the aforegoing Will and heard him publish and
Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the
Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of
Sound and Disposing Mind and Memory and that they Subscribed
their Respective names as Witnesses to the Same together with
the other Subscribing Witness to the said in the presence of the
said Testator and at his request which same Oath was taken by the
said Witnesses after due Notice being given to the Heir at Law
who did not appear nor make any Objection to the probat of the
A Dis same Will — Certified Jam. Auld Com D Cotes

In the Name of God Amen. I Christofer Glass of
Worcester County and Province of Maryland Planter being in a
Sick and weak Condition but being of perfect Mind & Memory
thanks be to God therefore but Calling to Mind the mortality of
my Body & that it is appointed for all Men once to Die do
Make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament and —
Principally and first of all I Recommend my Soul into the
Hands of God that gave it and as touching what Worldly Estate ...
wherewith hath been pleased God to bless me I give and Dispose
of in the Manner and form following .. viz. I give and Bequeath
unto my Sons. John Glass. John Glass. Levi Glass & Mary Sharply
my Daughter one Shilling Sterling Money of Great Britain .....

Item I Desire my Land may be sold by my Executors for money meaning the Land whereon I Live in Worcester County near the Trap Town & the Money Equally Divided between my Daughters Parthenah Townsend, Rachel Glass & my Grand Son John Jenkeson Item I give and Bequeath unto my Son Christopher Glass Junr — Rebecker Jenkeson Rachel Glass, Leah Glass, Parthenah Townsend all my Movable Estate to be Equally Divided among them Mentioned in this — Item I Desire that my Son Christopher Glass & Jesse Jenkeson may make over one Hundre Acres of Land Lying in Worcester County in Maryland unto John Do= =nelson of Accomack County and make a Title in my name which his father Bought of me and paid for which said Land Lying on Corkers Creek I also give and Bequeath unto him the said John Donelson my Beloved friend. Lastly I Leave Jesse Jenkeson & John Donelson of Acc. County my whole and sole Executors to this my Last Will and Testament Revoking all other Wills & Testaments heretofore or any time before made by me Confirming this and no other to be my Last Will and Testament.

Christ. Glass (Seal)

Signed Sealed Pronounced & Declared in the presence of

Alexr Stockly Junr Stephen his + mark Fisher Isaac Jester

On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus Written viz. April 18 – 1755 Came Alexander Stockly, Stephen Fisher and Jester the subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made Oath on the holy Avengelis of Almighty God that they saw the Testator Christopher Glass Sign Seal and heard him publish Pronounce and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Tes= =ament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of a Sound Disposing Mind and Memory and that they subscribed their Names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request —

Before Benton Harris
D Comty of Wor Co.

4 1/2 Sides

In the Name of God Amen. The Thirteenth Day of October in the Year of our Lord One thousand Seven hundred and fifty four I Ambrose White of Worcester County in the Province of Maryland Planter being Sick and weak in Body but in perfect Mind and Memory thanks be given to God therefore Calling to Mind the Mortality of my Body and knowing that it appointed for all Men once to Die Make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament. that is to say principally and first of all I give and Recommend my Soul into the hands of God that gave it and for my Body I Recommend it to ye Earth to be in a Christian Like Manner at the Discretion of my Executors nothing Doubting but at General Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the Mighty power of God and touching such Worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to Bless me in this Life I give Demise and Dispose of the Same in the following Manner and Form. Imprimis I give and Bequeath to Eldest Daughter Hanah White one Negro Girl Called Nancy, one feather Bed and furniture, to her her Heirs and Assigns for ever. Item I give and Bequeath to my Daughter Jane White one Negro Girl called Fipp and one feather Bed and furniture to her her heirs and Assigns for ever. Item I give and Bequeath to Daughter Mary White One Negro Girl Called Sall and one feather Bed and furniture to her her Heirs and Assigns for ever. Item I give and Bequeath to my Son Ambrose White one Negro Boy Called Sambo to him his Heirs and Assigns for ever. Item I give and Bequeath to my three Sons Jacob White Peter White and Wixham White my Lands Messuages and Tenaments viz. happy Entrance and Whites addition to be Equally Divided amongst them Quantity and Quality only that my Son Wixham to have the Manor Plantation to them their heirs and Assigns for ever. And Lastly I Leave and Bequeath to my True and Lawfull Wife Bathsheba White after my Lawfull Debts being paid all and singular my Whole and sole Estate whatsoever and Wheresoever whom I also appoint, Make ordain and Constitute the only and sole Administratrix of this my Last Will and Testament and I do hereby utterly Disallow Revoke and Disanull all and every other former Wills, Legacies and Executors by me any ways before

this Time named Willed and Bequeathed, Ratifying and Confirming this and no other to be my Last Will and Testament in Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal the Day and Year first above written

Ambrose White (Seal)

Signed Sealed, published, pronounced and Declared by the said Ambrose White as his Last Will and Testament in Presence of us the Subscribers

Hinman Wharton, Jnat, Elizabeth her (mark) Smith, Daniel Coe Jun.

On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus written — viz.

March ye 6 — 1755 Came Hinman Wharton and Daniel Coe two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made oath on the Holy Avangelis of Almighty God that they Saw the Testator Ambrose White Sign Seal and heard him publish pronounce and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament and that at the Time of his so Doing he was to the best of their Appehension of a Sound Disposing Mind and Memory and that they Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the forgoing Will in the presence of the Testator & by his Request and that they Saw Elizabeth Smith the other Subscribing Witness Sign as a Witness to the Said Will in the Presence of the Testator and at his Request. Sworn before

Benton Harris Commy of Worcester County

March ye 8th — 1755 Came Bathsheba White Widow and Relict of Ambrose White Late of Worcester County Deceased and Quitted Claim to the Devise and Bequeath to her Made in the forgoing Will and Elected in Lieu thereof have the third part of the Deceds Estates as allowed by Law — Before Benton Harris Commy of Worcester County

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In the Name of God Amen I John Purnell Junr of Worcester of Worcester County in the Province of Maryland being Sick and weak of Body but of perfect Sence and Memory praised be God but Considering with myself the frailty & uncertainty of this present Transitory Life & that all flesh must Dye Submit to Death when it shall please God to Call I do therefore Hereby Declare Nominate ordain and appoint this my Last Will and Testament & revoking & Disannulling all former Wills heretofore by me made; & my Will is, that this only Shall Stand & be for & as my Last Will & Testament & none other in Manner and form following.

409 that is on Fifty acres of Land being part of Genezzar which I bought of Samuel Holland being at the head of the said Track. Item I give and Bequeath unto my son William Purnell part of a Tract of Land Called Genezzar Beginning at the Mouth of the said Ditch where the Persimmon Tree stands on the Easternmost side of the Neck running down the said Creek of the New pasture a before mentioned and up the Bay while it comes to the Mouth of a Creek that Divides Chas. Rackliffe & John Purnell & then up the said Creek that Divides the said Rackliffe & Purnell while it comes to a Line that goes a Cross the Neck to the Middle Line that formerly ran up the neck between Edward Wraly & Charles Rackliffe and from thence with a Line down to a Gate which formerly Stood in the Main Road and from thence to the Head of a Gutt Called Deep Gutt with a Direct Line & from thence down the said Gutt & Creek into the Bay or Main Creek & so binding on his Brother Ladocks part to the first Beginning to him and his Heirs Lawfully begotten of his own Body for ever. & in Case He should without Such Heir then I give the aforesaid Land to be Equally Divided between my Two Sons Ladock Purnell & Thomas Purnell & their Heirs for ever. I give to my son William Purnell one hundred Acres of Land to be taken out of Two Tracts of Land one Called Strife the other Mills Angle & joining on that part heretofore Given to his Brother Ladok Purnell & Likewise one Track of Land Called Conclusion Lying over the Pine Pin Branch on the Northwest side of said Branch and one Track Bought of Moses Wilson to him his Heirs & Assigns for ever. Also give unto my Son William Purnell one Negro Man Called Hazzard & one Negro Girl Called Tabb: and one hundred pound Cash proclamation money & one Negro Man Ben one Negro Girl Dinah & one Negro Boy Volintine I give & bequeath to my Son William Purnell Ninty nine & a half Acres of Land which I bought of William Fredix Called Goshan to him his Heirs & Assigns for ever. Item I give and Bequeath unto my Son Thomas Purnell all the remaining part of a Tract of Land Called Genezzar to the North Eastward of his Brother William Purnells Line Excepting what I bought of Samuel Holland To him and his Heirs Lawfully Begotten of his own Body for Ever, and in Case he Should Die without Such Lawful Heir then I give and Bequeath the aforesaid Land to be Equally Divided Between my Two Sons Ladok Purnell & William Purnell

(That is to say) first & Principally I Commit & Commend my Soul into the hands of Almighty God my Creator who gave it; Trusting and Assuredly believing through the only Merrills of Jesus Christ, after this Sinfull Life ended, to Inherit Everlasting Happiness. my Body to the Earth from whence it was taken, to be Decently & Christianly buried at the Discretion of my Executor hereafter named and for that Temporal and Worldly Estate it hath pleased Almighty God of his great Goodness to Bestow upon me, I give Will Devise & Bequeath as following. — Imp.s I give and Bequeath unto my Ladock Purnell, part of a Tract of Land called Genizzar Beginning at a Line of Trees Running a Cross the Neck of Whalys, at the Bottom of my part of the said Neck & one Track of Land called Ortney & then running from the Cross Line of Edward Whalys part up the Eastermost Bay to a place Called the New Pasture Landing; & from thence up a Creek to the mouth of a small Ditch to a Marked Persimmon Tree standing at the same Place & from thence a Cross the Neck to a small Glade of Marsh where a Ditch is Cut out of a Pond Called Cedar Pond & down the said Glade to a small Ditch cut by John Kelley and from thence Down the Creek to the West Bay and Down the said Bay again to the Cross Line that Divides it from Edward Whalys — to him and his Heirs Lawfully Begotten of his own Body forever and for want of such Heirs I give and Bequeath unto my Son Thomas & William Purnell the aforesaid Land mentioned to my son Ladok to be Equally Divided between them or their Heirs for ever. — Item I give & bequeath unto my Son Ladok Purnell part of Two Tracks of Land called Strife and Mill Angle to be Laid off at the south west part of said Two Tracks of Land to him his Heirs and Assigns for ever. — I give Likewise to my Son Ladok Purnell one Negro Man Called Tom Watson & one Negro Called Ben & One Negro Woman Called Dinah & one Desh one Silver headed Sword. One Roan Stallion & one Negro Called Young Will & one Negro Girl Nelly & Likewise I give & bequeath to my Son Ladok four hundred & fifty Acres of Land on the Westermost Side of Pocomoke River being in Two Tracks one of them Called Pennewells Choice & the other thairto adjoining to him his Heirs and Assigns for Ever & I further give to my Son Ladok Purnell alle the Timber

and their Heirs for ever. — I give and Bequeath to my aforesaid Son Thomas part of two Tracts of Land Called Stife & Mill Angle Beginning where his Brother William ends and then Running to the South while he Comes to the Horse Road or Main Road then Running as the Main Road goes from Bradfords Lane to a hole and with the Road till it comes to a hole Called Zechariah's Bowls & from thence to the Direct Line that goeth in Cook the Two Tracts to him his Heirs and Assigns for ever. — I also give and Bequeath unto my Said Son Thomas Purnell one Negro Called Peter & one Negro Girl called Lydia & one Negro Man Called Daniel Sulls & one hundred pounds in Gold or Silver Proclamation Money and one Negro called Frebey & one Negro Boy named Occoch, I give and Bequeath to my Son Thomas Purnell one hundred & fifty acres of Land that I bought of Samuel Holland it being part of Two Tracts one hundred in Goshen & fifty acres in Genezzar To him his Heirs & Assigns for ever. — Item I give unto Elizabeth Morris the use of half the Cleard Land on the Land I where she formerly Lived at a place Called Crappers Neck and one Negro Man Called Old Will and one Negro Boy Called Quash & one Negro Girl Called Rachell & three Cows (one feather Bed during her Natural Life); & then to return to those whom I shall think proper to Dispose them to and Likewise one Stock of Steers. — Item I give and Bequeath unto my Son John Purnell one Track of Land Called Spring garden which was Thomas Credices & one Track of Land Called Charlesses Choice Containing one hundred Acres & seven hundred Acres Called Ufakanne fields or at my Title if there be more found & one Tract more Called Purnell's Addition, & that Track which is Called Pleasant Grove & Likewise all the Land that I bought of Edmond Crapper called Ufatequa Fields To him & his Heirs Lawfully Begotten of his Body for ever. — and if my Said Son John Should Die without such a Lawful Heir of his Body then it is my Will & Direct that the aforesaid Mentioned Lands to my Son John fall to my Son William Purnell & his Heirs for ever & that part of Genezzar Land heretofore given to William Purnell to fall to Zadok and Thomas Purnell & to be Equally Divided Between them & their Heirs for ever. I also give to my Son John Purnell one Negro Man named George, one Called Old Daniel & one Negro Woman Called Phillis

and one Negro Boy called Jacob & one called Henry to him and his Heirs for Ever — Item it is my Will that the Gift of part of two Tracks of Land called Strife & Mill Angle which is heretofore given to my three Sons on the southermost side of Mill Road shall be Equally Divided between them and their Heirs Each of them having and adjoining to Each other as in the first part given, & not otherways to them their Heirs & Assigns for Ever — Item I give and Bequeath to my Daughter Elizabeth Purnell part of Two Tracks of Land called Strife & Mill Angle Beginning at Nathaniel Bradford's Lane & from thence Running by & with the Main Road, so far as shall include the Plantation where the saw Mill covers and all the Land on the North side of said Main Road: & Likewise I give to my Said Daughter Elizabeth part of Two Tracts of Land Lying on Saint Martains River called Scandaroon & Tanton Containing Two hundred & Twenty five Acres to her & her Heirs & Assigns for Ever — I give unto my Daughter Elizabeth Purnell One Negro Man called Toney & one Negro Woman called Sarah, one Negro Boy called Caleb & one Negro Boy called Cyprian & one Molatto Girl called Israil & a Blew Cloth side Saddle to her & her Heirs for Ever — Item I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Lipporah Purnell one Tract of Land called Bowers Choice, and one hundred Acres more called Wintfields; and one Tract called Deep Swamp to her and her Heirs for Ever. — Item I give & Bequeath to my Daughter Levina Hazlitt part of a Tract of Land called Spittle Fields, formerly Belonging to John Fennith & by Sundry Conveyances became the Right of of one Isaac Marshall, & Likewise one other Tract of Land called Fruitts Lott: to her and her Heirs & Assigns for Ever & also four Cows & Calves & Six Two year old Cattle kind — Item I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Arralantar Robins & my Grand Son John Purnell Robins all the Land that was Devised to me by my father Thomas Purnell in his Last Will and Testament: called Fairfields & Fearn hill; in the same Manner as was by me made over & Conveyd to the aforesaid John Purnell Robins as Recourse to the same being has will More fully & plainly appear, to him & his Heirs or them & their Heirs & Assigns for Ever — & one Pistole. — Item I give & Bequeath unto my five Children hereafter nominated & named to Wit, Ladock, John Thomas, William & Elizabeth Purnell Thirty five Head of Cattle a piece to Each of them, & Likewise I give to my five Children aforesaid Two Bedds & furniture apiece & likewise thirty five Sheep apiece & also three Iron Potts or Kettles a piece. —

Item I give unto my Daughter Elizabeth Purnell one Young Roan Guilden which goes by the Name of Williams Horse. — Item I give unto my Son William Purnell one Young Roan Horse being a Stallion Item when after all my Just Debts paid I give the Residue or Remainder of my Estate to and amongst my Eight Children to be Equally divided between them. — I further appoint Thomas Robins & John Purnell as Overseers to see that this my Will is performed in every part thereof. — and I further appoint my Loving Son — Ladock Purnell to be my Executor of this my Last Will & revoking and annulling all other Will or Wills heretofore by me made & this only to be as; and for my Last Will and Testament in Confirmation whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my Seal this Eighth day of January Anno Dom. 1755

John Purnell (Seal)

Signed Sealed & acknowledged
to be his Last Will & Testament
before us

Matthew Purnell Senr, Robt. Craig, Matthew Purnell Junr
his
Joseph ‡ Jones — March 6 1755 Came Matthew Purnell —
Robert Craig mark. Matthew Purnell Junr and Joseph Jones the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made oath on the holy Evangelis of Almighty God that they saw John Purnell the Testator sign Seal and heard him publish pronounce and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of a Sound Disposing Mind and Memory and that they Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request — Sworn before Benton Harris Dep Comry of Worcester County

March the 6th 1755 Came Matthew Purnell, Thomas Robins & Ladock Purnell and made oath on the holy Evangelis of Almighty God that they were present when the Testator John Purnell made the foregoing Will and that when it was read to him he was in Doubt as to the Name of a Tract of Land given to his Son John by the Name of Pleasant Grove and said he was not Sure whether that was the name of the Land or not; but that the Land he Desired Should pass to his said Son John by that name was a Tract of Land that Lay by Wickham Crappers or where he formerly Lived, and Between that and Edward Hammonds Land on or near — Cavenders Branch Containing Seven hundred Acres, or thereabouts and that he then Desired his Patents to be Examined and found none of

that name; but since the Testators Death, the Patent for the said Land as above Described is found: and Contains seven hundred and fourteen Acres known by the name of Delight and further saith not

23½ Sides

Before Benton Harris Esqr
of Worcester County

Vide fol. 491 for one Additional Probate

In the Name of God Amen I David Boyce Senr of Worcester County in the Province of Maryland Planter being in good health of Body & of sound & perfect Mind & Memory Praise be given therefore given to Almighty God, do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament in Manner and form following (that is to say) first and principally I Commend my Soule into the hands of Almighty God, hoping through the Merits Death and passion of my Savior Jesus Christ to have full and free pardon of all my Sins & to Inherit Everlasting Life: and my Body I Commit to the Earth to be Decently buried at the Discretion of my Executor hereafter named and as touching the Disposition of all such Reall & Temporall Estate as it hath pleased Almighty God to Bestow upon me I give & Dispose thereof as followeth Imprimis I Will that my Debts and Funeralls Charges shall be first paid & Discharged. Item I give and Bequeath unto my Son William Boyce Fifty acres of Land Contained & Mentioned in a Patent bearing Date the fifth Day of February one thousand seven hundred & Twenty Eight Called Johnsons Folly to him & the Heirs of his Body begotten or to be begotten and also one other Tract of Land I give & bequeath unto my Son William Boyce taken up in Somerset County the patent bearing Date the sixteenth Day of May Seventeen hundred & thirty four Containing by Estimation one hundred acres of Land Called Good Luck to him & the Heirs of his Body Lawfully Begotten or to be begotten. and further I give unto my said Son William Boyce a Negro Boy Called Sampson to him and his Heires or Assigns for Ever in full Shear of both my Real & Personall Estate. Item I give and Bequeath unto my Joseph Boyce forty acres of Land that I purchased of Jonas Hall being part of a Tract Called Green Hill to him & the Heirs of his Body Lawfully begotten or to be begotten and Also I give to my Son Joseph Boyce one other Tract of Land Called Bryan Containing by Estimation One hundred Acres of Land mentioned in a Patent Bearing Date the Twentieth Day of December seventeen hundred & forty one (taken up by John Boyce) to my Son Joseph Boyce & the Heirs of his Body Lawfully Begotten or to be begotten for Ever and further

I give unto my Son Joseph Boyce Fifty acres of Land called Long Ridge made over to me by Jonas Dunton the fifth Day Day of November Anno Dom: 1734 to him and the Heirs of his Body Lawfully Begotten or to be begotten to him & his Heirs for Ever. — Item I give & Bequeath unto my Son Jonathan Boyce and the Heirs of his Body Lawfully Begotten or to be begotten for Ever fifty acres of Land next to the Bounder part of a Tract for Two hundred & Ten acres Called Dispute and also one hundred Acres of Land Called Boyces Fancy I give to my Said Son Jonathan Boyce and the Heirs of his Body Lawfully Begotten or to be Begotten for Ever. — and the saw Mill and Grists Mill thereunto Belonging at the Time that he shall attain to his full age of One and Twenty. — Item I give unto my Son Daniel Boyce and the Heirs of his Body Lawfully begotten or to be begotten the Manner Plantation Together with all Houses & Orchards & other Edifices thereunto Belonging Containing by Estimacon One hundred & Sixty Acres part of a Pattent for Two hundred & Tenn Acres Called Disputes when he Shall attain to the full Age of once and Twenty Years the remaining fifty Acres of the Said Tract I have before Bequeath to his Brother Jonathan Boyce. — Item I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Sarah Collins the Wife of Joseph Collins the Sum of Five Shillings in full Share of all my personale Estate to be paid within one Month after my Decease. Item I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Anne Boyce and her Heirs one Negro Boy called Winny Edge at her Day of Marriage or the Age of Eighteen which Shall first happen in her full share of my Estate both Real & Personal Item I give unto my Daughter Margaret Boyce a Negro boy Called Minga as a full Shear of my Estate both Real and Personal to her and her Heirs at the Age of Eighteen or day of her Marriage. Item I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Comfort Boyce a Negro Girl Called Bridgit as her full share of my Estate both Real and Personal when he shall attain to the Age of Eighteen Years or day of Marriage which shall first happen. — Item I give and Bequeath unto my Children Joseph Boyce, Priscilla Boyce Jonathan Boyce Daniel Boyce, Ann Boyce Margaret Boyce & Comfort Boyce all the Negroes and their Increase and all the Movable Estate except the Legacies already given upon Condition that they will Lett their Mother Margaret Boyce have the use of the Said Negroes for And During her Widowhood to aid and assist her in her Livelyhood... and to help to raise her Children. — And Lastly I Leave my Son William Boyce full & Sole Executor of this my Last Will & Testament and and desire..

245 that my Body may be buried at the Discretion of my Executor in Witness
whereof I Daniel Boyce the Testator have hereunto Set my hand and affixed
my Seal this Twelfth Day of February one thousand seven hundred and
fifty five.

Daniel his D mark Boyce Senior (Seal)

Signed Sealed published & Declared
by the Testator Daniel Boyce as
and for his Last Will & Testament
in the presence of us who in his
Presence have Subscribed our Names
as Witnesses hereunto the Word (Sonas) being first Interlined in the presence of us
John his mark Houston senior Sur., John Houston Jurat, John Phipps.

On the Back of the foregoing Will was then written viz.
March y.d 27 – 1755 Came John Houston Sen.r and John Houston Junior
Two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made oath on
the Holy Evangelis of Almighty God – that they Saw the Testator Daniel
Boyce Sign, Seal, and heard him publish – pronounce and Declare the
Same to be his Last Will and Testament and that at the Time of his so
Doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of a Sound Disposing
Mind and Memory and that they Subscribed their Names as Witnesses to
the Said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request, and that
they also saw John Phipps the other Subscribing Witness Sign his name
as a Witness to the Said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his
Request ——— Sworn before Benton Harris D Comy
of Worcester County

March 28th – 1755 Then Marget Boyce Widow and Relict of the
Within Dan.l Boyce Renounces the within or foregoing Will and
Electeth in Lieu thereof have her thirds of the Deceased Estate as
11½ Sidebey Law Established ——— Before Benton Harris D Comy of Worcester County

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Oct.br 20th 1753 Calvert County ss. – I George Fowler of Calvert County
being now Sick of Body but of perfect Mind and found Memory do make
this my Last Will and Testament in form and Manner following.
First I Bequeath my Soul to God that gave it and my Body to be
Buried with a Christian burryall at the Discretion of my Loving Wife
Mary whom I Leave my Executrix. – I give and Bequeath to my Two
Sons. John Parker Fowler, and Benjamin Fowler all Land which
I have any Right or Claim to the name of which Land is called
Tillington to be Equally Divided after the Decease of my Wife Mary
I give and Bequeath to my Daughter Betty three Cow & Calfs to be
Delivered to her at the Age of Sixteen Years or the Day of Marriage
Signed Seald & Delivered in presence of George Fowler (Seal)
James Clark, C: Hance, Joseph Fowler.

Calvert County April the 26th – 1755 Came James Clark Chris. Hance & Joseph Fowler Subscribing witness to the within Will and being Duly and Solemnly sworn on the holy Evangelis of Almighty God Depose and say that they Saw the Testator Georg Fowler Signe the Within Will & heard him publish and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament & that at the Time of his so Doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of sound Disposing mind & Memory & that they Signed there Respective ~~Names~~ names as Evidences to said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request ——— Sworn before Clement Smith Clerk
2/12 Sate } Calvert County

In the Name of God Amen I Thomas Ireland of Calvert County in the Province aforesaid being in Sound and perfect memory thanks be to God for the same and Calling to Mind the uncertainty of this Troublesome Life do make ordain this to be my Last Will and Testament Revoking all other and former Wills by me made and this only to be taken for my Last Will and Testament now as to Temporal Estate I do Dispose and Bequeath as is hereafter mentioned in Manner and form following — Imprimis I give and Bequeath unto my Son Thomas Ireland Two Negro Men named Little Jack & Simpson. 2dly I give and Bequeath unto my ~~Grand~~ Son William Ireland Two Negroes (viz) One Man known by the Name of Maldens Jack & one Negro Wench Called Venus. 3dly I give and Bequeath unto my Grand Son John Ireland the son of Thomas Ireland one Negro Lad Called Sam. 4thly I give and Bequeath unto my Grand Daughter Margret Ireland Daughter of my Son William Ireland one Negro Girl called Jenney. 5thly I give and Bequeath unto my Grand Son Jesse Bourne Son of my Late Daughter Eliza one Negro Girl Called and known by the Name of Nancy and her Increase and one good feather Bed and Furniture & one Cow and Calf, Two Pewter Dishes & Six Ditto Plates one Chest one Sow & piggs and the Second best Iron Pot that I have when he shall arrive to Age of Twenty one Years and also I give my said Grandson one half of my Books & half Dozn Chears. 6thly I give and Bequeath unto my Grand Daughter Eleanor Bourne four Young Negroes and their Increas Called and known by the Names of Tom. Boy, one Called Sarah one Girl Called Abigail one Boy Called Joe and Likewise one Cow and Calf & one Heifer three Years old and the best feather Bed and

furniture that I have one Sow & Piggs six Leather Chairs one Oval Table two Pewter Dishes six Pewter Plates one New Chest & the best Iron Pot that I have one pair Iron Doggs one small Looking Glass One Warming Pan & one Half of my Books — 7.thly my Will and Mind is that in Case that Either of my Grand Children Jesse Bourne or Eleanor Bourne should Die before they Come to Age then the surviving Child to have all that was giving to the other. — 8.thly But if it should happen that both my said Grand Children as above said, should die before they Come to Age without Issue then my Will and Mind is that there Two parts giving as before said to be Equally Devided — Between my Grand Children of Thomas Ireland and William Ireland 9.thly after all my Just Debts be all Satisfied & paid all the Remainder of my personal Estate as yet not given away I give unto my Two Sons Thomas Ireland and William Ireland to be Equally Divided between them and their Heirs for Ever — 10.thly my Will and Mind is that my Two Sons Thomas Ireland and William shall be Joint Executors of this my Last Will & Testament and that this same may be Done without any Administration In Witness hereof I have Set my Hand and Seal this first Day of November Anno Dom. 1754

Signed sealed and acknowledged in the presence of
William Annuth, William Skinner, Dilah Catterton

Thomas his T mark Ireland (Seal)

On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus written viz.
Calvert County May y.e 6th 1755 Came William Annuth William Skinner & Dilah Catterton Subscribing witness to the foregoing Will & being duly and solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God Depose and Say that they Saw the Testator Tho.s Ireland Sign the foregoing Will and heard him publish & Declear the same to be his Last Will and Testament & at the Time his so Doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of Sound Disposing Mind and Memory & that they signed there Respective Names as Evidences to the Said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request — Sworn before Sem. Smith Commy of Calv. County

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In the Name of God Amen. The Last Will and Testament of Mr Thomas King. In the first I Will my Soul to God Almighty and that my Body be Decently buried — Item I give and Bequeath my Beloved Sister Margaret Hillary five Shillings Current Money. Item to my Beloved Sister Cave Williams five shillings Current Money. Item I Will and Bequeath

to my son in Law John Brooke a young Bay Horse called and known by the Nam Ranter.- I Will and Bequeath to my beloved Wife Martha King Two thirds of all my Personals Estate Item I give and Bequeath all the Remaining part of my Personal Estate to my Beloved Brother Francis King. also I Will and Bequeath all my Real Estate to my Said Brother Francis King to him and his Heirs for Ever. Last of all I Constitute and appoint my Loving Wife Martha King and my Beloved Brother Francis King to be Joint Executors November the Eighteenth in the Year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and fifty four.

L. Holliday, Clem.t Holliday. — Thos. King (Seal)

Benj.a Machall Junr.

On the Backe of the foregoing Will was thus written viz. Calvert County March ye. 20th 1755 Came Leonard Holliday Clem.t Holliday & Benj.a Machall Junior subscribing Witness to the above Will & being duly & solemnly Sworn on the holy Evangelis to Almighty God Depose and say that they saw the Testator Thos. King Sign the above will and heard him Publish and Declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so Doing he was to the best of there Apprehension of sound Disposing Mind and Memory and that they Signed their respective Names as Evidences to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his request

4 sides — Sworn before — Clem.t Smith Deputy Comr. Calvert County

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In the Name of God Amen I George Hollandsworth of Baltimore County in Maryland being of Disposeing Mind and Memory do for the beter Settleing of my Temporal Affairs make this my last Will and Testament as follows viz.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Sarah Hollandsworth and to her Assigns my Negroe Boy names James with one feather Bed one ffr Sheets one Rugg one Blanket one young horse called the black Colt one Cow and Calf one Steer four years old four head of Sheep two new dishes two baysons and half a dozen plates

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Ann Hollandsworth and to her Assigns my Negroe Boy names Dick with one feather Bed one fr Sheets one Rugg one Blanket one Mare Colt called Bounies youngest

Colt now about six Months old one Cow and Calf one Steer four years old four head of Sheep two new Dishes Two Baysons and half a dozen plates

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Mary Hollandsworth and to her Assigns my Negroe Boy named Joe with one feather Bed one pr Sheets one Rugg one Blankett eight pounds Current money or a horse Rise of that Value one Cow and Calf one Steer four years old four head of Sheep Two new Dishes two Baysons and a half dozen plates

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Loving wife Hannah Hollandsworth during her Natural Life the use of my six Slaves following Viz one Negroe man named Will one Negro Boy named Sam one Negroe Boy named Tony one Negroe Boy named Primis one Negroe Woman named Dinah a Negroe Girl named Anny and after my aforesaid wives decease what of the aforesaid six Slaves with their Increase shall be then Living I give and Bequeath unto my three Daughters Sarah Ann and Mary Hollandsworth to be equally devided among them or their heirs

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Loving wife Hannah Hollandsworth the Residue of my Personal Estate after all my Just Debts are paid to her her heirs and Assigns for ever

I Appoint my Loving wife Hannah my Executrix In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seal this Eighth Day of february Anno Dom: 1755

Signed Sealed Published and Declared by George Hollandsworth to be his Last Will in the Presence of us

George his X mark Hollandsworth (Seal)

James his Gallion mark = Adam Burchfield

Thomas his H mark Hollandsworth

John Gallion = John Lana

on the Back of the aforegoing Will was wrote the following Probate Viz:d

May 31st 1755 Came James Gallion Adam Burchfield Thomas Hollandsworth and John Gallion four of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and being Duly & Solemnly sworn on the Holy Evangelist depose and say that they saw the Testator George Hollandsworth sign the said Will and heard him Publish & declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of all their Apprehension of sound and disposing mind and memory and that they Subscribed their Respective names as Witnesses to the said Will in his presence and at his Request Sworn Before

Wm Young Depy Comry of Baltimore County

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In the name of God Amen the 13th day of April Anno Dom: 1753 I Abraham Taylor being Sick and Weak in Body but of sound and perfect mind and Memory Blessed be God for the same knowing the uncertainty of this Life on Earth and being desirous to Settle things Order to make this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following That is to Say first and principally Commend my Soul to Almighty God my Creator Assuredly believing that I shall Receive a full Pardon and Remmission of all my Sins and be Saved by the permission and Merrits of my Blessed Saviour and Redeemer Jesus Christ and my Body to the Earth from whence it was Taken to be Buried in such Like Decent manner as my Executrix hereafter shall think meet and Convenient and as Touching such Worldly Estate as the Lord has lent me my Will and meaning is the same be Imployed & bestowed as hereafter my Will is Expressed and first do Renounce Revoke frustrate & make Void all Wills by me formerly made and Declare and appoint this my Last Will and Testament

I Abraham Taylor Give and Bequeath all that Tract and parcel of Land where I now Dell to my Son Michel Taylor it being one hundred acres part of a Tract of Land called Good Fleed to him and his heirs for ever

Item I give and Bequeath to my Son Thomas Taylor One hundred and fifty Acres of Land the Dwell: Plantation I Bought of Jo Elwood with said Land is to Extend from the said Plantation it being called and known by the name of Combines Choice to him his heirs for ever

Item I Give to my Son Aquilla Taylor One hundred and fifty acres of Land part of Combines Choice Adjoining to his Brother Thos Taylor to him and his heirs for ever

Item I Give to my Son Michel Taylor Sixty six Acres of Land the Remaining part of Combines Choice to him and his heirs for ever

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Beloved wife one Negroe Boy named Sanby to her her heirs and Assigns forever

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Son Michael Taylor one Negroe Boy Toney to him his heirs and Assigns for ever

Item I Give to my Son Thomas Taylor one Negroe Wench Dinah to him his heirs and Assigns for ever

Item I give to my Daughter Francis Taylor One Negroe Girl Rinner to her her heirs and Assigns for ever

Item I give to my Daughter Sarah Taylor one Negroe Girl Caster to her her heirs and assigns for ever

Item that if either of my Children should die without Lawfull Issue that my Youngest Son Aquilla should their Negroe

Item that the Remainder part of my Estate shall be Equally Devided amongst all my Children

Item it is my Will that my Sons shall Receive their Estates at the Age of Eighteen years

Item I make Ordain and Constitute my Wife Hannah Taylor my hole and Sole Exetrix to see this my Last Will and Testament performed as Witness my hand and Seal this thirteen Day of April Anno Dominii 1753

Signed Sealed and Declared
in the presence of —
Win: Greenfield
James Greenfield
Wm: Greenfield Jr.

Abraham Taylor ⊕

To the aforegoing Will was Annexed the following Probate Vizt

May 31st 1755 Came the three Subscribing Witnesses to the above Will being Duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God Depose and say that they saw the Testator Abraham Taylor Sign the foregoing Will and heard him Publish and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehensions of sound and Disposing Mind & Memory and that they Subscribed their Respective names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request Sworn Before

W Young Comr
Baltimore County

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In the name of God Amen I Mathew Travers of Dorchester County being very Sick of my Body but of a Sound and perfect mind and Memory praise be Given to Almighty God for the same do make and Ordain this my Last will and Testament in manner and form following Vizt

first I Will that my Debts be paid and Discharged

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Son William Travers my now Dwell=ing Plantation with all the Land Adjoining thereto and one negroe called Nan

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Son Thomas Travers all my Land on Taylers Island that I lately Bought of John Osmondson which I think is called Robson Lott, And one Negro called Rob and one Negro called Harry to him and his heirs for ever

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Son Mathew Travers my Land Called Project lying near the Horles Ons Creek and one Negroe called Abraham and one Negroe called Charles to him and his heirs for ever

Item I give unto my Son John Traverse five Negroes as I have no Land to leave him which said Negroes is by Name Joe Dorse Beck and Jack with their Increase and one Negroe called Frank

Item I Give unto my Daughter Mary one Negroe called Hagar and Ten Ewe Sheep and Ten Cows and four Sows and one feather Bed and one Young Mair and the Increse of the said Negroe Hagar being in full for her pard of my Estate

Item I Give unto my Daughter Elizabeth one Negroe called Rachel with her Increase, and Ten Ewe Sheep and Ten Cows, and four Sows and one feather Bed and one Young mair being in full for her pard of my Estate

Item I Give unto my Daughter Ramsey one Negroe called Rose with her Increase and Ten Ews and Ten Cows or Heifers and four Sows and one Young Mair and one feather Bed being in full for her pard of my Estate

Item I Give unto the Child my wife is now with Child of if it should be a Boy three Negroes by name, Sam Isaac and Ben and an equal pard of my Personal Estate with my other Sons but if it should be a Girl I then give it one Negroe called Nell with her Increase and Ten Ews and Ten Cows or heifers and four Sows and one Young Mair and one feather Bed being in full for her pard of my Estate

Item I Give unto my Dear and Loving wife all the Rest of my Negroes which I have not before Given away to my Children being in full of her pard of Negroes And I also give unto my said wife one third pard of my Estate after the Legacies are taken out and my Debts paid And I Likewise Constitute Ordain and Appoint my Dear wife and my Son William with my Brother Henry Travers to be whole and Sole Executors of this my Last Will and Testament hereby Revoking all formes

Wills by me made In Witness whereof the said Mathew Travers have hereunto set my hand and Seal this 15th day of Novem in the year of our Lord God Anno Dom: 1754

Signed and Sealed and Published in the presence of

Wm Travers
Alex Tolley
Edward Ruark

Mathew Travers (Seal)

Thos. his X mark Ruark

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was the following Probate Viz:

On the Seventh day of April Anno Dom: 1755 William Travers the Elder and John Ruark Two of the Subscribing Evidences to the aforegoing Will being Duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God Depose and say that they Saw the Testator Mathew Travers Sign the aforegoing Will and heard him publish and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament That at the time of his so Doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of sound and Disposing Mind and Memory and that they together with Alex. Tolley and Edward Ruark Subscribing Witnesses to the same Will Subscribed their Respective names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his Request which Oath was Taken by the said Witnesses in the presence of William Traverse the heir at Law which same William Traverse did not Object to the Probat of the same Will Certified Jam: Dulk Deputy Comry

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In the name of God Amen I Robert Wadell of Dorchester County in Maryland Tayler and being in Perfect Health praised be God do make this my Last Will and Testament as followeth: Imprimis I Give to my Daughter Mary and Likewise My Daughter Jane also my Daughter Sarah & Margett I Give and Bequeath one Shilling each a piece to these four and to have no other Demands upon my Estate

Item I Give to my Son James my horse called Buck Likewise three young Bullocks and Two Cows and Lambs and to have no other part of my Effects. Item I leave to my Daughter Elizabeth and Nancy and Prudence one Shilling each of them and to have no other part of my Effects and I Constitute my Wife the whole Executor of this my Last and Testament with whom I Charge with the payment of these Legacies and after the payment of my Just Debts and my wifes Thirds all the Remainder of my Goods and

Chattles to be equally devided Betwixt my Son John and Alexander and my three youngest Daughters Anna Larney and Rebecca and Rachel In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal this 28th: day of May and in the year of our Lord God Seventeen hundred and fifty three

Sealed Published and Declared by the above named Robert Waddel for and as his Last Will and Testament in the presence of us

Testes Isaac Oheir
Benjamen Morgan
Solomone his S Morgan mark

Rt Seal Waddel

In the Back of the foregoing Will was the following Probate Viz:t

On the 12th day of June Anno Dom: 1755 Isaac Oheir and Solomon Morgan two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will being Duly and Solemnly Sworn on the holy Evangels of Almighty God depose and say that they saw the Testator Robert Waddell Sign the aforegoing Will and heard him Publish and Declare the same to be his Last Will & Testament that at the time of his so Doing he was to the best of their Apprehensions of sound and Disposing mind and Memory and that they together with Benjamin Morgan the other Subscribing Witness to the same Will Subscribed their Respective names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his Request

Certified p Sam.l Hall D Com.ry V. Cott

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In the name of God Amen I Thomas Thompson of Prince Georges County in the Province of Maryland Planter being sound in Memory and Loe in Spirits thanks be to God for it I do make and Declare this to be my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say first I give my soul to God that gave it me Resting on the Salvation thereof on the alone Merits of Jesus Christ my Redeemer my Body I Comitt to the Earth to be Decently Intered at the Discretion of my Exec.rs hereinafter mentioned and such Worldly Estate as it hath been pleased God to Bestow upon me I give devise and Bequeath the same in manner and form following that is to say Imprimis I give my Son Thomas the Plantation where I now dwell and the Land belonging to the said Plantation as far back as

430 Talbot County ss: Catharine Ryon one of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being Duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God deposeth and saith and Daniel Wilson and Aaron Parrott being two of the People called Quakers two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will do Solemnly & Sincerely Declare and Affirm that they saw the Testator John Ryan sign the aforegoing Will and heard him Publish and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the time of his so Doing he was to the best of their Appre=hension of sound and Disposing mind and Memory And that they Likewise saw Elizabeth Tumblinson the other Subscribing Witness Subscribe her name as a Witness to the said Will Sworn before me this twenty first day of May 1755 —

Dan: Maynadier Dep: Com: T. Cot:

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Somerset ss In the name of God Amen I Robert Mitchell of the County of Somerset and Province of Maryland Gentleman being weak in Body but of a perfect and Disposing mind and memory thanks be given to Almighty God do make and Ordain this my Last Will & Testam: in manner and form following that is to Say

First and principally I Commend my Soul unto the hands of Almighty God hoping through the Merits death and passion of my Saviour Jesus Christ to have full and free pardon and forgiveness of all my Sins and to Inherit Everlasting life. And my Body I Commit to the Earth to be Decently Buried at the Discretion of my Execut=-ors hereafter named. And as to the Disposition of all such Temporal Estate as it hath pleased Almighty God to bestow upon me I give and Dispose thereof as followeth

Imprimis. I Will that all my Just Debts and funeral Charges shall be Duely paid and Discharged

Item I give unto my Son Joshua Mitchell that Land and Plantation whereon I live called or known by the name of Good Success to him his heirs and Assigns for ever but it is my will and pleasure that my Dear and ever Loving wife Mary Mitchell shall hold and have peaceable possession of ye above Land and premisses during her Widowhood

Item I give unto my aforesaid Son Joshua Mitchel and to his heirs and Assigns for ever one Negroe man called Simon and one Negroe Woman called Rose and their Children names Harry Titus and Pleasant with the Increase of the aforesaid Negroe Woman Rose that she may have after the Date hereof But it is my Will and Pleasure that my Beloved wife should have and Enjoy Peaceably and Quietly the aforesaid Negroe man ~~[illegible]~~ Simon and negroe woman Rose During her Natural Life

Item I give unto my Son Isaac Mitchell all that Tract of Land which I Bought of Joseph Langford and Mary Smith Containing in the whole Two hundred and fifty Acres called or known by the name of Middlesex and Williams Hope to him his heirs and Assigns for ever But if in Case my said Son Isaac Mitchell should Die without Issue that then the said Land to go to my Son Joseph Mitchell to him his heirs and Assigns for ever

Item I give unto my Son Isaac Mitchell aforesaid and to his heirs and Assigns for ever one Negroe man Called Limas one Negroe Boy called Pompey one Negro woman called Selby and one Negro Girl called Dido But it is my Will and Pleasure that my aforesaid wife shall have and Enjoy peaceably and quietly the aforesaid Negroes Limas Pompey and Selby During her widowhood

Item I give unto my Son Josiah Mitchel and to his heirs and Assigns for ever one Negroe Woman named Hagar one Negro Girl named Merior one Negroe man named Hector and one Negroe Girl named Betty But it is my Will and Pleasure that my said wife shall have Enjoy peaceably and Quietly the aforesaid Negroes Hagar Merior and Hector

Item I give unto my Daughter Parthenia Heath widow of Cormon Heath Two Negroe Boys one named Monaken and the other Somerset And two Iron Potts all which she has already in Possession to the said Parthenia Heath her heirs and Assigns for ever

Lastly all the Rest of my Personal Estate Goods and Chattels I do give to my wife Mary Mitchel Joshua Mitchel Isaac Mitchell and Josiah Mitchel to be equally divided among them And I do Appoint my Sons Joshua Mitchell and Isaac Mitchell to be my whole

132 and Sole Executors of this my Last Will and Testament and I do hereby utterly Revoke Disannull and make void all and every former Will & Wills Testaments by me heretofore made In Witness whereof I the said Robt Mitchell to this my Last Will and Testament have set my hand and Seal this Twenty seventh Day of March Annoque Domini 1753 Three Signed Sealed Published pronounced Testified and Declared in presence of Testes

John Hamilton
William Williams
Sarah Hamilton

} Robt Mitchell (Seal)

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was the following Probate Viz^t

May 8th 1755 Came John Hamilton and Sarah Hamilton on On the 17th of the same month and year came William Williams and made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they saw the Testator Robt Mitchell Sign and Seal and heard him Publish ~~xxxxx~~ pronounce and declare this Instrument of writing as his Last Will and Testament and that at the time of his So doing he was to the best of their apprehensions of sound and Disposing mind Memory and understanding and that they saw the Said John Hamilton Sarah Hamilton and William Williams Subscribed as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence and at the Request of the Testator Robt Mitchell

Sworn before Nehemia King Dep^t Com^r of Somerset County

June 17th 1755 Came Mary Mitchell Widow and Relic of Robert Mitchell the Testator before me the Subscriber and made her Election to this Will and Desires to be Concluded by the Provision made her by said will and Relinquishes any Claim by Law

8 fides Testis Nehemia King Dep^t Com^r of Som^t Co^ty

Maryland Som^t Co^ty S^s:

In the name of God Amen I William Jones of Somerset County in the Province of Maryland Being Weak of Body But of Perfect mind and Memory Thanks be to Almighty God for the same and calling to mind the uncertainty of Human Life do think it fit to make and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament

in the manner and form following Viz:t

first my Will and Desire is that all my Just and Lawfull Debts be duely paid and Complied with

2.dly I Give and Bequeath to my Son Thomas Jones Three Negroes Joe, Robin and Sean my Desk and Book Case and one hundred Acres of Land Lying on Monokin Adjoining to Samuel Owens's Land to him and his heirs for ever

3.dly I Give and Bequeath to my Son Thomas Jones one Negro Wench called Dinah one Large Still worm and Tubb and six Silver Spoones, after my wifes decease to him and his heirs for ever

4.thly I Give and Bequeath unto my Son John Jones all that Tract of Land which I Purchased of John Alexander Lying in Somerset County Between Wicheco Creek and Monokin Town and also all the Land which I took up Adjoining thereto Except one hundred Acres which I have Given to his Brother Thomas Jones out of the said Tract as is above mentioned to him the said John Jones and his heirs forever

5.thly I Give and Bequeath to my son John Jones five Negroes Jeffery Moses Bess Harry and Abigaill a Double Case of Drawers a Bed and furniture and six Silver Spoons and Twenty Pounds out of my Estate Besides the Legacies Given towards the Schooling of him three Cows and Calves and a Yoake of Oxen to him and his heirs for ever

6.thly I Give and Bequeath to my Son John Jones one Young Mare about four Years old to him and his heirs for ever

7.thly I Give and Bequeath to my Grand Daughter Sarah Adams one Negroe Girl called Nan and four Silver Tea Spoons and in Case she dies without Issue my Grand Daughter Mary Adams to Inherit the above mentioned Legacies after my wifes decease to her and her heirs forever

8.thly I Give and Bequeath to my Grand Daughter Mary Adams four Silver Tea Spoons after my wifes Decease to her and her heirs for Ever

9.thly I Give and Bequeath to my Son in Law Peter Spencer Hack five Shillings Sterling to him and his heirs for ever

10.thly I Leave to my Beloved wife Mary Jones a Negroe man called Jeffery during her Natural Life and Likewise Moses Bess Harry and Abigail a Double Case of Drawers a Bed and furniture six Silver Spoons three Cows and Calves and one Yoake of Oxen for the use of

my said wife untill my Son John Jones arrives to the Age of Twenty years and then to Receive the above mentioned Legacies if he survs propper

11thly and Lastly I Leave to my Beloved wife Mary Jones during her Natural Life all the Remainder of my Estate be it of what nature or Kind soever after my Debts is paid and after her Decease to be equally divided Between my three Children Thomas Jones, Sarah Adams and John Jones and Lastly I doe appoint my Beloved wife Mary Jones and my Son Thomas Jones to be Executors of this my Last Will and Testament hereby Revoaking and Disannulling all other Wills heretofore by me made either in word or wrighting in Testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and fixed my Seal this seventeenth Day of August in the year of our Lord Goe one thousand seven hundred fifty and four

Signed Sealed and Declared
In the presence of us
Robt. Jones
Thos. Dashiell
Levin Dashiell

Wm. Jones (Seal)

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was the following Probate Viz.

May 13th 1755 Came Robt Jones Thomas Dashiells and Levin Dashiells Subscribing Evidences to the within Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they saw the Testator William Jones Sign and Seal and heard him Publish Pronounce and Declare this Instrument of writing as his Last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so Doing he was to the Best of their Apprehensions of sound and Disposing mind xxx Memory and understanding and that they the said Robt Jones Thomas Dashiells and Levin Dashiells Subscribed as Witnesses to said Will in the presence and at the Request of the Testator William Jones Sworn to before Nehemiah King Depty Comry of Somerset County

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In the Name of God Amen I Robt King of Somerset County in the Province of Maryland and for some time past Residing in Accomack County in the Colony of Virginia Esqr being in good health and of sound Disposing mind Memory and Understanding

thanks be to Almighty God but for as much as it is appointed for all men once to Dye And calling to mind the uncertainty of this Mortal State I do make and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament and Dispose of what worldly Estate it hath pleased God in his Great Goodness and Bounty to Bless me in manner and form following that is to say

First It is my Will and Desire that all my Just debts shall be paid by my Executors herein after named in Convenient time after my Decease

Item I Give and Bequeath unto the Poor of Somersett Parish in the County of Somersett Twenty five pounds Current money of Mary Land to be Disposed of as my Executor Nehemiah King herein after named in his Discretion for the purpose aforesaid shall think proper

Item I Give and Devise unto Richard Waters son of William Waters late of Somersett County Deceased by his wife Abigail and to his heirs and Assigns for ever all that Part or parcel of Marsh Land called London's Advisements Lying near the head of Teagues Creek in Somersett County it being the Parcel I promised unto the said William Waters in his Lifetime and Lying within and to the southward of the Pasture Ditch of the said William to the only proper use of the said Richard Waters his heirs and Assigns for ever

Item I Give and Devise unto William Walston and Thomas Walston and their heirs and Assigns for ever all that Residue or Remaining part of the aforesaid Tract of Marsh Land called London's Advisements that Lyeth to the Northward of Waters's Ditch above mentioned and within what was formerly called Benjamin Kings Pasture and Contiguous to the Land then possessed by him lying at or near the head of Teagues Creek foresaid, to the only proper use of them the said William Walston and Thos Walston and to their heirs and Assigns for ever

Item Whereas a Certain Edward Waters of Somersett County hath heretofore purchased of me some Land Lying on Stevens's Branch in Somersett County aforesaid and to the Southward of a main Road Crossing the said Branch as in and by the Bond I gave him for the Conveying thereof relation being thereunto had may more fully and at Large appear which Land hath not been yet Conveyed or all the purchase money paid and upon the payment of the residue

of the purchase money for the said Lands still Due and unpaid I devise the aforesaid Lands according to the Tenor of my Bond aforesaid and as therein Comprizes with all Profitts Privilidges Improvements Hereditaments and Apurtenances whatsoever to the same in any manner belonging unto the aforesaid Edward Waters his heirs and Assigns forever, To the only proper use and behoof of the said Edward Waters and of his heirs and Assigns for ever

Jayers Ballard John Givan } Ring (Seal)
Rivell Horsey John Leatt } 1731

Item I Give and Devise unto my Son Nehemia King my Dwelling Plantation at Monokin in Somerset County whereon my Deceased father Major Robert King in his Lifetime did Dwell Containing about three hundred Acres and I Believe calles Kings Land for and During his Natural Life and after his Decease unto his heirs Male During his or their Natural Lives and so on from heir Male to heir male as long as any Male Issue Derived from my said Son Nehemiah shall happen to Continue by way of Inheritance according to Priority of Birth and Seniority of Age And for want of such Issue of my said son Nehemiah King Then I give and Devise the said Plantation to my Grandson Thomas King During his Natural Life and from and after his Decease to his heir Male for and During his Natural Life and after his Decease to his heirs Male During his or their Natural Lives and so onward from heir Male to heir Male so long as any Male Issue Derived from my said Grandson Thomas King shall happen to Continue by way of Inheritance according to Priority of Birth and Seniority of Age: And if Male Issue discontinue in both my said Son and Grandson then I give my said Plantation to the Female Issue of my said Son Nehemiah King and her heirs and Assigns for ever

Item Whereas my Dear and Dutifull Son Robert King hath departed this Life Intestate leave Two sons Thomas & Robert Jenkins King and by means of his so Dying without Will all the Lands purchased by their said father will Discend unto the said Thomas his Eldest Son and heir at Law and the younger Brother be deprived of Inheriting any Peart of his Deceased fathers Real Estate, I think it therefore my Duty to have a Particular View

for a Provision for the said Younger Son Under these Circumstances and for the reasons aforesaid I annex the Provisoes and Restrictions in the Devise to my said Grandson Thomas King herein after mentioned It is my Desire that all the Lands in Worcester County whereof my Deceased Son Robert King was Seized in fee Simple at the time of his Death by Estimation about Two hundred Acres where my said Son last settled be Sold by Son Nehemiah King in fee Simple for such price as he shall think reasonable and proper and the purchase money arising from such Sale to be by him placed out at Interest upon Good Security in the name and for the use and Benefit of my Grandson Rob Jenkins King or otherwise to be Disposed of for his Profit and Advantage as my said Son Nehemiah shall think most for the Interest of the said Child when he may arrive at full age and in Case the said Lands shall not be Sold before my Grandson Thomas King shall arrive at his full age of Twenty one Years that then and in such Case the said Thomas King shall Convey the said Lands unto his Younger Brother Robert Jenkins King and to his heirs and Assigns for ever

Item I Give and Devise unto my Grandson Thomas King and to his heirs and Assigns for ever all my Lands Situate Lying & being on the south side of Great Annamessex River and head thereof where his Deceased father first Settled and Murumsco Branch in Somerset County Containing by Estimation about fifteen hundred & Sixty six Acres Provided Always and it is my Will that in Case my Grandson Thomas King or his heirs shall by Course of Descent or in any other way lay any Claim or pretensions to the above mentioned Lands which did belong to his Deceased father and whereof he died Seized in fee Simple in the said County of Worcester and shall Molest or Disturb any Purchase thereof made from my said Son Nehemiah that then and in such Case my Grandson Thomas or his heirs shall not take any of the =

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Revell Horsey John Leatt

= lands before mentioned at annamessex by Virtue of this Devise but that such purchaser his heirs and Assigns shall or may Enter into the Lands by me so as aforesaid Devised to my said Grandson Thomas and hold and Enjoy the same in fee Simple Provided also that if the

said Worcester Lands shall not be sold by the said Nehemiah King before
the said Thomas King shall arrive at the age of Twenty one years That
if my said Grandson Thomas King shall Refuse or make any unnecessary
or unreasonable Delay in Conveying the said Worcester Lands with
their Appurtenances unto his Younger Brother Robert Jenkins King
and his heirs and Assigns for ever that then and in such Case it is
also my Will that my said Grandson Thomas shall not take any
thing by the said Devise or have any Interest in the Lands so as
aforesaid by me Devised to him at Annamessex aforesaid but that
my said Grandson Robert Jenkins King shall have hold & Enjoy
the same Lands unto him his heirs and Assigns for ever

Item I give and Devise unto the said Thomas King and his
heirs for ever Liberty and Privilege to Cut or Cause to be Cut
from time to time so much Timber as he or they may have
occasion for the use of his or their own Plantations only in my
Cypress Swamp lying on Pocomoke River being part of a Tract
of Land called Convenieny purchased of one Peter Collier & others

Item I give and Devise unto my Grandson Robt Jenkins
King and his heirs for ever the like Liberty and Privilege
in the aforesd Cypress Swamp as to his said Brother Thomas
and his heirs herein before Given. I also give and Devise unto
my said Grandson Robert Jenkins King and his heirs and
Assigns for ever all that part of a Certain Tract of Land called Timber
Tract lying on Stevens's Branch in Somerset County and to the North=
=ward of a Road that Leads from Aaron Tilghmans to one Edward Cluffs
not heretofore sold or Disposed off to Edward Waters and Aaron Tilghman
the Younger or either of them To hold the said Residuary or Re=
=maining Parcell of Land unto the said Robert Jenkins King and his
heirs and Assigns for ever and to his and there only proper use
and Behoof for ever more And it is Likewise my Will and desire
that the said Robert Jenkins King shall have all the money
produced from the Sale of that part of the said Land by me
sold to the said Aaron Tilghman the Younger And for as much as
the Land which my said Grandson Robt Jenkins King will have
are Inferior in Value to the Lands which his Cousin and Brother

will Enjoy and Possess under me I Give & Bequeath unto my said Grandson Robt Jenkins King the sume of three hundred pounds Current money of Maryland which sum together with the money which shall be produced from the aforesaid Sale of Land to Aaron Tilghman the Younger It is my Will & Desire may be laid out towards making a Purchase in Lands for a good & Convenient Settlement for my said Grandson Robt Jenkins King in fee Simple by my son Nehemiah King in Case he shall think it most for the Interest & Benefit of the said Child so to apply the same And in Case the said money shall not be so applied in his Non age It is my Desire that it may be paid unto my said Grand Child Robert Jenkins

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Revell Horsey John Ludd

King when he shall or may Arrive to the Age of One and Twenty years or to his Executors or Administrators when he would arrive at that age

Item I Give and Devise all that Moiety or Seventy five Acres of Cypress Swamp part of a Tract of Land called Convenieny Lying on Pocomoke River in Worcester County Conveyed by Deed from one Peter Collier and others unto my Deceased Sister Mary Hampton and myself that having been her part thereof according to the true Intent and meaning of that Purchase unto my said Sister Hampton's Eldest Son Robert Jenkins Henry and to his heirs and Assigns for ever

Item I do by this my Will Confirm unto my Dutyfull Son Nehemiah King the Gift made to him of the following Negroes, To Wit Isabella Thomas the Daughter of Dido and Boy Adam which Negroes he was Possessed with before my Last Marriage I also now give & Bequeath the following Negroes That is to say Fortune and his Son Fortune Nicholas Sambo Major Jessee Long Cesar, Gonsalo Will Abed Glasgow, Dido Murrea, Betty and Lacey with their Increase unto my said Son Nehemiah King his Executors Administrators and Assigns for ever I Likewise Give unto my said Son Nehemiah my Largest Lumber Chain in Virginia with all my wareing apparel of every kind there and else where and also my horse Furniture, but not to include Chaise Furniture or Womens furniture for horses.

Item I do by this my Will Confirm unto my Two Grandsons Thomas King and Robt Jenkins King the Children of my deceased son Robt King the

Gift I made to their Father of the following Negroes To Will Thamar the Elder Judah the Elder Tender Sharp Cesar and Sarah with their Increase and with which my said son Robt was possessed before my Said Intermarriage I also Give and Bequeath unto my said Grand Children Thomas and Robert Jenkins King the following Negroes that is to say Henry Hope Pollidore Telemechus Bristol Dinah Judah the Younger and her Child George, Lucy Davie Nemrod Doreas the Younger and Thamar the Child of Long Cesar and Nan with their Increase to be equally divided between them their Executors and Administrators for ever

Item I Give and Bequeathe unto my Grandson Thomas King one Negroe Boy named Abraham and one Negroe Girl named Hanah the daughter of Accomack Judah with her Increase to him the said Thomas his Executors and Administrators for ever

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Grandson Robt Jenkins King one Negroe Boy called Young Cesar the Son of Nan and one Negroe Girl called Agnes also the Child of the aforesaid Accomak Judah with her Increase to him his Executors and Administrators for ever

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Eldest Grandson Robert King one Negroe named Daniel the son of Long Cesar and Negroe Boy Jacob the Son of Flora to him the said Robert King his Executors and Admin for ever

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Revell Horsey John Leath

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Grand Daughter Mary Barnes one Negroe Girl called Violet that she formerly has for a waiting Maid and her Increase And also a Negroe or Mullatto Girl called Lettice that is now in Virginia after my wifes decease or before if she pleases with the Increase likewise of the said mentioned Negroe Also one hundred pounds Maryland Gold Currency to be paid by my Executor Nehemiah King herein after named within six Months next after my said Grand Daughter shall arrive to the age of Sixteen years or so long after her day of Marriage which shall first happen And if the said Negroes be then in the Possession of my said Executor or under his Care they shall then be delivered by him otherwise by them in whose Custody they shall be at the time aforesaid which said Negroes and money I Give to my said Grand Daughter Mary Barnes

in full of what she may expect from my Estate And I do further Declare it my Will That if it may so happen That my said Grand Daughter Mary Barnes shall not live to Receive what is herein before bequeathed to her or may not be Living at the time of my Decease, that then and in such Case my Will is that Major Abraham Barnes the Father of the said Mary shall have the Property of the afs^d Negroe Violet and her Increase to be at his Disposal and the afs^d Negroe Lettice and her Increase and the afs^d One hundred pounds Gold Currency aforesaid to be Devided between my Son Nehemiah and his Nephews Thomas and Robert Jenkins King That is to say One Moiety or half part unto my said Son Nehemiah or his proper Representatives and the other moiety to be equally Divided between the said Thomas and Robert Jenkins King or their Legall Representatives

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Grand Daughter Mary King Child of my Son Nehemiah One Negroe Girl named Rachel with her Increase

Item I Give and Bequeath unto Major Abraham Barnes one Gold Ring of the Value of a Guinea

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my three Grandsons Robert King Thos King and Robert Jenkins King One hundred pounds Current money of Mary Land each to be applyed in Aid of the Profits of their other Estate towards Gaining them a more Liberal Education

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Loving wife Anne her Executors & Admin Absolute Property of and in the following Slaves belonging to my Virginia Estate That is to say Dorcas, Guy, Sue, Pleasent, Philis, Nimrod, Mingo, Moll and her Child Lott, Littleton Eunice and her Child Jenny And also the use and Occupation of all my other Negroes in Virginia at the time of my Death that Constantly Labour there on them Plantations or so many of them as she may Chose to retain in her Service for and During the Term of her Natural Life and after her Decease the Absolute Property in the Last mentioned Slaves and their Increase arisseing in the time of the said Occupation to be and vest in my son Nehemiah King and the Children of my Deceased Son Robert King that is

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to say One Moiety or half part of them to my Son Nehemiah King or his Legall Representatives the other Moiety or half of them to be equally divided between the Children of my said Deceased Son Robert King or their Legal Representatives

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Loving wife Anne all my other Moveable Estate on the Eastern Shore of Virginia at her own Disposal be the same of what

Nature or Kind soever that is not by me otherwise or Disposed off in and by this my Last Will and Testament and also the sum of fifty pounds some odd money Maryland Gold Currency Due by Bond from a Certain Moses Wills alias Joseph Stevenson of Worcester County Maryland, together with the Benefitt of a Decree for fifty one pounds odd money in the General Court of Virginia obtained against Mrs Bunele and others ——

Item I Give and Devise unto my said Loving wife Anne and to her heirs and Assigns for ever the Land I Bought of one John Sanford Joining to her Dwelling Plantation. And it is my Will and Desire that the said John Sanford and his heirs be held and bound to Special Warranty thereof only ——

Provided Always And it is the true Intent and meaning of this my Last Will and Testament that if shall so happen which I hope will not that my said wife Notwithstanding the Improvements I have made on her Real Estate shall be Discontented and Refuse to abide by this Will and Accept the Provision I have thereby made for her and shall Claim any part of my Estate Real or Personal in the Province of Maryland or else where not given her by Express Words in this Will that then and in such Case I Give and Devise unto my said wife Anne one third part of my Real Estate for and During the term of her Natural Life and one third part of my Personal Estate to be at her own disposal And that she shall not have any Benefitt or take any Advantage by any of the aforegoing Bequests or Devises in her favour but that she shall be Concluded by her thirds aforesaid and have no more ——

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Nephew Major Henry Ballard the sum of five pounds Current money of Maryland

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Nephew Col.o Jn.o Henry the sum of five pounds Current money of Maryland ——

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Niece Sarah Leatherbury wife of John Leatherbury Twenty shillings Current money of Maryland

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Niece Elizabeth Cashiel wife of Charles Cashiel Twenty Shillings Current money of Maryland

Item I Give and Bequeath unto the Rever.d Mr John Hamilton the sum of Twenty Shillings Current money of Maryland

Jarvis Ballard
Revell Horsey
John Given
John Leath } ——

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Item I Give and bequeath all the Rest and Residue of my Personal Estate whatsoever excluding Negroes not before mentioned and wheresoever the same is or may be to be Devided between my said Son Nehemiah or his proper representatives and Thomas King and Robt Jenkins King the Children of my Deceased Son Robert King that is to say One moiety or half part of such Residue to my said Nehemiah or his Representatives The other Moiety or other half part thereof unto the said Thomas King and Robert Jenkins King to be equally Devided between them or their Legall Representatives

Item It is my Will Request and Desire; That if it may please Almighty God by Death to Remove my Dear Son Nehemiah before the Devises and Bequests in this my Will are fulfilled and Compleated and Complied with Respecting my Grand Children Thomas King and Robert Jenkins King and before they may Respectively arrive at their Ages of Twenty one years That my Nephew Robert Jenkins Henry and his Brother John Henry be Trustees and the Survivor of them a Trustee to have the several Clauses and Intentions of this my Will Respecting or Concerning the said Orphans and each of them Duely performed and Executed and to the purposes aforesaid Hereby upon the Contingency aforesaid I do Vest my said Trustees & the Survivor of them with the same powers and Authority that my said Son Nehemiah is Intrusted with in Regard to my said Grand Children and each of them by Virtue of this my Last Will and Testament

Lastly I do hereby Revoake all former Wills or Testaments by me at any time heretofore made And I do hereby also Nominate Constitute and Appoint my well Beloved Wife Anne and my Son Nehemiah King Executors of this my Last Will and Testament in manner following that is to say my said Wife and Son Nehemiah to be Joint Executors of so much of my Estate and what Concerns the same upon the Eastern Shore in Virginia and also as to the Debt Due from Moses Mills and Joseph Stevenson above mentioned and also as to the Decree in the General Court of Virginia against Alexander Bundle and others And as to All my other Estate and whatsoever Concerns the same in the Province of Maryland or else where Except as before mentioned I Constitute and appoint my said Son Nehemiah whole and sole Executor thereof In Testimony whereof I have to this my Last Will & Testament set my hand and affixed my Seal and also to every Sheet or page thereof this thirteenth day of May in the year of our Lord God one thousand seven hundred fifty and three

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Signed Sealed Published and Declared by the said Robert King as his Last Will and Testament in presence of us The words Pasture Ditch of the in the first page, the name Guy in the fifth page and words the Improvements in the sixth page being first Interlined

Jarvis Ballard
Revell Horsey
Mary Lane

John Givan
John Leatt

} to the foot of the aforegoing Will was the following Probate Viz

On the 26th day of June 1755 Came Jarvis Ballard Revil Horsey and John Givans three of the Subscribing Witnesses to the Will hereunto Annexed who being Duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God Depose and Say that they saw the Testator Robert King Sign and Seal the Will hereunto annexed Containing seven pages and heard him Publish pronounce and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the time of his so Doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of Sound and Disposing mind and Memory And that they severally Subscribed their Respective names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his Request

Sworn Before Benj.a Tasker Comr. General

A Codicil to the before going Will Viz.t

Whereas by my Will I devised unto a Certain Edward Walters in fee Simple some Land Lying on Stevens's Branch in Somerset County upon his Complying with the payment therein mentioned And Whereas among other things Devised to my Grandson Robert Jenkins King I Give and Devise to him and his heirs and Assigns for ever all that part of a Certain Tract of Land called Timber Tract Lying on Stevens's Branch s.d and to the Northward of a Road which Leads from Aaron Silghmans to one Edward Clarks not heretofore Sold or Disposed Off to the aforesaid Edward Walters and Aaron Silghman the younger or either of them to hold the said Residuary or Remaining parcell of Land unto him my said Grandson and his heirs and Assigns for ever And Likewise that he should have all the money produced from that part of the said Land Sold to the said Aaron Silghman the Younger as is and by the same Will Relation being thereto has may fully appear And forasmuch as since my Executing the

foregoing Will some mistake have been Discovered in the Survey of the said Land called Timber Tract by means of which the said Edward Waters my said Grandson and the said Aaron Tilghman the Younger may be Prejudiced It is therefore my Will and Desire that my Son Nehemiah King my Executor in the said Will named shall at the Charge & expence of my Estate use his diligence and with all Convenient Speed get the afor Mistake Rectifyed and the same Tract Legally Secured And I do hereby Confirm the aforesaid devises in my Will to the said Edward Waters my said Grandson Robert Jenkins King and my Sale to the said Aaron Tilghman the Younger Respectively of Land in the said Tract of Land when the same Mistake in the said Survey shall or may be Rectifyed and the Land Legally Secured as aforesaid And I do also devise unto my said Grandson Robert Jenkins King his heirs and Assigns for ever all that part of a Tract of Land called Wharlons Folly which lyes on the North side of the present Publick or County Road which Leads from the head of Buch to Samuel Miles's Mill by me purchased of my said son Nehemiah & and by him this Day Conveyed to me in fee In Testimony whereof I have to this my Codicil to my foregoing Will set my hand and fixed my Seal this 12th Day of July Anno Domini 1754

P. King (Seal)
1731

Levin Wilson
Joshua Riggen
Rachel X her mark Nokam

} affixed to the aforegoing Codicil was the following Probate Viz:

Maryland ss On the Twenty sixth day of June 1755 Came Levin Wilson Joshua Riggin and Rachel Nokam three of the Subscribing Witnesses to the Codicil hereunto Annexed bearing date the 12th day of July 1754 which said Codicil is also annexed to the Last Will and Testament of ~~Colonel~~ Robert King late of Somerset County Deceased who being Duly and Solemnly Sworn on the holy Evangels of Almighty God Depose and say that they saw the Testator Robert King Sign and Seal the Codicil hereunto Annexed and heard him Publish and Declare the same to be his Codicil that at the time of his so Doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of sound and Disposing mind and memory and that they Severally Subscribed their Respective names as Witnesses to the said Codicil in the presence of the said Testator and at his Request

Sworn Before Benj.a Tasker Cond.ry General

A further Codicil to the foregoing Will Viz.

Whereas in the fifth and sixth pages of my Will the following Gifts and Bequests amongst others are Contained and expressed to Wit

I give and Bequeath unto my Loving Wife Anne her Executors and Administrators Absolute Property of and in the following Slaves belonging to my Virginia Estate That is to say Boreas, Guy, Sue, Pleasant, Philis, Nimrod Mango, Moll and her Child Lott, Littleton, Eunice and her Child Jamey and also the use and Occupation of all my other Negroes in Virginia at the time of my Death that Constantly Labour there on them Plantations or so many of them as she may Chuse to Retain in her Service for and During the Term of her Natural Life and after her Decease the Absolute property in the Last mentioned Slaves and their Increase arising in the time of the said Occupation to be and Vest in my Son Nehemiah and the Children of my Deceased son Robert King That is to say one Moiety or half part of them to my son Nehemiah or his Legal Representatives and the other Moiety or half of them to be equally Devided between the Children of my said deceased son Robert King or their Legal Representatives

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Loving wife Anne All my other Moveable Estate on the Eastern Shore of Virginia to her own Disposal be the same of what nature or kind soever that is not by me otherwise Disposed of in and by this my Last Will and Testament And also the sum of fifty pounds some odd money Maryland Gold Currency due by Bond from a Certain Moses Mills and Joseph Stevenson of Worcester County Maryland together with the Benefit of a Decree for fifty one pounds odd money in the General Court of Virginia obtained against Alexander Bundle and others

Item I Give and Devise unto my Said Loving Wife Anne and to her heirs and Assigns for ever the Land I Bought of one John Sandford Adjoining to her Dwelling Plantation And it is my will and Desire that the said John Sandford and his heirs be held and bound to Special Warranty thereof only. And in the same Will is also Contained the following Proviso Provided Always and it is the True Intent and meaning of this my Last Will & Testament That if it shall so happen which I hope will not that my said

wife, notwithstanding the Improvements I have made on the Real Estate, shall be Discontented and Refuse to Abide by this Will and Accept the Provision I have thereby made for her and shall Claim any part of my Estate Real or personal in the Province of Maryland or else where not given her by express words in this Will that then and in such Case I Give and Devise unto my said Wife Anne one Third part of my Real Estate for ever During the term of her Natural Life and one Third part of my Personal Estate to be at her own disposal. And that she shall not have any Benefit or take any Advantage by any of the aforegoing Bequests or Devises in her favour But that she shall be Concluded by her Thirds aforesaid and have no more: which said recited Provisoe and every Clause matter and thing in the before recited Bequests and Devises I do hereby Revoke Annul and make void except what Relates to the Bequest of fifty pounds ads money Maryland Gold Currency due by Bond from Moses Wills and Joseph Newbon of Worcester County Maryland Bequeathed to my Loving wife Anne Together with the Benefit of the Decree for fifty one pounds ads money Obtained in the General Court in Virginia against Alexander Bunde and others.

And also Except the Devise unto my said wife in fee Simple the Land I bought of John Sandfords which I now Establish and Confirm and I do in stead thereof make and substitute the following

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Loving wife Anne the use and occupation of Negroe Leander in Virginia for and During the term of her Natural Life and after her Decease the said Negroe to Return to my Executor in Maryland and by him to be Distributed in the same manner as the Residuary part of my Estate is directed by my Will

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Loving wife the Absolute property in and Disposal of all my Negroes now at the home Plantation in Accomack County in Virginia the before mentioned negroe Dunser excepted and Magetank Plantation in the same County and also Negroes Sarah and Moll now in somerset County in Maryland and all the household furniture plate Stock of horse kind Cattle Sheep and Hoggs at those Virginia Plantations and at the Tangier Islands and the Carts ploows Harrows Axes Hoes the Crop of Indian Corn Tobacco and Flax made Last Year at the Home and Magetank Plantations and now there being

Item I Give and bequeath unto my Loving wife my Chaise and Hat at the Home Plantation in Accomack together with all other my Personal Estate

and Moveables of every kind and Debts Due to me upon the Eastern Shore of Virginia not herein before enumerated to be Disposed of at her pleasure But it is my Will Nevertheless that my Estate on the Eastern Shore of Virginia be Subject to pay of and Discharge my Debts there

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Loving wife two Silver punch Cannes where made at Annapolis and are now in my house at Mordkin in Somerset County And I do Will and Direct that my Son Nehemiah King my Executor in Maryland shall immediately after my Decease Deliver up unto my said wife or her Assigns the above Negroes Sarah and Moll and also within six Callender Months next after my Decease pay unto her or them the sum of Sixty pounds in Current money of Virginia

Item for as much as the Hides have been brought up from Virginia to Merokin to Tann it is my Desire that my son Nehemiah my Executor in Maryland shall Deliver unto my said wife or her Assigns six Hides of Tanned and six hides of Curried Leather for making Shoes for her Negroes

Item It is my Will and Desire that if it may happen that the principal money and Interest on the Bond from Moses Miles and Joseph Stevenson shall be received in my Life time and the same by me or my Order not delivered unto my wife And at my death to be Reckoned as no part of my Estate that then the said sum for prin: money and Interest so received shall by my son Nehemiah my Executor be paid her out of my Maryland Estate

Provided Always And it is my true Intent and meaning that if my said wife shall not abide by this Will and accept the provision I have hereby made for her and shall Claim any part of my Estate Real or Personal in the Province of Maryland or elsewhere not given her by this Will that then and in such Case I give and Devise unto my said wife Anne one third part of my Real Estate for and During her Natural Life and one third part of my personal Estate to be at her own Disposal and that she shall not have or take any Advantage by any of the foregoing bequests or Devises in her favour, But shall be Concluded by her thirds aforesaid and have no more

Item And Whereas By my Will I Bequeathed unto my Grand Daughter Mary Barnes a Negro or Mulatto Girl called Lettice and my Plantation in Virginia which said Girl now comes under and is Included in the above Bequests to my wife My will and Desire therefore is that my son Nehemiah pay her in lieu thereof as my Executor out of my Maryland Estate the sum of thirty pounds Current money of Maryland to be paid in the same manner and under the same Restrictions and Limitations as the money part of her Legacy is Directed by my Will to be paid —

Item Also Whereas by my foregoing Will I did appoint my Loving wife Anne and my Son Nehemiah Joint executors of so much of my Estate and so had Concerns the same upon the Eastern Shore of Virginia and also as to the Debt due from Moses Wills and Joseph Stevenson above mentioned and also as to the Decree in the General Court in Virginia against Alexander Purcle and others In Case my wife shall Decide by my Will and not otherwise. I Revoke that Appointment and hereby Constitute my said wife Sole Executrix of this my Testament and Last Will so far as Relates to those matters only and Desire that my said Executrix may not Inventory my Virginia Estate so as aforesaid by me to her given or to go through a Course of Administration but to receive and pay the Debts as before Directed without any further Charge or Trouble

In Testimony whereof I have also to this Codicil to my foregoing Will Set my hand and fixed my Seal this 27th day of February in the year of our Lord Christ 1755

Robert King (Seal)

Signed Sealed Published and declared by the Testator as a Codicil to his foregoing Last Will and Testament in presence of

Ben Burridge
Revill Horsey
Jonathan Shockley
William Horsey
John Macom

} As the proof of the aforegoing Codicil was wrote the following Probate Viz^t —

Maryland ss

On the 26th day of June 1755 Came Benjamin Burridge Revill Horsey and John Macom three of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Codicil bearing date 27th day of February 1755 and annexed together with one other Codicil to the Last Will and Testament of Robert King

late of Somerset County Deceased who being Duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God Depose and Say that they saw the Testator Robert King Sign and Seal the foregoing Codicil Containing three pages and part of a fourth and heard him Publish and Declare the same to be his Codicil that at the time of his so Doing he was to the Best of their apprehension of sound & Disposing Mind and Memory and that they severally Subscribed their Respective names as Witnesses to the said Codicil in the presence of the said Testator and at his Request Sworn Before Benj.a Tasker Com.r of Gen.l

Annexed to the foregoing Probate was the following Election of Mrs Anne King Widow of the Deceased to abide by the Provisions made for her in the aforegoing Will &c.a Viz.t

Maryland } To wit
Somerset County }

Know all men by these presents that I Anne King widow and Relict of Col.o Robert King late of Somerset County in the Province of Maryland Deceased have made and by these presents Do make my Election and Choice to stand to and abide by the Devises and the Bequests to me made by the Last Will and Testament and the Codicils to the same annexed of the said Robert King my late Husband and I do hereby Relinquish all my Right Title Interest Claim and Demand whatsoever which I Legally have or of Right might have of Dower in the Estate Real of my said Husband and the third part of his Personal Estate and abide by my Election aforesaid only In Testimony whereof I have to these presents set my hand and fixed my Seal this ninth Day of May in the year of our Lord God 1755

Anne King (Seal)

Sealed and Delivered
in presence of
Robert Jenkins Henry
John Williams
John Henry

63 sides

In the name of God Amen the fifth day of December in the year of our Lord 1754 I Solomon Browers of the Province of Maryland in Worc.r County Planter being very sick and weak in body

but of perfect mind and Memory thanks be Given unto God therefore calling to mind the Mortality of my Body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to Die I do make and ordain this to be my Last Will and Testament That is to say Principally and first of all I Give and Recommend my Soul unto the hands of God that gave it and for my Body I Recommend it to the earth to be Buried in a Christian like and Decent manner at the Discretion of my Executor nothing Doubting but at the General Resurection I shall Receive the same again by the mighty power of God and as for my worldly Goods or Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to Bless me in this Life I give Devise and Dispose of the same in the following manner and form

Item. I give and Bequeath unto my son Robert Brewers five shillings Current money of Maryland

Item I give and Bequeath unto my son Joseph Breward the feather Bed whereon I use to Lie

Item I give and Bequeath unto my son James Breward five shillings Current money of Maryland

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Anne Breward five shill. Current money Maryland

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Son Asell Cosden all the Rest of my Personal Estate after my Lawfull Debts are paid and fifty Acres of Land I have Lying in Frederick County on the Western Shore called Rattle Snake Denn to him and his heirs for ever Begotten of my Daughter he the said Asell in maintaining me During my Natural Life and Burying me like a Christian man when I Die

Lastly I Constitute Ordain and appound my Son Asell Cosden my whole and Sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament Revoking all former Wills whatsoever As Witness my hand and Seal the Day and year above written

Solomon Breward (Seal)

Testis William his W Milshier mark
Edward Clemens
Clemmons his X Flintham mark

On the Back of the foregoing Will was wrote the following Probat Viz.

Kent County ss:t. On the fifth day of June 1755 Edward Clemons and Clemmons Flintham the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will of Solomon Breward Deceased being Sworn on the holy Evangels Deposed and Declared that they saw the said Solomon Breward the Testator Sign and Seal the same Will

and heard him Publish and Declare the same to be his Last Will & Testam
that at the time of his so Doing he was to the best of their Knowledge and
apprehension of Sound and Disposing mind and Memory and that they
the Said Deponants together with William Wilshire the other Sub=
scribing Witness within named Subscribed their Respective names
as Witnesses to the same Will in the Presence of and at the Request
of the said Testator and that they gave Notice to Robert Brewer
the heir at Law who Said he had no objection to the proving the
within Will

Sworn Before
Joseph Nicholson
Dep^y Com^r of Kent County

A/2 sides —

In the name of God Amen I John Fenley of Chester Town
in Kent County and Province of Maryland house Carpenter being of
Sound and perfect mind and Memory Thanks be to God for the same
do make Ordain Constitute and appoint this my Last will and
Testament in manner and form following hereby Revoking Annulling
and making void all former and other Will or Wills whatsoever
heretofore by me made that is to say

First I Will that all my Debts be well and Truely paid by my
Executrix hereafter named

Item I Give and Bequeath unto Henrietta Fenley who now
lives and Dwells with me and is my Reputed Daughter after my wifes
Dirges shall be paid the Residue of all my Goods and Chattels and other Estate
whatsoever which I have in the world To have and to hold the same
unto her the same Henrietta her heirs Executors Administrators and
Assigns for ever And Lastly I do hereby Constitute name and
appoint my wife Margaret Fenley Executrix of this my Last
Will and Testament In Testimony whereof I have hereunto
set my hand and Seal this third Day of May Anno Domini
seventeen hundred and fifty

John Fenley (Seal)

Signed Sealed & Delivered & published
and Declared by the Testator aforesaid
to be his Last Will & Testament in
presence of us John Temple Parsons
James Quin
Elizabeth her X mark Arnold

On the Back of the afore
going Will was wrote the
following Probate Viz^d

Kent County ss: On the 3: day of June 1755 John Temple Parsons one of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will of John Findley the Testator within named being Sworn on the holy Evangels Deposes and Declares that he saw the Said Testator Sign and seal the same Will and heard him Publish and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament; That at the same time he was of sound & disposing mind and Memory to the best of his knowledge and apprehension; That he this Deponent together with James Quinn and Elizabeth Arnold the other two Subscribing Witnesses within named Subscribed their Respective names as Witnesses to the same Will in the presence and at the Request of the said Testator

Sworn before Joseph Nicholson D: Com: of Kent County

3 sides

In the name of God Amen I Samuel Tovey of Kent County in the Province of Maryland being at this time Sick and weak in Body but of God Sound Disposing Mind and Memory thanks be to Almighty God for Doe make Ordain and Declare this to be my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following

Imprimis First Give my Soul unto the hands of Almighty God who gave it me first hoping at the General Resurection of the Just to receive the same again with full Pardon and Remmission of my past Sins through the Merattorious Death and Passion of my Blessed Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ and my Body to the Earth to be Buried in a Christian like manner at the Discretion of my Executrix hereafter named and as Touching what worldly Estate the Lord on Mercy hath Bestowed on me I give and Bequeath in manner and form following

First I Will That all my Just Debts be paid as soon as possible after my Decease

2dly I give Bequeath and Devise unto my Loving wife Mary all my Real and Personal Estate During her Natural Life

3dly I give Bequeath and Devise unto my Loveing Cousin Wm Ringgold Son of my Deceased sister Mary after the Decease of my Loving wife Mary all that Tract of Land lying in Kent County and on the West side of Grason Creek called or known by the name of Troeyes Lott all which said Land I give Bequeath and Devise unto the Said William Ringgold and his heirs and Assigns for ever

4thly I Give Bequeath and Devise unto my Loving Cousin James Ringgold Son of my Deceased Sister Mary after the Decease of my Loving wife Mary a Tract of Land Lying in Ann Arundel County and between the heads of South and Severn Rivers called by the name of Abington and all my Right and Title to any other Lands lying in the said County all which said Tract called Abington and all my Right to any other Lands as aforesaid I Give Bequeath and Devise unto my afsd Cousin James and his heirs and Assigns for ever

5thly I Give unto my Sister Elizd. now wife of James Spinder one Bistole to Buy her a mourning Ring

Lastly I Nominate Ordain and Appoint my Loveing wife Mary whole and Sole Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament utterly Revokeing making Null and Void all other Will or Wills by me heretofore by me made in anywise whatever In Witness whereof I the said Samuel Tovey have hereunto Set my hand and fixed my Seal this 14th day of November in the year of our Lord Christ 1753

Sam: Tovey (Seal)

Signed Sealed Published Acknowledged and Declared by the Testator to be his Last Will and Testament in our presence and we Subscribe as Witnesses in his presence & at his Request

Ra: Page
Benja Rockett
Ephraim Glenn

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was wrote the following Probate Viz

Kent County ss: On the 19th day of June 1755 Ralph Page & Benjamin Rockett Subscribing Witnesses to the within Written Will of Sam Tovey the Testator within named being Sworn on the Holy Evangels Deposes & declares that they saw the said Testator Samuel Tovey Sign and Seal the same Will and heard him Publish and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the time of his so Doing he was to the best of their knowledge & apprehension of Sound and Disposing mind & memory that the said Deponants together wth Ephraim Glenn the other subscribing Witness within named Subscribed their Respective names as Witnesses to the same Will in the presence and at the Request of the said Testator This done at the Instance of the Heir who said he had no Objection to the Proving the within Will. Sworn before Joseph Nicholson
D: Commy Kent County

Wills

In the name of God Amen the seventh day of April in the year of our Lord 1755 I John Garland of Kent County in the Province of Maryland Weaver being very sick and weak in Body but of Perfect mind and Memory thanks be Given to God therefore calling to mind the Mortality of my Body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do make and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament that is to say Principally and first of all I give and Recommend my soul unto the hands of God that gave it and for my Body I Commend it to the Earth to be Buried in a Christian like and Decent manner at the Discretion of my Executors nothing Doubting but at the General Resurrection I shall Receive the same again by the mighty Power of God and as touching such Worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to Bless me with in this Life I give Devise and Dispose of the same in the following manner and form

Imprimis I give and Bequeath unto my Son John Garland my Dwelling Plantation with all the Land thereunto Belonging Called Ellises Chance quantity Two hundred and seventy four Acres to him and his heirs for ever

and out of the aforesaid Two hundred and seventy Acres of Land by mistake seventy four Acres called Fortune

Item I give unto my Son William Garland Two hundred and fifty Acres of Land being part of a Tract of Land called Ellises Chance to him and his heirs for ever

Item My Will is that my Son John Garland shall pay unto my Son Benjamin Garland fifty pounds Current money out of the aforesaid Land that I gave him

Item My Will is that my Son William Garland shall pay unto my Son James Garland fourty pounds Current money out of the aforesaid Land that I gave him

Item My Will is also after my Just debts be paid that the Rest or Remainder part of my moveable Estate when my Beloved wife Christaniah Thirds be deducted out to be Equally Divided between my six Children that is to say Mary Garland Jemmet Garland Anne Garland Hannah Garland Catharine Garland and Sarah Garland

Item I also Likewise Constitute make and Ordain my Beloved wife Christaniah Garland my only and Sole Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament and I do hereby utterly Disallow Revoke and disannull all and every former Testaments Wills and Legacys Bequests and Executors by me in anywise before this named Willed and Bequeathed Ratifying and Confirming this and no other

to be my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal the Day and Year above written

Signed Sealed Published Pronounced and Declared by the said John Garland as his Last Will and Testament In the presence of us the Subscribers Viz.t

John Garland (Seal)

Thos Gould
William Clark
Dennis Barrett

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was wrote the following Probate Viz.t

Kent County ss. On the 20th day of May 1755 Thomas Gold Dennis Clark and Dennis Barrett the subscribing Witnesses to the within written Will of John Garland the Testator within named being Sworn on the Holy Evangels Deposes and declares that they saw the said Testator Sign and Seal the same Will and heard him Publish and Declare the same to be his last Will and Testament that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their Knowledge & Apprehension of sound and Disposing mind and memory and that they the said Deponants subscribed their Respective names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request

This done in the presence John Garland the heir at Law of the Testator who made no objection thereto

6 sides — Sworn before Joseph Nicholson Com.r K.t Cnty

In the name of God Amen I Elizabeth Brook of George Town in Kent County Maryland being at present of sound and Disposing Mind and Memory and Mindfull of my Mortality do make this my last Will and Testament in manner following Viz.t

I give and Bequeath to my friend John Fling of George Town in Kent County Butcher his heirs and Assigns for ever all my Estate whatsoever both Real and personal save my wearing apparel which I hereby give and Bequeath to my Beloved friend Hanah Gray wife of John Gray of George Town aforesaid Ferryman And Lastly I do hereby make the aforesaid John Fling Executor of this my Last Will and Testament hereby Revoking any Will or Testament

by me heretofore made In Testimony whereof I have hereunto this Twenty sixth day of November in the year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and fifty four affixed my hand and Seale

Signed Sealed and Published as the Last Will and Testament of Elizabeth Burk in Presence of } Elizabeth her X mark Burk

Ja: Hunter
Rich: Coster } On the Back of the aforegoing Will was wrote the following Probate Viz:

Kent County ss: On the 31st day of May 1755 James Hunter and Richard Coster Subscribing Witnesses of the Last Will and Testament of Elizabeth Burk Deceased being Duly Sworn on the Holy Evangels Deposed and Declared that they saw the Testator within named Sign and Seal the within Will and heard her Publish and Declare the same to be her Last Will and Testament that at the same time she was to the Best of their Knowledge and Apprehension of Sound and Disposing mind and Memory and that they the said Deponants subscribed their Respective names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at her Request. Sworn Before Joseph Nicholson Commr. K. County

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In the name of God Amen the sixth day of December in the year of our Lord Christ one thousand seven hundred and fifty four I Jacob Jones of Kent County in Maryland Esq: being very sick and weak in Body but of perfect mind and Memory Thanks be Given unto God Therefore calling unto mind the Mortality of my Body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to Die do make and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament that is to say principally and first of all I give and Recommend my Soul unto the hands of Almighty God that Gave it and my Body I Recommend to the Earth to be Buried in a Decent Christian Burial at the Discretion of my Executrix nothing Doubting But at the General Resurection I shall Receive the same again By the mighty power of God and as Touching such worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to Bless me with in this Life I Give Demise and Dispose of the same in the following manner and form

First my Will is that all my Just Debts and Funeral Charges be paid and Satisfied

Secondly I Give and Bequeath to Elizabeth my Dearly Beloved wife my Riding Chair with all the harness thereunto belonging to her proper use forever exclusive of any appraisement

Thirdly I Give To my Beloved wife Elizabeth During her natural Life all the Plate as follows Viz.t &c.a one Large Soop Spoon marked I · E and six large Table Spoons marked with I I & E I in a Cypher and also six other Table Spoons with no mark on them only the makers name Stamped on them thus I BALY and a Shagreen Spoon Case and six Tea Spoons and a pair of Tea Tongs all marked with E · I to her proper use During her Natural Life exclusive of any appraisement and after his Decease to be equally Divided between my five Daughters Viz.t Martha Jones Priscilla Hannah Mary and Elizabeth Jones to them and their use forever.

Fourthly I Give and Bequeath to my Executrix hereafter mention the sum of Twenty pounds Current money of Maryland to be expended towards Cloathing my Grand Daughter Mary Ringgold untill she arrives at the age of sixteen years and In=case my Executrix should die before the whole is expended then the Residue to be paid to the said Mary Ringgold when she arrives to the age of Sixteen years

fifthly I Give and Bequeath to Elizabeth my Beloved wife a Tract of Land called Jones's Addition Containing ninety Acres and also another Tract of Land called Jones's Adventure Containing Twenty seven Acres to her use During her Natural Life and after her decease the aforesaid Land to be equally Divided amongst my five Daughters Viz.t Martha Jones Priscilla Hannah Mary and Elizabeth Jones to them and their heirs for ever

Sixthly I Give and Bequeath unto my five Daughters before mentioned a Tract of Land called Huckleberry Ridge Containing three hundred and seventy two Acres to be equally Divided between my five Daughters Viz.t Martha Priscilla Hannah Mary and Elizabeth Jones and their heirs for ever

Seventhly I Give and Bequeath unto my Grand Daughter Mary Ringgold my Negro Girl named Lucy to be delivered to her the said Mary Ringgold by my executrix hereafter mentioned when she the said Mary Ringgold arrives to the age of Sixteen but in Case the said Mary Ringgold should not live to the age of Sixteen then I do Order and Will that the said Negroe Girl Lucey shall be given amongst my five Daughters Viz.t Martha Priscilla Hannah Mary and Elizabeth Jones to be by them equally divided

Eighthly I give and Bequeath to my Grandson Jacob Ringgold the sum of fifty pounds Current money of Mary Land to be paid by my Executrix hereafter mentioned when the said Jacob Ringgold arrives to the age of Twenty one years But in Case the said Jacob Ringgold should Die before he arrives to the age of Twenty one then the aforesd fifty pounds to be equally Divided between my five Daughters viz Martha Priscilla Hannah Mary and Elizabeth Jones to their proper use

Ninthly I do hereby Order and it is my Will That my Two Grand Children Mary Ringgold and Jacob Ringgold shall have no part or Share of my Estate any other than what has been before Devised and Willed to them by this Will

Tenthly I give and Bequeath to my Beloved wife Elizabeth the Third part of all my Personal Estate that is to say of what is Remaining after all the foresaid Legacies and Debts and Charges be paid and Satisfyed

Eleventhly After all my Debts and Legacies afsd and my wives Third before mentioned be taken out of my Estate as afsd Then I give and Bequeath unto my five Daughters afsd all the Residue and Remainder of my Estate Real and Personal to be equally Divided amongst my five Daughters afsd viz Martha Priscilla Hannah Mary and Elizabeth Jones and their heirs for ever

Twelfthly I do hereby Constitute make & Ordain my Beloved wife Elizabeth Jones my Sole Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament And I do hereby Utterly Disallow Revoke and Disannull all and every other former Testaments Wills Legacys Bequests and Executors by me in anywise before named Willed and Bequeathed Ratifying this and no other to be my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal the day and year above written

Signed Sealed Published Pronounced & Declared by the said Jacob Jones as his Last Will and Testament in the presence of us the Subscribers } Jacob Jones (Seal)

Peter Stoutt
John Cloake
Joseph Rogers } On the Back of the aforegoing Will was wrote the following Probate viz:

Kent County s.s. On the 29th Day of May 1755 Peter Stoutt and John Cloake Subscribing Witnesses to the within written Will of Jacob Jones the Testator within named being Sworn on the holy Evangels Deposed and Declared that they saw the sais Testator Jacob Jones Sign and Seal the same

Will and heard him Publish and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament That at the time of his so Doing he was to the best of their Knowledge and Appre-hension of Sound and Disposing mind and Memory That they the said Deponants together with Joseph Rogers the other Subscribing Witness within named subscribed their Respective names as Witnesses to the same Will in the presence and at the Request of the said Testator

10 fees — Sworn Before Joseph Nicholson Q. Commry Kent County

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In the Name of God Amen I John Griggs of P. Integers hundred in Queens County Maryland knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die and Considering the uncertainty of the time do make and or-dain this my Last Will and Testament first Bequeathing my Soul to Almighty God that gave it hopeing through the Merits of my Blessed Saviour to Receive Remmission of all my Sins and leave my Body to be Burried at the Discretion of my Executors hereafter named — Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Loving Nephew John Griggs son of William Griggs one Young Cow and Calf to him and his heirs for ever —

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Grand Daughter Elizabeth Lowrey one Cow and Calf to her and her heirs for ever also one feather Bed and furniture —

Item I Give and Bequeath to my Daughter Sarah Allison one shilling Sterling to be paid out of my Estate and no more

Item I give unto my Loving wife Eliz.th Griggs all the Remaining part of my Estate after my Lawfull Debts are paid and that Cow and Calf which is to John Griggs also my Will is that the Cow and Calf and the Bed that was Given unto my Grand Daughter should be in my wifes Possession untill the aforesaid Girl comes of age

Item I Leave my Beloved wife Elizabeth Griggs Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this 19th day of Septem.: 1754

Signed Sealed & delivered in presence of
John Thomas
Sarah her ⊿ mark Macdaniel

Also my Will is that after the death of my wife that my Estate should be equally devided between my three Daughters Viz.t Mary Beal Marg.t Jones & Susanah Sanner

Jno.: his ⊗ mark Griggs (Seal)

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was wrote the following Probate Viz.

St Marys County ss. June 9th 1755 Then John Thomas and Sarah MacDaniel the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being Duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God Depose and Say that they saw the Testator John Griggs Sign the foregoing Will and heard him Publish and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament, That at the time of his so Doing he was to the best of their apprehension of Sound and Disposing mind & memory

4 folios — Sworn Before me Tho: Misquith Deputy Commry of St Marys County —

In the name of God amen the Eighth Day of March and in the year of Our Lord God One thousand seven hundred and fifty five I Joseph White of St Marys County being in whole mind and in good and perfect Memory praised be to Almighty God make and Ordain this my present Testament in manner and form as followeth Viz

Item I give unto my Son James White all that Tract of Land Lying in Courses neck and also called by the name of Courses to him the said James White and to his heirs forever in full of his part of my Estate.

I also give to my dear well Beloved wife Anne White my Dwelling Plantation I now Dwell on During her natural Life then after the Decease of Anne my wife I give the above said Land with the Benefits thereof unto my Daughter Peggy and to her heirs for ever, in full part of my Estate.

Item I Give to my Two Daughters Elizabeth and Darkey the Rest of my Moveable Estate to them and their heirs to be equally Devided between them.

And Also Approve and Constitute my Dear Beloved wife my whole & sole Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament In Testimony whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal the day and year above written. Joseph his mark White (Seal)

Signed Sealed and Delivered in the Presence of the Testator Witnesseth Thos: Griffin

Thomas Jeanes
John Langley

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was wrote the following Probate Viz

St Marys County ss. June 30th 1755 Then Thomas Griffin Thomas Jeans and John Langley the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being Duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God Depose and say that they saw the Testator Joseph White sign the foregoing Will and heard him Publish and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament That at the time of his so Doing he was to the best of their apprehension of Sound and Disposing mind and Memory and that they Subscribed

their Respective names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his Request Sworn Before me } Thos Hisquith Depty Commrs of St Marys County

At the foot of the said Probate was wrote the following Certificate Vizt

June 30th 1755 I hereby Certify that the Deceased's Widow made her Election and stands to the Will as to the Real Estate and takes her Thirds of the personal Estate Certifyed by me Thos Hisquith Depty Commrs of St Marys Coty

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In the name of God Amen the fifteenth Day of July 1754 I Walter Davis of St Marys County being Sick and weak in Body but of perfect mind and Memory thanks be to my Creator therefore calling to mind the Mortality of my Body And knowing that it is appointed for all men to Die do make and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament that is to say Principally and first of all I give and Recommend my Soul unto the hands of God that Gave it and my Body I Recommend to Earth to be Buried in a Decent Christian manner at the Discretion of my well beloved wife and as Touching such worldly Estate wherewith God hath pleased to bless me with I give Demise and Dispose of in the following form.

Imprimis I give unto my Beloved wife Sarah all my Dwelling Plantation that is Inclosed at this present within my fences during her Natural Life Notwithstanding I debare her from Cutting any Timber or Clearing any Ground excepting what necessity Requires for the Support of the aforesaid Plantation to keep it in Repair

Item I give my aforesaid Beloved wife Sarah all my Right & title to a Plantation Sealed by Mr Thomas Freeder to me according to the Nature and Tenor thereof During her Natural Life

Item I give unto my well Beloved son Walter Davis after the Decease of my well Beloved wife all my Dwelling Plantation to him his heirs Executors Administrators or Assigns for ever

Item I give unto each and every of my former Children by my former wife one shilling Sterling or the Value thereof

Item I give unto my Daughter Anne Davis when she arrives at age or the Day of Marriage a Negroe Girl called Lucy

Item I give unto my Son Anthony Davis a Negroe Boy called Joseph when he arrives at age or the Day of Marriage

Item I give unto my Daughter Rosanna Davis when she arrives at age or the Day of Marriage one Negroe Girl called Margaret

Item I give my three Daughters Mary Elizabeth and Sarah Davis to each one young Cow and Calf and one Ewe Lamb when they arrive at age or the Day of Marriage

Item I give unto my Son Peter Davis the Bed and Bed Cloaths I now lye on I give power

Item I give unto my Son Stephen one Large pott and pott Rack

Item I give my Son John Barton Davis one Colt ack and one ewe and Lamb

Item I give unto my well beloved wife Sarah Davis all the Rest of my Personal Estate whom I Likewise Constitute make and Ordain my Sole Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament and I do hereby utterly Disallow Revoke and Disannul all and every other former Wills and Testaments Confirming this and no other to be my Last Will and Testament In Testimony whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal the Day and year above written

Signed Sealed and Delivered
In presence of us

Anthony Roberts
Peter his P H mark Howard
John Roberts

Walter his W D mark Davis (Seal)

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was the following Probate Viz:

St Marys County ss 17th April 1755 Then Anthony Roberts Peter Howard and John Roberts the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being Duly and Solemnly Sworn on the holy Evangelist of Almighty God Depose and Say that they saw the Testator Walter Davis Sign the foregoing Will and heard him Publish and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the time of his So Doing he was to the Best of their Apprehension of sound and disposing mind and Memory and that they Subscribed their Respective names as Witnesses to the Said Will in the presence of the Said Testator and at his Request Sworn before me Thos. Hisquith Depty Comm.y of St Marys Coty

The day and year above Said the Deceased's Widow made her Election and Stands to the Will Certifyed by me Thos. Hisquith D. Comm.y of St Marys County

Sides

In the name of God Amen I Jean Hendley of St Marys County in the Province of Maryland being Sick and weak of Body but of perfect mind and memory and understanding thanks be to God do make Ordain and Constitute this my Last Will and Testament as follows Imprimis I Recommend my Soul unto the hands of Almighty God from whom I Received it putting my hopes and

Confidence in the Merits of my Dear Redeemer and Saviour Jesus Christ hoping to obtain Everlasting Bless in his heavenly Kingdom And as for what Worldly Goods it hath pleased God to Bless me with I Bequeath in the manner following — First My Will is that my Son Jeremiah Hendley shall have the whole and sole Care of my Son James Hendley and his Estate till he arrives of age to Receive the Same —

Secondly My Will is that whatever Estate I have acquired since my Husbands decease shall be equally Divided amongst my Daughters

Lastly I leave my Son Jeremiah Hendley Executor of this my Last Will and Testament As Witness my hand and Seal this 10th Day of March Anno Domini 1755

Signed Sealed and Acknowledged to be the Last Will and Testament of Jane Hendley before us — } Jane her O mark Hendley (Seal)

Nicholas Lewis Sewall
Wm Cavenough
Mary Cavenough } In the Back of the aforegoing Will was wrote the following Probate Viz:

St Marys County ss: May 19th 1755 Then came Nicholas Lewis Sewall and William Cavenough two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being Duly and Solemnly Sworn on the holy Evangelists of Almighty God Depose and say that they saw the Testatrix Jane Hendley sign the foregoing Will and heard her Publish and Declare the same to be her last Will and Testament that at the time of her so doing she was to the best of their apprehension of Sound and Disposing mind and Memory and that they saw Mary Cavenough Sign at the same time as a Witness to the Said Will in the presence of the Testatrix

Sworn before me Thos Aisquith Dep: Comy of St Marys County

3 sides

In the name of God Amen I Rachel Du Hamel of Queen Annes County in the Province of Maryland being Sick and weak in Body but of perfect mind and memory and calling to mind the Mortality of my Body and that it appointed for all men once to die do make and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form as followeth Viz:

First Give and Recommend my Soul unto the hands of God that Gave it

and for such worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to Bless me with I give in manner following
as for my Body I Commit it to the Earth to be buried in a Christian like manner at the Discretion of
Executor hereafter named I give to my Son James all the Tract or Plantation whereon I now Dwell
called Timber Swamp as Likewise my Best feather Bed and the Furniture one Great Loom one great
Glass Chest of Drawers and one pair of Holland Sheets To him his heirs and Assigns for ever

I give to my Son John one hundred and Twenty four Acres of Land being part of a Tract of Land
in County called Hymons Lott together with the equal half part of the Marsh belonging to said
Tract of Land as Likewise the feather Bed whereon he lies with the furniture thereunto belonging
and one Large Table to him his heirs and Assigns for ever

I give to my Daughter Anne Seventy six Acres of Land being the other part of above Tract
called Hymons Lott together with the other equal half part of the said Marsh belonging to said
Land a small Feather Bed with the furniture As Likewise one Silver Snuff Box one Silver
Spoon a Silver hook and Chain of a pin Cushion and Silver Tooth Picker to her her heirs and
Assigns for ever And for all the Remaining part of my Estate after my Debts are paid I give
to be equally Divided among my Son James my Son John and my Daughter Anne But if
either my Son John or my Daughter Anne die without Issue then the Longest Liver
of them two to possess the others Estate And I do hereby Constitute and Appoint my Son
James my Sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament And I do hereby Revoke
and Disannull all former Wills and Testaments or Legacies by me heretofore made or
Given Ratifying and Confirming this and no other to be my Last will and Testament
In Testimony whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal this Twenty fifth day of
April in the year of our Lord Christ one thousand seven hundred and fifty five

Sealed and Delivered
In presence of
George Personed
Rachel Bruff

Rachel Ouhamel (Seal)

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was the following Probate
viz

Queen Ann's County ss: The 15th May 1755 George Personed and
Rachel Bruff the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being Duly and Solemnly
Sworn on the holy Evangelis of Almighty God do Depose and say That they saw the
Testatrix Rachel Ouhamel Sign the same Will and heard her Publish and Declare it
to be her Last Will and Testament. That at the time of her so Doing She was to
the Best of her Apprehension of Sound and Disposing mind and Memory And that
they did Subscribe their Respective Names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence
of the said Testatrix and at her Request Sworn Before me Wm Silghman Dep. Comm
of Queen Anns County

In the name of God amen I Thomas Stanton of Queen Anns County in the Province of Mary Land Planter being Sick and weak of Body but of sound mind and Perfect Memory do Constitute Ordain and appoint this my Last Will and Testament Revoking all other Wills

Imprs first I Commit my Soul to Almighty God and my Body to be buried

Secondly I give and Bequeath unto my Son Thomas Stanton and to his heirs forever my now Dwelling Plantation with Two hundred and forty Acres of Land thereto belonging and Adjoining

Thirdly I give and Bequeath all my Personal Estate be Equaly Devided between all and every of my Children

fourthly and Lastly I Ordain Constitute and appoint my above mentioned Son Thomas Stanton my Sole and whole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have this seventeenth Day of March in the year one thousand seven hundred and fifty five Set my hand and Seal. Signed Sealed and acknowledged before

John Burnett
Alex: Downey
Elizabeth her X mark Swift
Thomas Hammond

his
Thomas Stanton Seal
mark

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was wrote the following Probate Viz:t

Queen Ann's County ss: The 26th June 1755 John Bennett Alexander Downey and Elizabeth Swift three of the Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will being duly and solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God do depose and say that they Saw the Testator Thomas Stanton Sign the same Will and heard him Publish and Declare it to be his Last Will and Testament That at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of sound and disposing mind and memory and that they did Subscribe their Respective names and mark as Witnesses to the said Will in the presesence of the said Testator and at his Request

Sworn Before me Wm Tilghman Deptj Commry of Queen Ann's County

2½ sides
The Executor informs me that Wm Stanton Heir at Law to the Testator has been gone out of the Country Sevetal years

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In the name of God amen I George Slater of St. Marys County in the Province of Mary Land Esq: being in perfect health of Body and of

Sound and Disposing mind and Memory Praised be God for the same but Considering the frailty and uncertainty of Humane Life do make and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say First and principally I Commend my Soul unto the hands of Almighty God my Heavenly Father hopeing through the Merits Death and Passion of our Blessed Savour Jesus Christ to Obtain free and free Pardon and forgiveness of all my Sins and to Inherit Eternal Life, My Body I Committ to the earth to be Decently but Privately Buried at the Discretion of my Executors hereafter named And as Touching such Worldly Estate as it has pleased Almighty God of his great Goodness to bestow upon me I do give and Dispose thereof as follows Viz

Imprimis I Give and Devise to my Beloved Son George Slater all my Real Estate which I shall Die Possessed of or have any Right to within this Province England or else where to him and his heirs for ever

Item I Give and Bequeath to my Two Daughters Anne and Elizabeth five hundred pounds Sterling a piece to be paid them by my Executors hereafter mentioned at the age of Twenty one years or Day of Marriage which shall first happen in manner following that is to say Six hundred pounds due to me from John Taylor of Virginia Esq: on Bond to be paid of the said one thousand pounds and the Remaining four hundred pounds to be Raised and paid out of the money due to me on other Securitys or Book Debts or moneys in the hands of any Merchants in England at the time of my decease which Debts ammount to Considerably more than the said four hundred pounds And my further Will and mind is that the Interest of the said five hundred pounds to my Daughter Anne and five hundred pounds to my Daughter Elizabeth as before Bequeathed shall be paid to my two Daughters Annually by my said Executors for their Support and maintenance untill they Shall Severally attain to the said Age of Twenty one years or be married. Item I give Devise and Bequeath to my Son George Slater all the Rest and Residue of my Real and Personal Estate of what kind or Nature soever to be paid and Delivered to him by my said Executors when he shall Attain to the age of Twenty one years And as I know of no Demand or Claim against me of any Value my Will is that no Debt be paid out of my Estate but such as are proved according to Law.

Item I give to the poor of the Parish where I now Live and hope to Die the sum of fifty pounds

Item I do Nominate and appoint my Son in Law John Taylor Esq: above mentioned and my Good friend Major Abraham Barnes of St Marys County aforesaid

Joint Executors of this my Will and Trustees and Guardians to my said Children hereby Revoaking all former Wills by me at any time heretofore made

Item I give to my said Executors Ten Guineas a piece to Buy them Mourning

And I do Request my Dear friends Daniel Dulany Edmund Jennings and Philip Key Esq.rs to Advise my Children and my said Executors in Relation to them and the Execution of this my Will And in Case my Son George shall Die Sole and unmarried before he Attain to the Age of Twenty one years I do give and Bequeath unto the Said Abraham Barnes if he takes upon himself the Burthen of the Execution of this my Will Two hundred pounds Sterling

In Witness whereof I the Said George Slater have to Two parts of this my Last Will both of the same Tenor and Date Set my hand and Seal this ninth Day of August 1751 In the 25th year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord George the 2d over Great Britain &c

Signed Sealed Published & Declared to be the Last Will and Testament of George Slater before us who at his Request and in his presence have subscribed our names as Witnesses to the same

Philip Key
Robert Chesley

Geo Slater (Seal)

Gilbt Ireland

Annexed to the foregoing Will was the following Schedule viz.t

		No. of Acres
In what Countys	A Schedule of the Lands devised my Son George Slater by my Will to which this is Annexed	
St Marys	St Joseph's Mannor	1350
	Resurrection Mannor & part of Glenwick Mann.r	5200
	Hazard w.th 7 Escheates Adjoining on Resurrect.n Mannor M.r George Bowles Tenant	234
	Stewarts Hope near the head of Clements Bay	134
	One Lott Messuage and Tenement in Leonard Town Stourton Edwards Tenant	1
Prince Georges County	A Moiety of Swan and Batchellors Harbour M.r Hawkins has these Deeds	600
Baltimore Coty	A Moiety of Tasker's Camp Will.m Young these deeds	250
Anne Arundel	A Dwelling house and part of a Lott in the City of Annapolis	
Dorchester Coty	A Tract of Land of my Grandfathers call.d Burfords Choice	500

Hereuch County The Sugar Lands or Brightwells Hunting Quarter ——— 1086
Bradfords Rest ——— 4295
13650

On the Back of the foregoing was wrote the following Probate Vizt. — } Geo Slater 51 —

St Marys County ss June 6th 1755 Then Came Philip Key and Robert Chesley two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being Duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God depose and say that they Saw the Testator George Slater Sign the foregoing Will and heard him Publish and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the time of his so Doing he was to the best of their apprehension of sound and Disposing mind and Memory and that they Subscribed their Respective names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his Request and that they saw Gilbert Ireland Sign at the same time as a Witness to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his Request

Sworn before me Thos. Sisquith Depty Commissary of St Marys County

9 Sides

St Marys County ss. February 4th 1755

Then Came James Watson Peter Walker Ann Bloxham and Leah Ward who being Duly Sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God Declares that they were present with Mary Ludwell on the Twenty fourth Day of January Last then Lying very Sick and Likely to die and being Desired by the said Mary Ludwell to bear Witness to her Last Will and Testament which were in words as follows

I Leave my Child Ann Waters Davis Hutton to Elizabeth Brady until she Comes of age and that she gave her a Child the Track of Land whereon she Lives to her and her heirs and if she Died without heirs then to fall to her Sister Elizabeth Brady and these Deponants further Declare that they heard the abovesaid Mary Ludwell Declare this to be her Will and Desired it to be Rote but she departed this Life before it Could be done and they further Declare that she was to the best of their Knowledge and apprehension at the time of makeing these Bequests of Sound and Disposing mind and Memory Sworn before me Thos. Sisquith Depty Comy of St Marys County

2 sides

In the Name of God Amen The Eighteenth day of June in the year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and fifty four 1754 I George Rigdon Senr. of Calvert upper

hundred in the County of Baltimore being sick and weak in Body but of perfect mind and memory thanks be given to God therefore Calling to mind the Mortality of Body and knowing it is appointed for all men once to die

Do make and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament That is to say principally and first of all I give and Recommend my Soul to God that gave it and my Body I Recommend to the Earth to be Burried in a Christian like manner at the Discretion of my Executors Nothing Doubting but at the General Resurrection I shall Receive the same by the mighty power of God And as Touching such worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to Bless me in this Life I give Bequeath and dispose of the same in the following manner

Imprimis I give to my dearly Beloved wife Elizabeth all my Moveable Estate to Enjoy Possess and dispose of as she shall think meet and a Peaceable possession of the house wherein I now dwell with a full and Entire Privilege of Tract of Land called Kiddyminster and the Tract called Rigdons Escape as far as the Branch called by me Kiddymenster Branch during her Life Item I give and devise unto my Eldest Son George Rigdon one English Shilling and no more by Reason he has already had his Share Item I devise and give to my second son Thomas Rigdon all that Tract of Land whereon he now doth dwell to him and his heirs and Assigns for ever Item I give to my third Son John Rigdon all that Tract of Land called Fathers Gift to him and his heirs and Assigns Item I give to my fifth Son Enoch Rigdon all that Tract of Land called Long Alley to him and his heirs and Assigns for ever Item I give to my fourth Son William Rigdon and to my sixth Son Stephen Rigdon all them Two Tracts of Land called Kiddyminster and Rigdons Escape each to have that part whereon they now dwell and the Branch called by me Kiddyminster Branch to be the Division between together with its several Courses That is to say William shall have the Land to the Westward of said Branch and Stephen is to have the Lands to the Eastward of said Branch I also devise to my Son Stephen all that Tract of Land called Hazzard to him and to his heirs and Assigns for ever

And Lastly I Constitute Ordain and appoint my Son Thomas and my Son William Executors of this my Last Will and Testament

And Desires it may be held by all People as my Last Will and Testament hereby Revoaking and making void all other Wills and Testaments heretofore by me made or Declared either by word of Mouth or in writing In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal the Day and year first above written

Signed Sealed Published & Declared
In the presence of us

Walter his W mark Billingslea
Sarah mark Billingslea
John Forwood

George his mark Rigdon Senr (Seal)

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was wrote the following Probate Viz^t

July 16th 1755 Then came Walter Billingsley and made oath on the Holy Evangelist that he saw the Testator George Rigdon Sign the within Will and heard him Publish and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament and at the same time Sarah Billingsley wife of the aforesaid Walter and John Forwood Both being Quakers Solemnly Affirmed that they saw the said Testator Sign the within Will and heard him Publish and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament That at the time of his so Doing he was to the best of all their apprehensions of Sound and Disposing mind and Memory And that they Subscribed their Respective names as Witnesses to the Said Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his Request

Sworn and affirmed before W Young Dep^y Comm^ry Baltimore County

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In the name of God Amen. This 18th day of August in the year of our Lord God 1753 I Robert Saunders Senr of South River in Ann Arundel County in the Province of Mary Land Resident being of a perfect and sound mind and Memory thanks be to God for the same and Calling to mind the uncertainty of this Transitory Life, and that all Flesh must yield unto Death when it shall please God to Call, doe make this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following Revoaking Annulling and making void all other Will and Wills Testament and Testaments by me heretofore made either by word or writing And this only to be taken for my Last Will and Testament and none other And first being Sorry for all my Sins past, humbly Crave forgiveness of the same Recommending my Soul into the hands of God who Gave it hopeing through the Merits of my Blessed Saviour Jesus Christ to be Eternally Saved And my Body I Commit to the Earth to be Decently Interred by my Executor

hereafter named willing that such Debts which is Right or Conscience I owe to any person or persons be all paid and Discharged in Convenient time by my said Executor

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Son William Saunders all this Tract of Land whereon I now Live called by the name of the pleasent Prospect Containing 465 Acres to have and to hold to him and his heirs for ever Save that I give and Bequeath unto my Son Robert Sanders together with my Daughter Elizabeth Sanders my Dwelling house for their Habitation and Dwelling together with the Land from the first bounded tree of the whole Tract along by the fourth side of the Pond to the Little Bridge and then to a bounded white Oak at the head of Deep Creek and then with the Line of the Land to the River and then to the Water to the Beginning tree for their free and uninterupted use and Benefit till such time as that my Daughter Elizabeth is Married and my Son Robert is Seated else where. And also to my Son William my fathers Bed & furniture and also my Biggest Silver Tankard and three Silver spoons

Item I give and Bequeath to my Son James Sanders a Negroe man named Samuel in the lieu and stead of what was given to him by the Will of his Grandfather and also a Feather Bed & Bedding with Bolster and Pillows

Item I give and Bequeath to my Daughter Anne Sue my Old Negroe Woman named Ann

Item I give and Bequeath to my Daughter Rebekah a Negroe Man called Tuba who is at this time with her

Item I give and Bequeath to my Daughter Agnis Baldwin a Negroe Woman named Hannah During her Life and then it is Given to her Son Sanders Baldwin

Item I give and Bequeath to my son Robert Sanders all my part of the Tract of Land called Jameses Forrest being two hundred and fifty Acres in the fork of Gun powder in Baltimore County to have and to hold the said Two hundred and fifty Acres to him and his heirs for ever And also a Negro man named Tobit together with a Negroe Woman named Jane with her Child and a feather

Bed Bolster and Pillows with the Rest of the Bedding thereto belonging and three Silver Spoons marked R S R and one Silver Salt Sellar and half my Stock of Cattle and Sheep found standing at my Decease together with a pr Low horse and mare and half my Pewter and a Looking Glass

Item I give and Bequeath to my Daughter Elizabeth Sanders a Negroe man named Cyrus and a Negroe woman named Judy with her Child and my Least Silver Tankard and the other half of the Pewter with the Feather Bed and furniture which She Requested and the Copper Kettle and Tea Kettle and Coffee pot with all the China ware with half a Doz.n Red Leather Chairs and two pr Low horses

And Lastly after my Debts Legacys and funeral Charges shall be paid and Satisfyed I give and Bequeath all the Remainder of my Estate whatsoever and wheresoever both Real and Personal Except what before is given unto my Son Robert and to my Daughter Elizabeth Saunders to be Equally Divided between them and to their heirs for ever And of this my Last Will & Testament I make my Son William Saunders my full whole and sole Executor In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal the Day and year above written

Signed Sealed Published and Declared to be the Last Will and Testament of the said Robt Sanders Senr in the presence of Us — Robert Sanders (Seal)

Richard Poole
F Linthicum
Thomas Francis Linthicum

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was wrote the following Probate Viz.t

On the 26th day of July 1755 Came Rich: Poole and Thomas Francis Linthicum two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will and made oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they saw the within named Robert Saunders Senr the Testator Sign and Seal and heard him Publish pronounce and Declare the within to be his Last Will and Testament that at the time of his so Doing he was to the best of their apprehension of a found and Disposing mind and Memory And that they together with Francis Linthicum one other Subscribing Witness to the within Will Severally Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the Said Will in presence of the said Testator and at his Request Sworn before W Macnemara Q. Comty

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In the name of God Amen I Elizabeth Merick of the City of Annapolis Widow calling to mind the Incertainty of Humane Life and being Desireous to Appoint in what manner my Estate shall be disposed of after my Decease Do make and Ordain hereby this my Last Will and Testament that is to Say Imprimis Whereas since the Intermarriage of my Daughter Ann lately called Ann Harvey with Samuel Howard of Ann Arundel County I have paid to the said Samuel Howard at his Special Instance and Request the Several Sums of money following to Wit the sum of one hundred pounds Gold the sum of fifty eight pounds and ten pence Gold the sum of one hundred pounds paper Current money and also the sum of nine pounds eighteen shillings paper Current money and have also Delivered to the said Samuel Howard a Silver Watch and Funery Articles of Household Furniture all every and each of which said Sums of money were paid by me as aforesaid and the said Silver Watch and all and every the Articles of Household Furniture aforesaid were Delivered by me as aforesaid to the said Samuel Howard in and towards the Charge of what Interest Right or Claime was Vested in him the said Samuel Howard or which he might have by Virtue of his said Intermarriage with my said Daughter Ann and the Last Will and Testament of her Father Samuel Harvey Deceased Now it is my Will and Desire that my Executor hereafter named do in the first place pay and Satisfy to such person or persons as shall be Legally Intitled thereunto what if any any thing shall be due after deducting the Several Sums of money aforesaid and the value of the Silver Watch and household furniture aforesaid in the manner above mentioned paid and Delivered shall or may be or Remain due of the Portion or Legacy Bequeathed to my said Daughter by her Father the aforesaid Samuel Harvey Secondly I give and Bequeath unto my Loving Grand Daughter Rebecca Harvey Daughter of the said Ann five Negroes that is to say Sarah Rachel Joe Dick and Young London and their Increase and in Consideration of the Great Affection I have for my said Grand Daughter I Likewise Give and Bequeath unto her the said Rebecca Harvey five hundred pounds Current money of Maryland four good feather

Beds four pair of Good Blankets Eighteen pair of New Sheets four new Callico Quitts twelve pair of Good pillow Coats one Suit of white Callicoe Curtains bound with Red one Suit of Sprigged Callicoe Curtains six new high Backed Leather Chairs. one Black Walnut Chest of Drawers which came from New England a Large Looking Glass with a Japanid frame Two good Oval Tables six pewter Dishes three Dozen of Pewter plates three Iron pots Two Iron Skillets Two pairs of Brass Candlesticks six Rush Bottomed Chairs with high Backs six Large Silver Spoons one Large Silver Waiter one Large Silver point Cann one Large Silver Soop Spoon eighteen Diaper Towells Twelve Dowlass Towells six good Linnen Table Cloths one Compleat Tett China six Silver Tea Spoons and a pair of Silver Tea Tongs one Large Looking Glass used and hung in my Dining Room and the following pictures The Twelve Seasons and six perspective Views with the frames and Glass thereunto belonging and all my wearing apparel of what kind soever one piece of fine Cambrick and one pair of Brass headed Andirons My Will is that the aforesaid Negroes money and Goods shall be paid unto my said Grand Daughter by my Executor at the age of Sixteen years or day of Marriage which shall first happen and that my said Grand Daughter shall be Educated and maintained by my Executor free of any Charge or Expense In the mean time as he is to have the use and benefit of the money and Negroes to the time aforesaid But if my said Grand Daughter should Die unmarried and before the age of Sixteen then and in such Case it is my Will meaning and Desire that the money Negroes and all and every the other Articles and things Bequeathed as aforesaid to the said Rebecca Harvey do Immediately fall unto the Residue of my Estate and be to all Intents & purposes whatsoever Considered esteemed Reputed and taken as part of the said Residue and go to my Executor in the same manner as the said Residue under and Subject to the same Trust Limitations and Directions in every Respect whatsoever as are hereafter mentioned Expressed and Declared of and Concerning the said Residue Lastly and Finally it is my Will and Desire that my Daughter Ann Howard may have all the Rest and Residue of my Estate of all and every kind whatsoever But as she would receive Little or no Benefit from my Affectionate Intentions towards her were I to make an Immediate Bequest unto her

thereof such is the ill Temper Indiscretion and Imprudence of her husband Samuel Howard Wherefore that the said Residue may not be in any Respect subject to his Controul Direction or Management and that it may not is my Express Will and Desire I do give and Bequeath all the rest and Residue of my Estate of all and every kind whatsoever to my Executor hereafter named Subject Nevertheless to the Trust herein after Expressed mentioned and Declared of and Concerning the same That is to say that the said Residue of my Estate be by my said Executor as soon as Convenient by may be after my Decease placed out by my said Executor at Interest upon the best Security or Securities that can be obtained or procured and that all and every the Sum and sums of money that shall or may be Raised from time to time by way of Interest thereon be applyed and Disposed of by my said Executor to the Sole and Separate use Behoof and Benefit of my said Daughter Ann Howard in such manner and form as my said Daughter shall Notwithstanding her Coverture from time to time Direct and appoint and after the Decease of my said Daughter It is my Will and Desire that the said Residue of my Estate be equally Divided among such Children of my said Daughter as shall overlive and Survive her share and share alike the portion or share of such Children to be paid unto them on the Day of their Respective Marriage or age of Twenty one years which shall first happen and in Case that any of the Children that shall overlive and survive the said Anne shall die unmarried and before the Age of Twenty one then the Portion or share of such Child or Children shall be also Divided amongst such Children as shall Marry or Attain the Age aforesaid and in Case that only one Child of the said Ann shall overlive and survive my said Daughter Ann and Marry or attain the age aforesaid then and in such Case It is my Will Meaning and Desire that such Child have all the Residue And further it is my Will and Desire and I do hereby Direct and appoint my said Executor to apply the Interest of the said Residue after the Decease of my said Daughter Ann towards the proper and Suitable Maintenance and Education of such of the Children of the said Anne Respectively as shall Overlive and Survive her until

such Children shall be Intitled to Receive their Shares of Portions as aforesaid And in Case the said Ann Howard shall not Live or be Survived by any Child or Children that shall be Intitled as aforesaid to the Residue as aforesaid then and in such Case it is my Will and Desire that my aforesaid Grand Daughter Rebecca Harvey have and Enjoy the said Residue of my Estate to be by her Absolutely Enjoyed and Disposed of as she shall think proper in Case the said Rebecca shall marry or Attain the Age of sixteen and in Case that my said Daughter Ann shall not be Survived by any Child or Children that shall be intitled to the Residue as aforesaid and also in Case that the said Rebecca Harvey shall Die unmarried before her age of Sixteen then and in such Case it is my Will and Desire that the said Residue be Disposed of by my said Daughter Ann in such manner as she shall appoint either by her Last Will and Testament or any Deed Instrument or Writing I do hereby appoint Mr: Henry Hall of Ann Arundel County Executor of this my Last Will and Testament and do give and Bequeath unto him the Sum of five pounds Currency But in Case my Daughter Ann Howard shall Survive her husband the aforesaid Samuel Howard then and in such Case and from the time of the Decease of the said Samuel Howard It is my Will and meaning that the said Mr Henry Hall do Cease to be my Executor and that my said Daughter be and become whole and Sole Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament Notwithstanding my appointment of the said Mr Hall as aforesaid In Witness whereof I the said Elizabeth Merriott have to this my Last Will and Testament Affixed my hand and Seal this Twenty ninth Day of February in the year of our Lord Seventeen Hundred and fifty two

Signed Sealed Published and Declared by the said Elizabeth Merriott as and for her Last Will and Testament in the presence of us who were present at the Signing and Sealing thereof the word benefit being first Interlined between the 33 & 34th lines on the other side hereof

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Merriott
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Rich: Tootell
D Dulany Jun
Adm Murdock

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was wrote the following Probate Viz:t

30th April 1755 Then came Doctor Richard Tootell one of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangel of Almighty

God that he saw the Testatrix Elizabeth Merrick Sign Seal pronounce and declare the same to be her Last Will and Testament That at the time of her so Doing she was to the best of his apprehension of sound and Disposing mind and Memory and that he Subscribed his name as a Witness to the said Will in the presence of the Testatrix and at her request and that he saw Daniel Dulany Esq.r and Addison Murdock the other Witnesses to the said Will Subscribe their names thereto in presence of the said Testatrix and at her Request

Sworn before me M Macnemara Regr Ja. Ogle

And the following Probate viz.t

On the 29th day of August 1755 Daniel Dulany Esq.r one of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will made Oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that he saw the Testatrix Elizabeth Merrick Sign Seal pronounce and declare the same to be her Last Will and Testament That at the time of her so Doing she was to the best of his apprehension of a sound and Disposing mind and Memory and that he together with Richard Tootell and Addison Murdock Severally Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in presence of the said Testatrix and at her Request Sworn Before Benj.a Tasker Commry General

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In the name of God Amen the fifth day of April Anno Domini 1755 I Bj.a Gardner of the County of Ann Arundel being Sick in Body but of sound Disposing mind and memory praise be given to Almighty God for the same and knowing the uncertainty of this Life on earth and being desirous of Settleing things in order do make this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following and first I do Revoke Renounce frusterate and make void all Wills by me formerly made and declare and appoint this to be my Last Will and Testament and my Will is that all those debts as in Right or Conscions I oe to any person be well and truely paid in a Convenient time after my decease by my Executors

Impr.s I give and Bequeath unto my Son Bj.a Gardner Twenty pounds Current money I also give unto my said Son a horse Sadle and Bridle to be worth seven pounds Currency

Imprs I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Elizabeth Gardner a horse Bridle and side Sadle to be worth seven pounds Currency I also give unto my Said Daughter two Cows and Calves

Imprs Item Lastly I do appoint my Loving Wife Mary Gardner and my Brother Joseph Gardner hole and Sole Executors of this my Last Will & Testament bad my Wife and Desire further is that if my wife Mary Gardner Shus Marry before my Son and Daughter above mentioned Come to be of age to Receive their Estate then my Desire is that they and their Estate be immediately Delivered up onto the hands of my Brother Joseph Gardner

Signed Sealed and Publickly Declared to be the Last Will and Testament of Bj: Gardner of Ann Arundel County In the presence of us } Benj: Gardner (Seal)

W Hammond
John Lambe
Mary her mark Mills } On the Back of the foregoing Will was wrote the following Probate Viz:

On the 5th Day of July 1755 Came John Lamb and Mary Mills two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will and made Oath on the holy Evangels of Almighty God that they see the within named Benjamin Gardner the Testator Sign and Seal and heard him Publish pronounce and Declare the within Will to be his Last Will and Testament that at the time of his so Doing he was to the best of these Deponents apprehension of Sound and Disposing Mind and Memory and that they together with William Hammond one other of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will severally Subscribed their Respective names and mark as Witnesses to the within Will in the Presence of the said Testator and at his Request

4/p Sides Sworn before W Macnemara Comm: J: A A County

In the Name of God Amen the tenth Day of January One thousand seven hundred fifty and three I Stephen Bukering of Maryland Gent: being sick and weak in Body but of perfect mind and Memory thanks be given to God Do make and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament That is to say Principally and first of all I give and Recommend my Soul unto the hands of the Almighty God that gave it and my Body to be Buried at the Discretion of my worthy Executor hereafter mentioned And as Touching such worldly Estate wherewith

it hath pleased God to bless me with in this Life I Give Demise and Dispose of the same in the following manner and form

Imprimis I Give and Bequeath unto my Niece the wife of Richard Purnall Junior my Silver Tankard now in the Possession of Mr Jno: Philpott Merchant in London as also my white horse which is now in her Custody together with the one half of my Real and Personal Estate after the payment of of my Just Debts and Funeral Expences are paid & Satisfied

Item I Give unto the Reverend Mr Charles Lake one Guinea to Purchase him a Ring in Memory of me Item I give unto Mr Samuel Keene another Guinea to purchase another as aforesaid As also my Silver Buckles Item I Give unto George Simmons Junior my Roan horse Branded W T Bridle and Saddle Item I Give unto my Brother James Pickering five Shillings Sterling and no more, which is to be his Entire part and Dividend of all my Estate Reall and Personal

Item I Give unto George Simmons Senior the other half of my Estate both Real and Personal after my Just Debts Legacys and Funeral Expenses are paid as aforesaid and one Guinea to be paid to Mr Jno: Dick of London Town to purchase a Ring as aforesaid Whom I Constitute make and Ordain my Sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament

And I do hereby utterly disallow, Revoke and Disannull all and every other former Testament or Testaments Wills Legacys Bequests and Executors by me in any ways before named by me Willed or Bequeathed Ratifying and Confirming this and no other to be my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal the day and year above written

Signed Sealed Published & Declared by the said Stephen Pickering as his last Will and Testament in the presence of us the Subscribers

Stephen Pickering (Seal)

Spence
Zach: Keene

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was wrote the following Probate Vizt

Anne Arundel County ss May 10th 1755 Came the Rever: Archibald Spence one of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that he saw the within named Testator Stephen Pickering Sign and Seal and heard him Publish

Pronounce and Declare the within Will to be his Last Will and Testament that at the time of his so Doing he was to the best of this Deponents Apprehension of sound and Disposing mind and Memory and that he Together wth Rachel Keene the other Subscribing Witness to the within Will Severally Subscribed their Respective names as Witnesses to the within Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his Request

Sworn Before M MacNemara Commissary
Alt County

5 sides

Maryland ss: April the 27th Anno Dom 1755

In the Name of God Amen I Philip Copage of Kent Island in Queen Anns County being Sick and Weak of Body but in perfect Mind and Memory thanks be to God therefore Calling to mind the Mortality of my Body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to Die do make and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament That is to say principally and first of all I give and Recommend my Soul to the hands of Almighty God that Gave it me and my Body I Recommend to the Earth to be buried in a Christian like and Decent manner at the Discretion of my Executor hereafter mentioned nothing Doubting but at the General Resurrection I shall Receive the same again by the Almighty power of God and as Touching such Worldly Estate as it hath pleased God to Bless me with in this Life I give devise and Dispose of the same in the following manner and form

Item I give and Bequeath to my Loving wife Sarah Copage my Dwelling Plantation known by the name of Indian Springs Containing one hundred Acres of Land for and During the Term of Tenn years from the above Date and at the expiration of the said Tenn years I give my said wife the one third of the said Indian Spring and one third of Two hundred Acres of Land hereafter mentioned part of a Tract of Land called Slaughterton Containing Two hundred Acres of Land

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Eldest Son John Copage my Dwelling Plantation at the Expiration of Tenn years from the above date known by the name of Indian Springs Containing one hundred Acres of Land

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Second and third sons Thomas and Philemon Copage a Tract of Land part of a Tract of Land

called Slaughterton Containing Two hundred Acres of Land to be equally Divided betwixt them

Lastly I Give and Bequeath all my Personal Estate to be equally divided betwixt my Loving wife Sarah Copage and my five Youngest Sons That is to say William James Joseph Edward and Benjamin Copage excepting Sixty seven yds: of Country made Linning and one yd of Cambrick which is to be applyed for the General use of the family and not appraised

And I do hereby appoint my Loving wife Sarah Copage to be my hole and Sole Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament and I do hereby utterly Disannul Revoke and Disallow all and every former Testaments Wills Legacys and Bequests by me in anywise heretofore named or bequeathed Ratifying and Confirming this and no other to be my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and fixt my Seal Day and date within mentioned

Signed Sealed Published pronounced and Declared by the said Philip Copage as his Last Will and Testament in presence of the Subscribers — } Philip his X mark Copage (Seal)

Jacob Carter
Elizabeth Carter
Rebeckah Carter

{ Interlined betwixt the fourth and fifth line of the first Legacy the said Indian Spring and one thirs of — }

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was wrote the following Probate Viz:t

Queen Anns County ss:

the 24th: July 1755 } Jacob Carter Elizabeth Carter and Rebeckah Carter the Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will being duly and Solemnly Sworn by the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God do Depose and say that they saw the Testator Philip Copage Sign the same Will and heard him Publish and Declare it to be his Last Will and Testament that at the time of his so Doing he was to the best of their apprehension of sound and Disposing mind and memory and that they did Subscribe their Respective names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his Request which Oath was taken by the said Witnesses in

the presence of John Copage heir at Law to the Testator which same John Copage did not object to the Probat of the Said Will

Sworn Before me Wm. Tilghman Deputy Commr for
6/p sides — of Queen Anns County —

In the name of God Amen This twenty fourth Day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and forty nine I Sarah Holyday of Queen Anns County in the Province of Maryland widow being weak in body but of sound and Disposing mind and Memory do make and Publish this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say

First and Principally I Commend my Soul to God who gave it hoping through the Merits of my Blessed Redeemer to Enjoy after Death a Mansion of Eternal Bless

Item I Appoint that after my Decease my Body shall be privately buried in a Decent manner.

Item for as much as my Dear Children Edward Lloyd Richard Doyle and Rebecca Anderson are Settled in the World in good Circumstances and that it Cannot be thought they stand in need of any Assistance from me I do give to each of my said Children a Mourning Ring to be paid and Delivered by my Executor hereafter named

Item Tho whereas I have given unto my Dear Son Henry Holyday by Deed Executed bearing Date in November last past Sundry Negroes and Stock and have also given to the said Henry the sums of Two hundred pounds Sterling and one hundred pounds Currency I do hereby Ratify and Confirm the said Gifts and do give to my said Son Henry Holyday a Mourning Ring to be Delivered by my Executor

Item and I do further give and Bequeath to my Said Son Henry Holyday One hundred and fifty Acres part of a Tract of Land lying in Talbot County called Hemsleys Brittannia and all my Right Title Interest and Claim in and to the said Tract of Land called Hemsleys Brittannia ~~and all my Right Title Interest and Claim in and to the said Tract~~ to him the said Henry and his heirs for ever

Item I give to my Daughters in Law Anna Lloyd and Anna Maria Holyday to each of them a Mourning Ring to be Delivered by my Executor

Item I give to my Son in Law William Anderson a Mourning Ring to be Delivered by my Executor.

Item I do give and Bequeath to my Dear Son James Hollyday and his heirs all and Singular my Negroes Plate Household Goods and Stock of all kinds and all the Rest and Residue of my personal Estate whatsoever.

Item And I do appoint my said Son James Hollyday Executor of this my Last Will and Testament hereby Revoking all former Wills by me made. In Testimony whereof I have to this my Last Will and Testament set my hand and Seal the Day and Year first before mentioned

Signed Sealed Published and Declared by the said Sarah Hollyday as and for her last Will and Testament in the presence of us who were present at the Signing and Sealing thereof

Sarah Hollyday (seal)

Henrietta Maria Robins
Esth Wrightson
John Gowrey

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was wrote the following Probate Viz.

Queen Anns County ss.

The 5th August 1755 } Henrietta Maria Robins and John Gowrey two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will being Duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God do Depose and Say That they Saw the Testatrix Sarah Hollyday Sign the same Will and heard her Publish and Declare it to be her last Will and Testament in the presence and hearing of Esther Wrightson the other Subscribing Witness thereto That at the time of her so Doing she was to the best of the Apprehension of these Deponants of Sound and disposing mind and memory and that they and the said Esther Wrightson Did Subscribe their Respective names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testatrix and at her Request

Sworn before me Wm Tilghman Dep. Comry of Queen Anns County

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In the name of God amen the 25th day of July in the year of our Lord 1755 I Edward Elliott of Dorchester County Gentleman old and weak in Body but of perfect mind and Memory thanks be to God therefore

Calling to mind the Mortality of my Body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to Dye I do make and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament that is to Say principally and first of all I Give and Recommend my Soul unto God that gave it and for my Body I Recommend to Earth to be Buried in a Christian like and Decent manner at the Discretion of my Executors nothing Doubting but at the General Resurection I shall Receive the same again by the mighty power of God and Touching such worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to Bless me with in this Life I Give Damise and Dispose of the same in the following manner and forme, Imprimis it is will and I do Order that in first place all my Just Debts and funeral Charges be paid and Satisfyed Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Two Sons that is to say John Elliott and Thomas Elliott all my Land to be equally Divided between the tow the one half to my Son John and the half to my Son Thomas and his heirs for ever Item I Give and Bequeath to my Thomas all my Wearing apparel Item I give and Bequeath all Rest of my whole moveable Estate to be equally Divided between them that is to say my tow Sons John and Thomas This being the my Last Will Testament

Assign Seal and Deliver In the presence of us

Edward Elliott (Seal)

Test William Langrall
Test Charles Willin
Test Richard Pearson
Test James his mark X Culben

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was wrote the following Probate Viz

Charles Willin and Richard Pearson two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will being Sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God Depose and say that the within named Edward Elliott Acknowledged the within Instrument to be his Last Will and Testament and Published and Declared the same as and for his Last Will and Testament and at the time of his so Doing that the Said Edward Elliott was to the best of these Deponants apprehension and Belief of sound & Disposing mind and Memory and that they these Deponants together with the within mentioned James Culben Signed the within Will as Witnesses thereto in the presence and at the Request of the within named Testator Edward Elliott

Sworn Before
Daniel Dulany Comm.r of General
13th August 1755

5 sides

Maryland Charles County ss:

In the name of God amen I Joan Hawkins of the County and Province above and being Sick and weak of Body but of Sound and perfect Memory praised be the Lord but Certainly knowing that their is an Appointed time for all persons once to Die Therefore do make this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following. And first I bequeath my Soul into the hands of God that made it hoping that thro the Blessed Death and Passion of my Dear Saviour Jesus Christ the Righteous I shall Receive full Remition of my Sins and Transgressions and Inherit Eternal Life And my body to be Decently buried at the Discretion of my Executor hereafter named and appointed

Item I give and Bequeath my Right of Dower of my thirds Due to me out of the Estate of my Loving Husband deceased from each Child (being the opinion of Mr Dulany Commissary) to the Several Children from whom my Right would have taken had I delivered the Estate Due to me from the Childrens parts

Item I give and Bequeath to my Daughter Ruth Hawkins one Negroe Boy named Sam to her and her heirs for ever

Item My Will further is that the Several Negroes hereafter mentioned be valued by three Good Honest men such as my Children shall Chuse which are to have the Value of them be Equally Devided between Martha Portens Henry Hawkins Jane Hawkins Josias Hawkins and Susannah Hawkins, which is Negro Jerry Senr. Lambo Lenc and old Moll to them and their heirs

Item my further Will is that Capt. John Hodges and Walter Hanson Devide the Remaining part of my thirds equally among st my five Children last mentioned saving as much Sterling money as will purchase a Toomb stone for Loving husband Deceased

Lastly I do Constitute and appoint my Son Henry Hawkins my Executor of this my Last Will and Testament In Wilness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and affixed my Seal this eighth day of March in the year of our Lord God one thousand seven hundred & fifty five

Signed Sealed and Acknowledged to be her Last Will & Testament in presence of us
Marmaduke Semmes
James Maddocke

Joan Hawkins (Seal)

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was wrote the following Probate Viz.

Charles County Ss. 25th July 1755 Marmaduke Semmes and James Maddoxe the Two subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being Duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God do Depose and say that they saw the Testatrix Joan Hawkins Sign and Seale the same Will and heard her Publish and Declare the same to be her Last Will and Testament and that at the time of her so Doing she was to the best of their apprehensions of sound and Disposing mind and Memory. Sworn before Dan Jenifer O:Co of Chas. County

5/2 Sides

Maryland Ss. — In the name of God amen I Charles Clements of Charles County in the Province of Maryland being Infirm of Body but in sound and perfect Memory do make this my Last Will and Testament as follows —

Imprimis I Bequeath my Soul to God who Gave it me my Body to the Earth after my Departure to be Decently Buried at the Charge of my Estate and Discretion of my Executrix hereafter named

Item I Will that my Just Debts and funeral Charges be first paid

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Loving Son Richard Clements five Shillings Sterling —

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Loving Daughter Mary Hagan five Shillings Sterling —

Item I Nominate Constitute and Ordain my Loving wife Susannah Clements whole and Sole Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament to whom the said Susannah my wife I Give and Bequeath all the remaining part of my personal Estate not before Given —

I Ordain that this present to be my Last Will and Testament in Witness whereof I have set my hand and fixed my Seal this 21st day of April 1755

Signed Sealed in the presence of us
Wm. Hagan
John Harbin

Charles his / mark Clements

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was Wrote the following Probate Viz.

Charles County Ss 2d July 1755 William Hagan and John Harbin the two Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will being Duly and Solemnly sworn

on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God do Depose and Say that they Saw the Testator Clement Clements Sign and Seal the within Will and heard him Publish and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so Doing was to the best of their apprehensions of sound and Disposing mind and Memory Sworn Before Dan: Jenifer Q: Co of Charles County

3 fides

Mary Land ss — In the name of God Amen I Thomas Smith of Charles County in the Province of Mary Land being infirm of Body but in Sound and perfect Memory do make this my Last Will and Testament as follows

Imprimis I Bequeath my Soul to God who gave it me my Body to the Earth after my Departure to be Decently Buried at the Charge of my Estate and Direction of my Executrix hereafter named

Item I Will that my Just Debts and funeral Charges be first paid

Item I Nominate Constitute and Ordain my Loving Wife Mary Smith whole and Sole Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament to whom the said Mary my wife I Give and Bequeath the third part of my Personal Estate after my Just Debts be paid also I give the use of Negroe Woman called Pugg During her Natural Life and after her decease to be Equally Divided amongst my Surviving Children

Item I give and Bequeath unto all my Surviving Children all the Remaining part of my Personal Estate to be equally Divided amongst the s: Children

I Ordaine that this present Will to be my Last Will and Testament in Witness hereof I have Set my hand and fixed my Seal this y: 24: day of March 1755 — the word wife Enterlaine

Signed Sealed in the presence of us
Ignatius Gardiner
James Montgomery

Thomas Smith (Seal)

on the Back of the aforegoing Will was wrote the following Probate Vizt

Charles County ss: 11th June 1755 Ignatius Gardiner and James Montgomery the Two Subscribing Witnesses to the within Within Will being Duly and Solemnly Sworn on the holy Evangelists of Almighty God do Depose and say that they saw the Testator Thomas Smith Sign and Seal the same Will and heard him Publish and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so Doing was to the best of their apprehensions of sound and disposing mind and Memory. Swo: before Dan: Jenifer Q: Co of Charles County

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In the name of God Amen March ye 11th day in the year of our Lord 1755 I George Truitt of Worchester County and Province of Maryland Planter being of Sound and perfect mind and Memory thanks be to God I do make and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following first Recommend my Soul to God hoping through the Merits of Death and Passion of my Savour Jesus Christ to have forgiveness of all my Sins and to Inherit Everlasting Life and I Commit my Body To the Earth to be Buried in a Christian Like Manner and as Touching my Worldly Estate as it hath pleased God to Bestow upon me I give and Dispose thereof as followeth

Item I Give and Bequeath to my Son Henry Truitt one Shilling Sterling and no more

Item I Give and Bequeath to my Daughter Cumfort Bowen one Negroe man called James now in her Possession to her and her heirs for ever

Item I give and Bequeath to my Daughter Rachel one Negroe Girl called Dinah to her and her Disposuall

Item I give and Bequeath to my Daughter Ann Purnell one Negro Girl called Amna to her and her heirs for ever

Item I give and Bequeath to my Grane Daughter Leah Daughter of my son George Truitt one Negro Boy called Robin to her and her and her heirs for ever

Item I give and Bequeath to my Son George Truitt two Negroe men named Sam and Peter and a Woman called Sarah to him and his Disposuall and I give to my Son George Truitt all my Goods and Chattles now in his Possession

Item I Give and Bequeath to my Son George Truitt three parcells of Land the one called Leanheath the other Long Lott the other Forlorn hope to him his heirs and Assigns with all houses and Orchards profits and Privileges and appurtenances thereunto belonging freely to Behold Possess and Enjoy without Let or Trouble or Molestation from any Person whatsoever

I do Constitute and Appoint my Son George Truitt to be my Executor of this my Last Will and Testament whereunto I have placed my hand and affixed my Seal this 11th Day of March Anno Domini 1755

Signed and Sealed in presence of us

George Truitt (Seal)

Wm Smock

John his X mark Burbagge

Thomas his X mark Morris

In the Back of the aforegoing Will was wrote the following Probate Vizt

July 1st 1755 Came William Smock Thomas Morris and John Burbage the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangels

of Almighty God that they saw the Testator George Torrill Sign Seal and hearb him Publish Pronounce and Declare the foregoing Will to be his Last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so Doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of a sound Disposing Mind and memory and that they Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request

Sworn Before Benlon Harris Esq. Comm.r of Wor County

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In the name of God Amen I Mary Innis taking into my Serious Consideration the uncertainty of this Transitory Life and the Certainty of Death do make and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following Viz.

Imprimis I Commit my Soul unto the hands of Almighty God my Creator hoping through the alone Merrits of Jesus Christ my Redeem=er to Obtain full Pardon and Remmissions of all my Sins and my Body to the Earth from whence it was taken Decently to be Buried at the Discretion of my Executors hereafter named

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Loving Son Cornelius Innis one White Back Cow and her Calph and my Largest Iron pott and one Puter Dish and one plate unto him and his heirs and Assigns for ever

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Loving Son Samuel Innis my Large Walnut Table a Bed with Broad Striped Tick a Red Stone Jugg and a Sealed Bottle with Sheets and Blankets for the Bed I give the same unto him and his heirs and Assigns for ever

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Loving Son John Innis my Young Black mare one Bed and Blanket unto him and his heirs and Assigns for ever. Item I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Nanny Cullen one Bed and Sheets of a Purple & White Country make Tick and the Case of Bottles one Stone Jugg with two handles also half of my wearing apparel excepting my Stripe holland Gown I give unto my Grand Daughter Perce Collins the same I give to her and her heirs for ever. Item I give and Bequeathe unto my Daughter Betty Collins one Bed with Striped Blew and white Country

make Sicken with Two sheets and a pine Chest and a Dish one Iron Kettle unto her and her heirs and Assigns forever Item I Give and Bequeath all the Remaining part of my Estate unto my Son Cornelius Samuel John and Ann Owen my Daughter and Betty Collins to be Jointly Divided among them all Excepting one Large Dish I Give and Bequeathed already unto my Daughter Ann Owen I except also the half of my wearing apparel which I Give unto my Daughter Betty Collins which is not before Bequeathed And then all the Remainder of my ~~Estate~~ Personal Estate to be equally and Jointly Divided among all my own Children before mentioned

And this is my Will that my Son Samuel Innis be my whole Executrix and Executor of this my Last Will and Testament Revoking all my former Wills or Deeds as Witness my Hand and Seal this Twenty ninth day of May Dom one thousand seven hundred and fifty five 1755

Signed Sealed and Delivered
In the presence of
William Ennis
John Ennis
John Morris

Mary M Innes (mark) her (Seal)

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was wrote the following Probate Viz:t

July 4th 1755 Came William Ennis two of the Subscribing Witness to the foregoing Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangelis of Almighty God that they saw Mary Innes Sign Seal and heard her Publish pronounce and Declare the same to be her last Will and Testament and that at the time of her so Doing she was to the best of their apprehension of a Sound Disposing mind and Memory and that they Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at her Request. Sworn before Benton Harris D: Comm.ry of Wor: County

5/p Sides

An Additional Probate to the Will of Major John Burnell in fol.o 407 Viz:t

June 27th 1755 Came Thomas Robins and Tadock Burnell before the Subscriber and made Oath on the Holy Evangelis of Almighty God that on the 12th day of Jany 1755 Major John Burnell asked the aforesaid Thomas Robins if he had Disposed of those Negroes he left the use of to Eliz.a Morris During her Life to any person and that he Told him no he has not and then says the said Maj: Burnell they are to go to John Burnell (as these Deponents Imagine meaning his Son John and further that he Desired the said Robins then to take a Minute or Memorandum of it which was accordingly Done in the above Express words

Tho.s Robins
Tadok Burnell

Sworn Before Benton Harris Dep.y Comm.r of Worester County

In the name of God amen I Richard Tull of Worcester County in the Province of Maryland being weak in Body but of Sound Memory Blessed be God and this 30th day of December in the year 1754 make Publish and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament In manner following that is to say first I give my Soul to God that gave it and my Body to the Ground there to be Desolved of worms of the Sile and I do demise of my Goods as followeth Both Riall and personal

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Son Richard Tull my Seat of Land and Plantation whereon I now Dwell to this my said Son Richard and his heirs and Assigns for ever

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Brother Benjamin Tull four pounds out of my Personal Estate to him and his heirs for ever

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Peamy Townsend two pounds to this my said Daughter Peamy and her heirs & Assigns forever

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Grand Daughter Agnis Tull Daughter of my said Son Richard Tull the sum of one pound to this my Grand Daughter and her heirs and Assigns for ever

Item I give and Bequeath all the Residue of my Personall Estate be it of what kind or Rank soever to my Two Daughters as namely Elizabeth Tull and Esther Tull they to Declare my Lawfull debts and Bury my Body in a Christian manner and what is Left of this my Personal Estate to be Equally Divided between these my Daughters Elizabeth Tull and Esther Tull to them and their heirs and Assigns for ever

Likewise I Ordain and appoint my son Richard Tull my Sole and Sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament

Signed Sealed and Delivered by the said Richard Tull as his Last Will & Testament in this Day and year above mentioned in the presence of us who were present at the signing Sealing thereof

John Onions
John Sayler Jurat
Alex. his X marke Roberts Jurat

Richard his R mark Tull (Seal)

On the Back of the foregoing Will was wrote the following Probate Viz

Aug.t 7th 1755 Came John Taylor and Alexander Roberts two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangelis of Almighty God that they saw Richard Tuck the Testator Sign Seal and heard him Publish pronounce and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so Doing he was to the best of their apprehension of a found Disposing mind and Memory and that they Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request and also that they saw John Onions the other Subscribing Witness Sign his name as an Evidence to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request Sworn Before Benton Harris Dep.y Com.y of Worc.r County

4½ sheets

Additional Probate to the Will of William Peale in Liber **DD** No. 6 fol. 274 &c

Ann Arundel County ss. on the 30th day of August 1755 Came William Strachan one of the Subscribing Witnesses to the Last Will and Testament of William Peale of Londontown in Annarundel County and being Duly Sworn on the holy Evangelists of Almighty God did Depose and say that he saw the Testator Wm. Peale Sign Seal Pronounce and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament and also that he saw the said William Peale Sign the aforegoing Codicil annexed to his Will and heard him Publish and Declare the same to be part of his Last Will and Testament that at the time of his so Doing he was to the Best of this Deponents Apprehension of a found and Disposing mind and Memory and that he together with Stephen West Junr. and James Mason Severally Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will and Codicil in presence of the said Testator and at his Request. Sworn before me M. Macnemara Dep.y Com.y A.A. County

Ann Arundel County ss on the 9th day of Septem.r 1755 Came Stephen West one of the Subscribing Witnesses to the Last Will and Testament of Wm. Peale late of Londontown in Annarundel County and being Duly Sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God dis: Deposes and say that he saw the Testator William Peale Sign Seale pronounce and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament and also that he saw the said Wm. Peale Sign the foregoing Codicil annexed to his Will and heard him Publish and Declare the same to be part of his Last Will and Testament that at the time of his so Doing he was to the best of this Deponents apprehension of a found and Disposing mind and memory and that he together with William Strachan and James Mason Severally Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will and Codicil in presence of the said Testator and at his Request

Sworn before M. Macnemara Dep.y Com.y A.A. County

In the name of God Amen I James Silvester of Queen Anns County in the Province of Maryland Planter being very Sick and weak in Body but of a perfect mind memory Calling to mind the Mortallity of my Body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to Die I do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say first of all I Give and Bequeath and Recommend my Sole to Almighty God who gave it me nothing Doubting but at the General Resurection I shall Receive it again by the mighty power of God and my Body I Bequeath to the Earth to be Buried in a Christian like manner at the Discretion of my Executor hereafter named and as touching such Worldly Estate wherewith it has pleased God to Bless me in this Life I Give and Dispose of the same in manner and form following that is to say It is my Will and Pleasure and I do order that in the first place all my Just Debts and funeral Charges be paid and satisfied.

Imprimis Item I Give and Bequeath to my Gran Daughter Rebecca Silvester ye 2^d Tract of Land called Carmerson lying in the County of foresaid Containing one hundred Acres unto her and her heirs Lawfully Begotten of her body but that if the said Rebeca Silvester should Die without Issue then the said Land to fall and Redound to my well beloved Daughter Sidey Silvester to her and to her heirs forever. Item I Give and Bequeath to my well Beloved wife and Bedfellow Sary Silvester my Dwelling house and all other houses together with forty acres of Land in the West End of a Tract of Land called the Bare Garding to have and to hold the said forty Acres of Land During her Natural Life

Item I Give and Bequeath to my well Beloved wife foresaid one half of my personal Estate after my Just debts & funeral Charges be paid

Item I Give unto my Son Benjamin the one half of my Apple Orchard

I do hereby Recommitate and appoint my well beloved Wife Sary Silvester my Executor of this my Last Will and Testament together with my Son Benjamin Silvester.

Signed and Sealed in the presence of us
Absalom Knotts
William X his Knotts : Thomas his Horsch
mark mark

As Witness my hand and Seal the 16th day of July Anno Domini 1755 Signed and Sealed in ye presence of us
James his + Silvester (Seal)
mark

at the foot of the aforegoing Will was wrote the following Election and Probate viz.

The 28th Aug: 1755 Came Sarah Silvester Widow of the above Testator James Silvester and Declared it was her Choice to Stand to her said husbands Will

Before me Wm Tilghman Dep: Comm:y
of Queen Anns County

Queen Anns County ss.

The 28th August 1755 } Absalom Knotts William Knotts and Thomas Storch the Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will being Duly and Solemnly sworn on the Holy Evangelis of Almighty God do Depose and Say That they Saw the Testator James Silvester Sign the same Will and heard him Publish and Declare it to be his Last Will and Testament That at the time of his so Doing he was to the best of their apprehension of sound and Disposing mind and memory and that they did Subscribe their Respective names and marks as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his Request which Oath was taken by the said Witnesses in the presence of Benjamin Silvester heir at Law to the Testator which same Benjamin did not Object to the Probate of the same Will

Sworn before me Wm Tilghman Dep: Comm:y
of Queen Anns County

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In the name of God amen the seventeenth Day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred fifty three I Timothy Nucomb of Queen Anns County in the Province of Maryland Planter being very Sick and Weak in Body but of perfect mind and memory thanks be given unto God therefore Calling unto mind the Mortality of my Body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do make and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament That is to say principally and first of all I give and Recommend my Soul unto the hands of God that gave it and for my Body I Recommend it to the Earth to be Buried in a Christian like and Decent manner at the Discretion of my Executors nothing Doubting by the General Resurrection I shall Receive the same again by the mighty power of God and as Touching such worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to Bless me in this Life I give Devise and Dispose of the same in the following manner and forme.

Item I give to my well Beloved wife Grace Nucomb whom I Likewise Constitute make and Ordain my only Sole Executrix of this my Last

Will and Testament all and Singular my hole and Sole Estate by her freely to be possessed and Enjoyed by her and her heirs for ever and I do hereby utterly Disallow Revoke and Disannull all and every former Testament Wills Legacys and Executors or Executrices by me in any ways Before this time named Willed and Bequeathed Ratifying and Confirming this and no other to be my Last Will and Testament In Witness Whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal the Day and year above Written

William Culbreth
Thomas Wheeler

Signed Sealed Published pronounced and Declared by the Said Timothy Nucomb as his Last Will and Testament in the presence of us the Subscribers Viz:

Timothy his T mark Nucomb Seal

On the Back of the foregoing Will was wrote the following Probate Viz:

Queen Anns County ss: The 28th August 1755 William Culbreth one of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being Duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangelis of Almighty God to depose and say that he saw the Testator Timothy Nucomb Sign the same Will and heard him Publish and Declare it to be his Last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so Doing he was to the best of his apprehension of sound and Disposing mind and memory

Sworn before me Wm Tilghman Dep: Comry of Queen Anns County

4 sides

In the name of God amen the fifteenth of July one thousand seven hundred fifty five I Elizabeth Ridgway of Queen Anns County in the Province of Maryland being very sick and weak in Body but of perfect mind and Memory thanks be Given unto God therefore Calling to mind the Mortality of my Body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to Die do make and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament that is to say principally and first of all I Give and Recommend my Soul unto the hands of God that gave it and for my Body I Recommend to the earth to be buried in a Christian like and Decent manner at the Discretion of my Executors nothing doubting but at the General Resurection I shall Receive the same again by the mighty power of God and

497 as touching such worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to Bless me with in this Life I give and Dispose of the same in the following manner and forme

Imprimis I Give and Bequeath unto Elizabeth Adcock my well Beloved Cousen fifti acres of Land part of a Tract called Longola to her and hears Ears for ever as for personable Estate after Debts and Charges paid to Sarah Adcock my well Beloved Sister Likewise James Adcock I Constitute make and Ordain my only and Sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament and I do hereby utterly disallow Revoke and Disannul all and every other former Testaments Wills Legacys Executors by me in any ways before this time named willed and Bequeathed Ratifying and Confirming this and no other to be my Last Will and Testament In Witness heareof I have hearunto set my hand and Seal the Day and year above wrigtten Signed Sealed Published and pronounced Declared by the said Elizabeth Ridgway as her Last Will and Testament in the presence of us

James his Clough mark
Edward his Moore mark
Thos Walker

Elizabeth her Ridgway mark (Seal)

Queen Anns County ss

On the back of the aforegoing Will was the following Probate Viz.t

The 19.th Aug.t 1755 — James Clough Edward Moore and Thomas Walker the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being Duly and Solemnly sworn on the Holy Evangels of almightly God do Depose and say that they saw the Testatrix Elizabeth Ridgway Sign the same Will and heard her Publish and Declare it to be her last Will and Testament That at the time of her so Doing she was to the best of their apprehension of Sound and Disposing mind and memory and that they did Subscribe their Respective marks and name as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testatrix and at her Request Sworn before me Wm Tilghman Dep.ty Comm.ry of Queen Anns County

4½ sides

Sir

This is to Testify you that I do Renounce the Administration of my Deceased husband Charles Downes Estate

Elizabeth her X Downes mark

August 7.th Day 1755

Test John Dowes

The foregoing Renuncation is Corrected on the Back thus — To Major Tilghman Dep.ty Com.ry

D: R: C:

In the Name of God Amen I Elizabeth Skinner Junior of Talbot County in the Province of Maryland being weak in Body but of Sound Memory Blessed be God do make and Publish this my Last Will and Testament in manner following that is to Say

I Give to my Dear Mother Elizabeth Skinner all my Good Chattles and Personal Estate whatsoever And I do make and Ordain her my said Mother Sole Executrix of this my Will In Witness whereof I the said Elizabeth Skinner Junior have to this my Last Will and Testament Set my hand and Seal this 7th Day of May in the year of our Lord Christ One Thousand Seven hundred and fifty five

Signed Sealed and Delivered by the said Elizabeth Skinner Junr. as and for her last Will and Testament in the presence of us who were present at the Signing & Sealing thereof

James Edge
Hannah Edge
Esther Skinner

Elizabeth Skinner (Seal)

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was wrote the following Probate Viz:t

Talbot County ss. James Edge and Hannah Edge two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being Duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangelis of Almighty God Depose and Say that they Saw the Testatrix Elizabeth Skinner Sign the foregoing Will and heard her Publish and Declare the same to be her Last Will and Testament that at the time of her so Doing she was to the best of their apprehension of sound and Disposing mind and Memory and that they Likewise saw Esther Skinner the other Subscribing Witness Subscribe her name as a Witness to the said Will Sworn before me this 7th Day of June 1755 Dan.l Maynadier Deptty Com.ry

3 sides — T. County

In the name of God Amen I Henry Taylor of Talbot County and Province of Maryland being weak in Body but of sound and Perfect Memory and calling to mind the uncertainty of this Life do make this my Last Will and Testament in manner & form following

First I Will that all my Just Debts be paid out of my Estate by my Executor hereafter named

Item I Give and Bequeath to my Brother James Taylor

one Negroe man Jemmy when my said Brother arrives at the Age of Twenty one years untill such time the said Negroe to Remain in the Possession of my Executor they paying the Sum of Three pounds Currency p Ann: towards the Cloathing and mantanance of my said Brother: but if my said Brother be put apprentice which is my Will and by Indenture have his Cloathing found by his Master then the said three pounds p Ann: to be paid to my said Brother when he arrives at age aforesaid

Item I Give the Residue of my Estate to my two Sisters Rebeckah & Catharine Taylor to be Equally Divided between them by my said Executors which Division so made shall be final

Item I Will that my Executors Secure to themselves Sufficient Satisfaction for funeral Expences and other Necessary Charges in the Execution of this my Will

Lastly I Constitute and appoint my friends Isaac Dixon and John Berry my Sole Executors of this my Will in Witness whereof I have here=unto Set my hand and Seal this 25th day of June 1755

Signed Sealed and Acknowledged in presence of — Henry Taylor (Seal)

John Price
Benedict B his Hutchions mark

on the back of the foregoing will was wrote as follows Vizt.

Whereas I the Subscriber was appointed Joint Ex: with John John Berry of the within Will I hereby Renounce the Executorship thereof as Witness my hand this 29th day of July 1755 — Isaac Dixon

Test John Allen Thomas

And then Probate Vizt. Talbot County ss: John Price and Benedict Hutchions two Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being Duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God Depose and say that they saw the Testator Henry Taylor Sign the foregoing Will and heard him Publish and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the time of his so Doing he was to the best of their apprehension of sound and Disposing mind and memory Sworn before me this 29th Day of July 1755

4 sides — Dan: Maynadier Dep: Com: T: County

In the name of God Amen I Richard Porter of Talbot County Surgeon being very Sick and Weak but in my perfect Senses do make this my Last Will and Testament Imprimis I Give and Bequeath my Soul to Almighty God

that gave it and my Body to Buried at the Discretion of my Executors Item I give to my Son Thomas a Negro Woman called Sidnah and all her Increase for ever & no more Item I Give unto my Son Richard a Negroe Boy called Chester and all my Book Relating to Surgery and Physick and no more Item I give unto my Son Walter a Negroe Girl called Lucy and her Increase for ever and no more. Item I give my Son James a Negroe called Lisby and her Increase for ever and no more

Item I Give my Son John my Dwelling Plantation to him and his heirs for ever in Consideration for his payment to me Two hundred pounds Currency are to be without Interest during my Natural Life and not to have Possession of the said Plantation as long as I shall Live I Likewise give to the said John Burkett on the New Testament and the whole Duty of man in folio and no more Item I give to my Daughter Sarah a Negroe called Eve and her Increase for ever and no more Item I Give to my Daughter Tamson a Negroe called Jenney and a Negroe called Judith and their Increase for ever as Likewise I Give to the said Tamson Ten pounds Current money to by her a horse and no more Item I Give to my Daughter Mary a Suite of Mourning and a Negroe Boy Rogger and no more Item I give to my Son William five pounds Current money and no more Item I give to my Daughter Allice a Negroe called Adam a Negro called Manuel and a Negro Woman called Pegg and her Increase for ever after the Date as Likewise a pr of Gold Buttons and Scrutore Item I Give to my Daughter Ann a Negro called Cove a Negro called Jo: and Little Mullato Girl called Lisby and a Negroe Woman called Kate and her Increase for ever after the Date hereof I also give to my Daughter Ann a Scrutore and Tea Chest and Spoons belonging to it Item I Give unto my Grandson Henry Eubanks a Mullato Girl called Lidsy and her Increase for ever as Likewise a horse called Tory to him and his heirs for ever and no more Item I leave my Pew in the Chapple to the use of all my Children and their heirs for ever Item the Rest of my Personal Estate after my Just Debts are paid I Leave to my two Daughters Allice and Ann to be equally Devided In Witness whereof I have appointed my Son John Sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament. In Witness whereof I have Set my hand and Seal this 27th day of March 1755

Signed Sealed & delivered in the presence of us

Jarvis Culston
Jane Merrick

Lewis his (mark) Jones

Reporter (Seal)

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was wrote the following Probate Viz.t

Talbot County ss. Parris Eulestor and Jane Merrick two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being Duly and Solemnly Sworn on the holy Evangelist of Almighty God — Depose and say that they saw the Testator Richard Porter Sign the foregoing Will and heard him Publish and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the time of his so Doing he was to the best of their apprehension of sound and Disposing mind and Memory and that they Subscribed their Respective names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his Request and that they likewise saw Lewis Jones the other Subscribing Witness Subscribe his name as a Witness to the said Will in presence of the said Testator and at his Request Sworn this fifth day of August 1755 before Dan.l Maynadier Cep.t Comm.ry Talb.t County —

on the Back of the aforgoing was wrote the following Codicil Viz.t

April 29th 1755 I Richard Porter within named having a mind to make some Alterations in my within written Will do add thereunto the following Codicil to Wit I do hereby Devise and Give to my Son Thomas Porter and his heirs and Assigns for ever my Dwelling Plantation and all the Lands thereunto belonging upon this Express Condition that within Twelve Months from the Day of my Decease he do pay unto my Son John Porter his Exec.rs Admin.rs or Assigns the within Sum of Two hundred pounds Current money with Legal Interest from the time of my Decease Item I give my Son William Porter my Watch But if my Son Thomas do not punctually Comply with the Condition aforesaid then I do hereby Give the said Plantation and Lands to my said Son John his heirs and Assigns for ever

Lastly I hereby Constitute my Son Thomas Co= Executor with my said Son John of my said Will and this Codicil hereby requesting and Desireing that my said Sons will give my two Daughters Alice and Anne the Commissions and other Advantages of Administrating my Estate In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal the Day and year above

Signed Sealed and Published in presence of

James Slighman
Lod.k Elbert

his
Lewis ⊼ Jones
mark

Richard Porter Seal

At the foot of the aforegoing Codicil was wrote the following Renounciation Viz.t

John Porter Ex.r appointed by the foregoing Will and Co: Executor w.th Tho.s Porter of the foregoing Will and above Codicil as Constituted by the said Codicil Renounces his Executorship thereof from under his hand Certify.d by Dan.l Maynadier Cep.t Com.y T. Co.ty

The Probate to the foregoing Codicil Viz^t

Talbot County ss Dolman Elbert and James Tilghman two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Codicil of the foregoing Will being Duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God Depose and Say that they Saw the Testator Richard Porter sign the within Codicil and hears him Publish and Declare the same to be his Codicil to his Last Will and Testament that at the time of his so Doing He was to the best of their apprehension of sound and Disposing mind and Memory and that they Subscribed their Respective names as Witnesses to the said Codicil in the presence of the said Testator and at his Request and James Tilghman Deposeth and saith that he saw Lewis Jones the other Subscribing Witness Subscribed his name as a Witness to the said Codicil in the presence of the said Testator and at his Request Dolman Elbert Sworn before me the 24th June and James Tilghman the 15th July 1755 Danl Maynadier Dep^y Com^r of Talbot County

11 pieces

In the name of God Amen I James Silvester of Queen Anns County in the Province of Maryland Planter being very Sick and weak in Body but of a Perfect mind Memory Calling to mind the Mortality of my Body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die I do make and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say first of all I Give and Bequeath and Recomend my Soul to Almighty God who gave it me nothing Doubting but at the General Resection I shall Receive it again by the mighty power of God and my Body I Bequeath it to the Earth to be buried in a Christian like manner at the Discretion of my Executors hereafter named and as Touching such worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to Bless me in this Life I Give and Dispose of the same in manner and form following that is to say It is my Will and pleasure and I do Order that in the first place all my Just Debts and funeral Charges be paid and Satisfyed

Impremis Item I Give and bequeathe to my Grand Daughter Rebecca Silvester a Tract of Land called Carmerson Lying in the County of foresaid Containing one hundred Acres unto her & her

~~heirs Lawfully Begotten of her Body but if She the said Rebecca Silvester should Die without Issue then the said Land~~ = This will Recorded in fol.o 494

I Charles Carroll of the City of Annapolis in the Province of Maryland being at present weak of Body but of Sound Disposing mind and Memory and being Certain of a Dissolution here the not of the time place and manner do give my Soul unto the Hands of Almighty God Trusting thro the merits of his Dear Son Jesus Christ who Died for the Redemption of Sinners to meet with that happyness provided for the Just as to what worldly Estate God has been pleased to Grant unto me I Give Devise and Bequeath the same both Real and Personal unto my Son Charles Carroll of the Middle Temple his heirs and Assigns for ever

And I hereby appoint my said Son Sole and whole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament hereby Revoking all former Wills by me made

I Desire that my said Son will pay to my wife Ann Carroll if she Survives me the sum of fifty pounds Sterling yearly During her Natural Life which by Marriage Articles with her and George Slater Esq.r I Covenanted to do in lieu of all Dower and Thirds or any other part of my Real or personal Estate

And I Desire that if any Salent Demands Should be made against my Estate after my Decease that my said Son Plead the Act of Limitation thereto being well assured that I can owe no such

And I Advise my said Son not to have my Estate Appraised to save him that Cavorbitant Expence as I am sure there will be more than will pay my Debts by many thousand pounds I mean of my personal Estate for my Debts are very Little except to the paper Office which is a Bond of George Thorpe for a hundred pounds and the money I am to pay for William Alexanders houses in this City on Severn River Amounts of which will appear in my Books.

I desire that my Executor will pay unto Mr Nicholas Maccubbin my Son in Law and to his wife Mary Clare Maccubbin and to his Daughter Mary and Son Nicholas and his youngest Son the Sum of Ten pounds Sterling Each to buy Mourning

And Lastly I declare that I die in Communion with the Church of England as by Law Established now to God the Father God the Son and God the Holy Ghost three Persons and one God Be all Honour Glory and praise now and for evermore

In Testimony that this is my Last Will and Testament I have hereunto

Set my hand and Seal this fourteenth Day of September one thousand seven hundred and fifty four

C. Carroll (Seal)

Signed Sealed Published Pronounced and Declared by the Testator in presence of us Lanc.t Jacques, Jo: Chalmers, Jonathan Pinkney, Tho.s Williamson } On the Back of the aforegoing Will was wrote the following Probate Viz.t

On the fourth Day of October 1755 Came Jonathan Pinkney and Thomas Williamson two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the written Will and being first Duly Sworn on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God Depose and say that they saw the within Testator Charles Carroll Sign and Seal Publish and declare the within writing as and to be his Last Will and Testament And that at the time of his so Doing to the best of their apprehension and Belief he was of sound and Disposing mind and Memory and that they the said Deponents Signed their names as Witnesses to and of the Execution of the said Last Will and Testament in the presence and at the Request of the same Testator Sworn before me the Day and year above written Dan: Dulany Com.y Gen.l

6½ fides

In the name of God Amen I Nathaniel Hynson of Kent County now being of sound and perfect Disposing Mind and Memory do make this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following Viz.t

Imprimis I Give and Bequeath to my Son Charles Hynson the Land and Plantation he now possesses with the Improvements to him and his heirs for ever Viz.t Beginning at a Cedar post marked with nine notches Standing on a Gut Issuing from Long Creek and Running from thence North Eighty five Degrees west Twenty seven perches then North sixty nine Deg.s west Twenty two perches then north sixty Degrees West Eighteen perches to the South side of a fresh pond then through the said pond North twelve Degrees forty five Min.ts East twenty seven perches then North eighty eight Degrees East twenty two perches then north fifty Eight deg.s East twenty four perches then North sixty six Deg.s East fifty five perches then North thirty one deg.s East twenty seven perch.s to another Cedar Post marked with nine Notches Standing on a Gut Issuing out of Chester River between Short Neck & Elk

Neck and Running with the said Gut to the said River and by and with the said River to long Creek then by and with the said Creek the first marked post Containing sixty Acres of Land more or Less and provided my aforesaid Son Charles should Die without male Issue I Will that the said Land and Improvements Descend to and become the property of my Son William Hynson and his heirs male for ever

Item I Give and Bequeath to my Son Benjamin Hynson and his heirs for ever the Plantation that William Toomay now Lives on with all the Land and Improvements Contained within the following lines Viz.t Beginning at a Locust Post marked with nine notches at the mouth of a Gut Issuing from the middle of Elk Cove in the Eastern Island and Running from thence north Eighty Eight Degrees West Eighty six perches to another Locust Post marked with nine notches and standing at the head of the said Gut then north Eighty seven Degrees forty five Min.ts West Eighty two perches to a Locust Bush marked with nine notches then from the said Bush North Eighty five Degrees West one hundred twenty and two perches to a Locust Post standing on Calve pasture Creek then by and with the said Creek and Water to the Narrows and with the said Narrows and water Courses from the same Elk point and the said point by and with Chester River to the Mouth of Elk Cove and then by and with the said Cove to the first marked Locust Containing one hundred and sixty Acres of Land more or Less and in Case my said son Benjamin Die without Male Issue I Bequeath the said Land after his Death to my Son William and his Male Issue begotten of his Body for ever

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Son John Hynson and his heirs for ever all my other Lands Plantations and Improvements in the Eastern neck Island Reserving to my Loving wife Mary Hynson her Legall Right of Dower in the said Land and Plantations debarring her of Sale or Waste of any Timber thereunto belonging — I Give and Bequeath to my Son Nathaniel Hynson one of the Negroe Boys called Cudjoe and Cabinder at his Election to Chuse either of them within three Months after my Decease as his full Share with what he has already received of my personal Estate

Item I give and Bequeath to my Daughter Hannah Hollis a Legacy of Sheep ten Bushells of wheat and one young Cow with a Negroe Girl called Bido as her full Share of all my Estate

Item I Give and Bequeath to my Daughter Rachel Cretchard one Negroe Girl called Bett and four Sheep as her Share of all my Estate

Item I Give and Bequeath to my Daughter Mary Hynson one Negroe Woman called Phillis the wife of Cudgoe with a Bed and furniture two Cows six sheep and a Young Black Mare which is now called hers Likewise six year old hogs as her full share of all my Estate

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Grandson William Hynson the son of John one Negroe Girl called Violet

Item I will that my two sons Thomas and Charles have none other part of my Estate than they have already received which I hereby Ratify and Confirm to be theirs Sole Right and Property except six Sheep which I give to my aforesaid Son Charles

Item I Will and Confirm to my Son John Hynson all such things as he has already received barring his Claim or Demand for any other part of my Personal Estate

Item I Give and Bequeath to my Son William Hynson his Choice of all my Negroe Boys except the one my Son Nathaniel shall Chuse Likewise thirty pounds Current money of Maryland or the value thereof in Tobacco at the Market price as his full share of all my Estate

Item I Give and Bequeath to my Son Benjamin Hynson one Negroe Boy called Pompy another called James and a Girl called Anna with one third of my Personal Estate remaining after my Debts Legacys and Donations heretofore expressed be all taken out

Item I Give and Bequeath to my Loving wife Mary Hynson all the Remaining part of my personal Estate provided and it is my Will that she accept the same quitting all manner of Right or Claim to the third part thereof as also the Right of Dower to the Land Bequeathed to my Son Charles

Lastly I appoint and Constitute my Loving wife Mary Hynson and my Son John Hynson Executrix and Executor of this my Last Will and Testament to Execute the same according to the true intent and meaning thereof Willing that my said Son John have Legall Commissions for his Trouble without any Right to the use or profits arising from the Service of the Servants or slaves belonging to my Estate And I do hereby Revoke and Disannull all other Wills and Testaments by me heretofore made or intended to be made In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand & Fixed my Seal this third day of August in the year of Lord Seven hundred and fifty five Signed Sealed & Acknowledged in presence of us Alex Williamson Darby Hanns Nathanel Rogers

Nath Hynson Seal

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was wrote the following Probate Viz

Kent County ss On the 3d day of September 1755 Alexander Williamson Carby Hands and Nathaniel Rogers the Subscribing Witnesses to the within written Will of Nathan: Hynson the Testator within named being Sworn on the Holy Evangelis Deposed and Declared that they saw the said Testator Nathaniel Hynson Sign and Seal the same Will and heard him publish and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the same time he was to the Best of their Knowledge of Sound and Disposing mind and Memory that they the said Deponents Subscribed their Respective names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request. This done in the presence of the heir at Law of the Testator who made no Objection thereto

Sworn before Joseph Nicholson Dep: Comm:ry
Kent County

12 sides

In the Name of God Amen I Thomas Coursey Brown of Kent County in the Province of Maryland being of Sound and perfect Disposing mind and Memory thanks be to God for the Blessing do make my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following Viz:

Imprimis I Give and Bequeath unto my Loving wife Cassandra as a Legacy the horse called Snip with her Saddle and Bridle and a Set of China Tea Cups

Item I Give unto my Daughter Martha a pair of Silver Shoe Buckles a good Ring and a Gold from the mare called Joan and I Will that her Aunt Welthy Ann Coursey take and bring up my said Daughter

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Son Thomas all the Land that I have a Right to of the Parcell Lying in the Eastern Neck called Trumping Town to him and his heirs for ever and also give my said Son the Gold Ring now in possession of his Aunt Coursey as also my Gunn

Item I Will that my Loving wife keep my Son Thomas and keep him at School untill he has Education Sufficient for Country Business and then to Bind him to Mr Charles Tilden of Living at that day in order to Learn the Trade of a Joiner

Item I will appoint and Authorize my Trusty Friends Mr Thomas Ringgold Attorney and William Hynson Senr or either of them to make over and Convey unto my Brother John Brown within Six Months after the Decease of my Dear Mother the Nothernmost half of that part of the Land called Trumpintown which my Mother

and self now Live to be Conveyed to him the said John his heirs and Assigns Agreeable to the Tenor of a Bond by me passed for performance of the same

Item I Will that after my Just Debts and funeral Charges are paid that the Remaining part of my Personal Estate be Equally Divided among my Dear wife and Two Children and thereby appoint and Ordain my Dear wife to be Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament Revoaking all other Wills by me heretofore made or Intended to be made In Confirmation of which thereunto set my hand and Seal this seventh Day of May in the year of Lord seventeen hundred and fifty five

Signed Sealed and Acknowledged to be the Last Will of the Testator in presence of us — } Coursey Thomas Browne (Seal)

Alex: Williamson
Martha Browne
Margaret Mac Donald } Affixed to the aforegoing Will was wrote the following Probate viz:

Kent County ss: On the third day of September Seventeen hundred fifty five Alexander Williamson and Martha Brown Subscribing Witnesses to the with in written Will of Thomas Corsey Brown the Testator within names being Sworn on the Holy Evangels Deposed and Declared that they saw the Said Thomas Corsey Brown the Testator Sign and Seal the same Will and heard him Publish and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the same time he was to the best of their Knowledge and apprehension of Sound and Disposing mind and Memory that they the said Deponents together with Margaret Mac Donald the other Subscribing witness Subscribed their Respective names as Witnesses to the within Will in the presence and at the Request of the said Testator

Sworn Before Joseph Nicholson Dep: Com: Kent County

5½ sides

In the name of God Amen I William Ralph of Chester Town in Kent County in Maryland being Sick and weak in Body but of sound and Disposing mind and Memory make this my Last Will and Testament in manner following

I give first my Negroe Man Jack to my Son John Ralph

also my Negroe Woman Nan and her increase to my Daughter Nancy
Also my Negroe Girl Rachel and her increase to my Daughter Francis
I give my Sister Martha my Reding Chair
The Rest of my Personal Estate if any Left after my just Debts and
funeral Charges paid I Leave to be equally devided between my three Children
Lastly I hereby Constitute and appoint my Loving Brother John Rolph under
the Direction and advice of my good frend Thomas Ringgold of Chester Town my
whole and Sole Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament and also Guardian to
my Children and their Estates till they come of age my Son to Twenty one years
my Daughters to sixteen years or Marriage In Witness whereof I have hereunto
Set my hand and Seal this 20th of August 1755

Signed Sealed Published and Declared by the Testator to be his Last Will and Testament in presence of us — } Wm Rolph (Seal)

Moses Chepley
Mary Smith } On the Back of the aforegoing Will was wrote the following Probate Viz.t

Kent County ss: On the thirteenth day of August one thousand seven hundred and fifty five Moses Chipley and Mary Smith the Subscribing Witnesses to the within written Will of William Rolph The Testator within named being Sworn on the Holy Evangelis Deposed and Declared that they saw the said Testator William Rolph Sign and Seal the same Will and heard him Publish and Declare the same to be his Last will and Testament that at the same time he was of a Sound and Disposing mind and Memory to the best of their knowledge and apprehension and that they the said Deponants Subscribed their Respective names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request This done in the presence of the Executor the heir at Law being about seven years of age

3½ fides — Sworn before Joseph Nicholson Dep.ty Reg.r Kent County

In the name of God Amen I Henry Ballard of Somerset County in the Province of Maryland being weak of Body but of sound Disposing Mind Memory and understand thanks be to Almighty God and calling to Rememberance of the uncertainty of this Mortal State and that it is appointed unto all men once to die do make this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following

Imprimis Forasmuchas I have used an Industrious and paternal Care and been at a Larger Expence and Charge than my Circumstances in the world from a Numerous Family could well afford in Geting my Son Charles Ballard well Educated and Instructed in a Profitable Business which with his own Care and Diligence with the Blessing of God may afford him a Comfortable Livelyhood I do therefore Give and Bequeath unto my said Son Charles Ballard one Shilling Sterling in full for what he may Expect or I Intend to him out of my Estate Real and personall

Item Whereas I have heretofore given unto my Daughter Prudella Mitchell the wife of Stephen Mitchell one Negroe Woman named Pallina and two Negroe Children Jacob and Sarah and Sundry other Chattels now in their Possession I do therefore Confirm the same and every of them absolutely unto my said Daughter in full of and for her Share or part of my Estate

Item I Give and Devise unto my well Beloved wife Mary one third part of my Real Estate for and during the term of her Natural Life

Item I Give and Devise unto my Son Robert Ballard and his heirs and Assigns for ever Two thirds of my Real Estate and also the Remaining one third after the Decease of his Mother whom I have before Devised the said one third for her Life unto the only proper use and Behoof of my said Son Robert Ballard his heirs and Assigns Provided always and it is my Will that my said Son Robert his heirs or Assigns shall pay and discharge a Bond Debt from myself and my Son Levin to one Samuel Richie and all other my Just Debts and Engagements whatsoever and it is my Intention that my Real Estate be Chargeable therewithe

Item I Give and Bequeath all my Personal Estate of what Nature or kind soever to be Equally Divided between my well Beloved wife Mary ~~and~~ my Sons Robert Levin and Thomas Ballard and my Daughters Eleanor and Ann Ballard And Lastly I do Revoke all former and other Wills by me by me heretofore made and do hereby Constitute and appoint my Loving wife Mary and my Son Robert Ballard Executors of this my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have to these Presence set my hand & fixed my Seal this 11th day of July in the year of our Lord God 1755

Signed Sealed Published & Declared by the Testator as his Last Will and Testament in presence of } Henry Ballard (Seal)

Robt Jenkins Henry: Thos Dinwood: Mary Dinwood

on the Back of the aforegoing Will was wrote the following Probate Viz:

July ye 29th 1755 Came Robert Jenkins Henry and on August the 2 1755 Came Thomas Dinwood and Mary Dinwood Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangelis of Almighty God that they Saw the Testator Henry Ballard Sign and Seal and heard him publish pronounce and Declare the within Instrument of Writing as his Last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so Doing he was to the best of their apprehensions of Sound and Disposing Mind Memory and understanding and that they the said Robert Jenkins Henry Thomas Dinwood and Mary Dinwood Subscribed as Witnesses to the Said Will in the presence and at the Request of the Testator Henry Ballard

Sworn to before Nehemiah King Dep: Com: of Som: Co: County

at the foot of the foregoing Probate was wrote the following Election Viz:

August ye 2 1755 Came Mary Ballard Executrix and Widow of the Testator Henry Ballard and made her Election on this Will and Desires to be Concluded by the Provision made her therein before Nehemiah King C: C:

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In the name of God Amen I Alexander Vance of Somerset County and Province of Maryland Taylor being weak of Body but of Sound and perfect mind & Memory thanks be to Almighty God for it and Calling to mind the uncertainty of this Transitory Life and that all flesh must yield to Death when it shall please God to Call Do make Ordain and Declare this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following Viz:

And first of all I Recomend my Soul unto the hands of God that gave it and my Body to the Earth to be buryed in a Christian Like manner at the Discretion of my Executors and as Touching such worldly Things as it hath pleased God to be Bless me with after my Just Debts and funeral Charges is paid I Leave and Bequeath in manner and form follow:

Item I Leave and Bequeath to my Son James Vance all that Tract of Land called what you please to him and his heirs for ever excepting my wifes Life time Item I Leave and Bequeath unto my son Thomas Vance one shilling Sterling Item I Leave and Bequeath unto my Son John Vance one shilling Sterling Item my Will is that if my Son James Vance should die without a lawfull Begotten heir of his Body that my Daughter Sarah Vance should Inherit the above said Tract of Land to her and her heirs for ever

Item I Leave my Well Beloved wife hole Excr named Mary Vane of all my Goods and Chattels and every thing that the Lord hath Bestowed upon me I do make this my Last Will and Testament Disannulling all other Wills and Testaments by me made as Witness my hand and Seal this Twentieth Day of October 1753

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Alexander X Vane (Seal)
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Testes
James Hayman
Isaac Hayman
Sarah Hayman

} at the foot of the foregoing Will was wrote the following Probate Viz

September ye 20th 1755 Came Isaac Hayman and James Hayman the only Surviving Witnesses to this Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they saw the Testator Alexander Vane Sign and Seal and heard him publish pronounce and declare this Instrument of Writing and his Last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehensions of sound and disposing mind Memory and understanding and that they the said Isaac Hayman and James Hayman Subscribed as Witnesses and further on their Oaths do say they saw the other Witness now dead Subscribe as a Witness at same time which was all done in the presence and at the Request of the Testator Alexander Vane

Sworn to before Nehemiah King Dep^y Com^ry of Somerset County

5 sides —

On the Back of the aforegoing was wrote the Widows Election Viz^d

Septem^r the 20th 1755 Came Mary Vane before me the Subscriber and Chose to be Concluded by the thirds of the Personal Estate and and Accepts of the Devise as to the Real Estate

Testis Nehemiah King D Com^ry of Som^t County

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In the name of God Amen I John Key Being at this time weak in Body tho perfect and sound both in mind and Memory thanks to Almighty for the same being Sensible of the uncertainty of this Life do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament in manner following Viz^d

Imprimis I Commit my Body to the Earth to be decently Interred and my Soul I Recomend to the Mercy of Almighty God hoping thro' the merits of my Blessed Redeemer to Receive Remission of my sins

and as much Worldly Goods as it hath pleased God to Bless me with I Dispose of as follows. To my Beloved wife I give my new Dwelling Plantation During her Widows Life and after her Decease to my Son Philip and his heirs forever and I also give my wife the following Negroe Slaves Viz^t Adam Sarah Jerry and Abigall and their future Increase

To my Son Philip I give the piece of Manner Land I bought from John Nichols — called Nicholases Adventure to him and his heirs for ever

To my wife I Give the Two Silver Cups I now have During her Life and then to my Son Philip. To my Son Philip I also give the following Negroe Slaves Viz^t Harry Bess and Nell and their future Increase

To my Daughter Susanna I give the following Negroe Slaves Viz^t Judith and her Child Lacey Sarahs Child Sue and Rachel and their future Increase

I appoint my Beloved wife my whole and Sole Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament and in Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal this 26th Day of March Anno Domini 1755

John Key (Seal)

Signed Sealed and Declared to be his Last Will in the presence of

Richd Brown
Willm Harrison
Jno Swan

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was wrote the following Probate Viz^t

St Marys County ss Septem^r the 2^d 1755 Then Richard Brown William Harrison and James Swann the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being Duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God Depose and Say that they Saw the Testator John Key Sign the foregoing Will and heard him Publish and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the time of his So Doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of Sound and Disposing Mind and Memory, and that they Subscribed their Respective names as Witnesses in the presence of the said Testator and at his Request

Sworn to before me Tho: Misquith Dep^y Comm^r of St Marys Cty

I hereby Certify that the Deceased Widow made her Election and Stands to the Will } before me Tho Misquith Dep^y Cler of St Marys County

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I Shipw^th Coale of Baltimore County Province of Maryland Being Weak of Body but of perfect mind and Memory and Calling to mind the uncertainty of time for to make and Declare this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following Viz^t

Imprimis I Give and bequeath to my Son Shipwith Coale my Late Dwelling Plantation with the Land belonging thereto being part of a Tract of Land called Stone Hill to him and his heirs and Assigns for ever

Item I Give and Bequeath to my Son William Coale my Tract or parcel of Land purchased of George Jones called Arabia Petra to him his heirs and Assigns for ever

Item I Give and Bequeath to my Son Philip Coale my Tract or Parcel of Land on Deer Creek Purchased of Joseph Henly being part of Batchellors Good Luck and Henlys Enlargement to him his heirs and Assigns for ever

Item I Give and Bequeath to my Son Samuel Cole my Tract or Parcel of Land Lying in the Barrens being what I purchased of Pilgrim and Simpson to him and his heirs and Assigns for ever

Item I Order and its my will if Either of my Sons dye befor they Come to Age or without Issue that then their Lands as above Particularly Given Devend unto and be the Equal Property of my three Daughters Cas: Sus: and Sarah Coale them their heirs and Assigns forever

Item I Will and Order that my Dear wife Margaret Coale have her thirds of my Real Estate wholy taken out of my Son Shipwith Coales Land given in the first Paragraph my other Lands Given my other three Sons Viz: William Philip and Samuel Coale to be Exempt and my Will is that she my Dear wife have the use and mannagement of the whole of my Real Estate During her Widowhood

Item I Give and Bequeath to my Daughter Casandra Coale my Negroe Girl named Rachel wth her Increase to her and heirs and Assigns and to my Daughter Susannah Coale my Negroe Girl named Lilsey and a Negroe Boy named Tom with the Increase to her and heirs and Assigns and to my daughter Sarah Coale my Negroe Girl named Phillis wth her Increase to her and heirs and Assigns

Item I Order and its my Will the Residue of my Personal Estate after my Just Debts are paid & my Dear wife Margaret Cole hath her thirds thereof which is my mind and Will she should that the Remainder or Residue as afores shall be Equally devided amongst my Seven Children Viz: Ship wth William Philip Casandra Susannah Sarah and Samuel Coale

And Lastly I hereby Constitute and Appoint my Dear and Loving wife Margaret Cole my whole and Sole Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and affixed my Seal this thirty first Day of the 8th Month calles August 1755

Signed Sealed and Acknowledged
In presence of us

R: Dallam Jos Henly
Joseph Hopkins Thomas Harrisone
Saml Harris

Skipw^th his ⅄ mark Coale (Seal)

on the Back of the aforegoing Will was wrote the following Probate Viz^t

Baltimore County Octo^r 6th 1755 Then Came Richard Dallam and Joseph Henley two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and being Duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God Do Depose and Say that they saw the Testator Skipw^th Coale Sign the foregoing Will and heard him Publish and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament at the same time Saml Harris one of the other Subscribing Witnesses being one of the People called Quakers Solemnly that he Saw the said Testator Sign the said Will and Declares it to be his Last Will and Testament That at the time of his so Doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of sound and Disposing mind and memory That they Severally Subscribed their Respective names as Witnesses to the said Will as also did they see Joseph Hopkins and Thomas Harrison set their names as Witnesses to the said Will In the presence of the Testator and at his Request Sworn and Affirmed

7^p sides before W Young Comm^r of Baltimore County

Frederick County August the 2: 1755 This day Mr William Copeland Aged about Sixty five years after being Sworn on the Holy Evangelis of Almighty God Deposeth as followeth that about Eighteen Months ago he was in Company with Robert Hubbin and at the same time he heard him say that when he Died he would give all that he had to Sarah Linn Daughter of Mr David Linn and he the said Copeland Declares that he has often heard the said Hubbin Repeat the same words to the best of his knowledge

1 side Before John Rawlins

In the Name of God Amen the Eighteenth Day of August in the year of our Lord One thousand Seven hundred and fifty five I Susannah Beatty of Frederick County in the Province of Maryland Widow being very Sick and Weak in Body but of perfect mind and Memory thanks be to God therefore Calling unto mind the Mortality of my Body and knowing that it is appointed for all men to Die do make and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament That is to say Principally and first of all I Give and Recommend my Soul into the hands of Almighty God that gave it and my Body I Recommend to the Earth to be Buried in Decent Christian Burial at the Discretion of my Executor nothing Doubting but at the General Resurection I shall Receive the same again by the mighty power of God and as Touching such Worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to Bless me in this Life I give demise and Dispose of the same in the following manner and form

Imprimis I Give and Bequeath to Edward Beatty my Loving Son the sum of Eighty pounds Current money of Maryland to be Raised and Levied out of my Estate

Item I Give and Bequeath to Ezra Beatty my Loving Son the sum of forty pounds Current money of Maryland to be raised and Levied out of my Estate

Item I Give and Bequeath to Elijah Beatty my Loving Son the Sum of forty pounds Current money to be Raised & Levied out of my Estate

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Loving Sister Catharine Barnes wife of William Barnes all my wearing Apparel and the sum of forty pounds Current money of Maryland to be Raised and Levied out of my Estate and I Give and Bequeath unto my Brother in Law William Barnes his Exec.rs Admin.rs or Assigns all the Crop now Growing on the Plantation whereon he now Dwells

Item I Give and Bequeath all the Rest and Residue of my Estate unto my Loving Sons Ezekiel Beatty Ezra Beatty Elijah Beatty and Edward Beatty to be Equally Divided between them

And Lastly I do hereby Constitute make and Ordain my Loving Brother Henry Cock of Kingswood in the West New Jersey my

whole and Sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal the Day and year above written

Signed Sealed Published pronounced and Declared by the Said Susannah Beatty as her Last Will and Testament in the presence of us the Subscribers the words my Loving Son between the fourteenth and fifteenth Lines being first Interlined

Susanna Beatty (Seal)

John Kimbol
Casper Shaff
Thomas Price

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was wrote the following Probate Viz:t

9th September 1755 John Kimbol and Casper Shaff two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the Within Will being Duly Sworn on the holy Evangelists of Almighty God Depose and Say that they saw the Testator Susannah Beatty Sign the within Will and heard her publish and Declare the same to be her Last Will and Testament and that at the time of her so Doing she was to the best of their apprehension of Sound and Disposing mind and memory Sworn to before Reverdy Ghiselin Dep.y Com.ry of Fred.k County

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On the 5th day of August Anno Dom 1755 William James Ralph Green and Mary Willson of Dorchester County in the Province of Maryland being Duly and Solemnly Sworn on the holy Evangelists of Almighty God Do Depose and Say that about three of Clock this Day in the Morning Died at the house of James Steward of the County aforesaid a Certain Richard Fortune of the same County Merchant that some Days before he Dies these Deponants heard him the said Richard Fortune Publish and Declare his Last Will and Testament in manner and form following Saying Jammey Steward I am going to Die Take all I have and let it be Divided between you and Sarah Brannock but Two hogsheads of Tob.o which you must Ship to a Certain Joshua Bryan by Capt. Edw. Barnes which I hope will Satisfy you both for any Trouble you may have had w.th me and that deponants further Depose and Say that at the time of his so Doing he was to the best of their apprehension of sound & disposing mind and memory Sworn before me the Day and year above written

Jn.o Auld D. Com.ry Dor Cont.y

In the name of God Amen the 28th day of June Anno Domini 1752 I John Bounds of Dorchester County in the Province aforesaid Planter being well in health and perfect mind and Memory thanks be given to God for the same therefore Calling to mind the Mortality of my Body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to Die do make and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament that is to say principally and first of all I Give and Recommend my Soul unto the hands of Almighty God that gave it and my Body I Recommend to the Earth to be Buried at the Discretion of my Executor nothing Doubting but at the General Resurection I shall Receive the same again by the Mighty power of God as touching such Worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to Bless me in this Life I Give Devise and Dispose of the same in manner and form following. Imprimis I make and Constitute my well Beloved wife my Sole Executor of all my Moverables and all my Lands hereto belonging to her Disposal Item I Give and Bequeath to Philip Reeds 37 Acres of Land called Partnership upon the payment of Thirteen shillings Sterling to him and his heirs for ever

Constituting my well beloved wife Susan my hole and Sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament Revoking and disannulling all other former Wills or Testaments heretofore by me made Ratifying and Confirming this and no other to be my Last Will and Testament in Witness hereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal the Day and year abovementioned

Test: Nathan Young
William Riath
John Hales

John his mark Bounds (Seal)

} at the foot of the aforegoing Will was wrote the following Memm Viz.t

Memr: heir at Law a Minor proved by two Witnesses and that they see Wm Wrath Sign the same Octo: 1th — on the Back of the aforegoing was wrote the following Probate Viz.t

On the 4th day of October Anno Domini 1755 Nathan Young and John Hale two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will being Duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangelis of Almighty God Depose and Say that they Saw the Testator John Bounds Sign the aforegoing Will and heard him Publish and Declare the same

to be his Last Will and Testament that at the time of his so Doing he was to the best of their apprehension of Sound and Disposing mind and memory and that they together with William Wraith the other Subscribing Witness Subscribed their Respective names as Witnesses to the Said Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his request

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In the name of God Amen I Thomas Thompson of Dorchester County of the Province of Maryland being Sick and Weak of Body but of Perfect mind sense and Memory thanks be Given to Almighty God for the same and Calling to mind that it is Appointed once for all men to Die I do make and Ordain this to be my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following first I Recommend my Soul unto the Hands of Almighty God that gave it me hoping that through the Passions of our Blessed Saviour Jesus Christ to Receive the same at the General Resurection at the Last Day and my Body I Recommend to the Earth to be Buried in a Christian Like manner at the Discretion of my Exec.rs hereafter named and as for Touching my Worldly Estate that it hath pleased God to Bless me with I Give and Dispose of in the manner & form following

First I Give and Bequeath unto my Son Edward Thompson a Negroe man named Dick till the time that my Son John Thompson Comes to the age of Eighteen years and then to my Son John but my Son Edward Thompson to give my Son John three years Schooling and to find him Cloaths for the time of his Schooling Second I Give and Bequeath to my Son John Thompson one Heffer that hath been marked on purpose for him I also Desire that my Son John Thompson should have his Portion at the age of Eighteen years and that his Uncle George Herbman should have the Care of him till he comes to that age

And further it is my Desire that my Daughter Mary Thompson should be under the Care of Isabel Smith untill such time as she shall be of age to take Care of herself

And further I do Nominate and appoint my Son Edward Thompson to be whole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament hereby Revoaking and Disannulling all other Wills heretofore made Acknowledging this and no other to be my Last Will and Testament In Witness Whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal this Sixth Day of

April 1754 Signed Sealed published and Declared to be my Last Will and Test-
-ament in the presence of us

Thomas Stanton
John Thompson
Charles Windows

Thomas T his mark Thompson

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was wrote the following Probate Viz:t.

On the 19th day of July Anno Domini 1755 Thomas Stanton and Charles Windows Two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being duly and Solemnly Sworn on the holy Evangelists of Almighty God Depose and say that they saw the Testator Thomas Thompson Sign the foregoing Will and heard him Publish and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the time of his so Doing he was to the best of their apprehension of Sound and Disposing mind and memory and that they together with John Thompson the other Subscribing Witness Subscribed their Respective names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his Request

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Province of Maryland Sct.

In the Name of God Amen

I George Lucford now of the City of Annapolis in Ann Arundell County in the Province of Maryland in America Serivener, but late of Linfield in the County of Sussex in the Kingdom of England in Great Britain, Eldest Son and Heir at Law of George Lucford late of Linfield Aforesaid in the County of Sussex in the Kingdom of England Aforesaid Gentleman Deceased, being in Perfect Mind and Memory and Calling to Remembrance the Mortality of this Life and knowing that it is Appointed for all men once to Dye and leave this World with all things Transitory therein do make Constitute and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament in Manner and form following hereby Revoking all former Wills or Wills Codicills or Codicills by me made and do hereby Order and Direct this to be Taken and allowed as my Will and none Other

IMPRIMIS I Recommend my Soul into the hands of Almighty God, hoping that Through the merits and Passion of Christ Jesus my Saviour and Redeemer I shall Enjoy an Eternal Salvation, and my Body I hope will be Decently Interred by the Direction of my Executor herein after named and as Touching what worldly Estate I have or in any manner may be Intitled to have Either in Possession Reversion or Remainder, I give Devise and Bequeath the same in Manner and form following that is to say. I do

hereby Order Direct and Appoint that all my Just Debts be Paid and Discharged and the Charges of my Funeral be Defrayed by my Executor herein after Named.
2dly Whereas George Luxford my Father aforesaid on his Marriage with a Certain Mary Wyatt of the County of Sussex aforesaid Gentlewoman by an Instrument in Writing Commonly Called a Marriage Settlement made Ordr to Certain Trustees Viz.t to Walter Burrell of the Parish of Linfield aforesaid Gentleman Since Deceased, and Others therein Mentioned and to the Survivors of them and to the Heirs of the Survivors of them, Certain Tracts of Land and Tenements Situated Lying and Being in the Parishes of Linfield, Horsted Keyne and Other Places in the County of Sussex aforesaid of the Yearly Value of One Hundred Pounds p.t Annum and Upwards in Trust and to Stand for the use of the said Mary Wyatt and the Heirs of her Body Begotten by the said George Luxford my Father but for want of such Issue the Lands were to Revert and Turn Back to the said George Luxford my Father, and his Heirs and Assigns for Ever; & by the said Marriage Settlement Now in the Hands of the Reverend Mr. Timothy Burrell of the Parish of Linfield aforesaid the only Surviving Trustee. it doth and may more fully and Plainly appear And Whereas the said George Luxford my Father had but one Child by his said Wife Mary, formerly Called Mary Wyatt which said Child was named Mary Luxford which said Mary the Daughter Intermarried with a Certain William Chambers of the County of Sussex aforesaid by whom she had two Children both of which are Dead And Whereas George Luxford aforesaid my Father had Two Children by a Second Venture at the Time of his Death, Viz.t, Namely, George Luxford his Eldest Son and Walter Luxford Since Deceased. and Whereas I George Luxford am the Next Immediate Heir at Law to the Lands aforementioned after the Decease of the Said Mary Chambers and her Husband for want of Issue. And Whereas I have been Informed from England that a Certain Cossart Late of the Church Land in London Gentlewoman, Departed this Life who was my Aunt, and as I have Been Informed by her last Will and Testament in Writing Among Other Things did Give and Bequeath to me the Sum of two Hundred Pounds or some Other Sum, and of her said Will did Constitute and Appoint Eggleham her Sister Executor thereof. And Whereas I never Received any Part or Parcell of the Said Legacy, I Give and Bequeath unto my Trusty and Loving Friend Michael Macnemara Esq.r of the City of Annapolis aforesaid aforesaid the Sum of Two Hundred Pounds or whatsoever Sum or Sums of Money was Bequeathed unto me By the Will of the said Cossart my Aunt be the same Sum of Two Hundred Pounds or whatsoever Sum Bequeathed unto me by the said Cossart in whosoever Hands Possession or Trust the same now or hereafter may Be found To and for the Sole use and Benefit of him the said Michael Macnemara and for none Other use or Benefit whatsoever.

Item I Give and Devise unto the Aforesaid Michael Macnemara his Heirs and Assigns for Ever all those Tracts of Land and Tenements Situated Lying and Being in the Parishes of Linfield, Horsted Keyne and all other Places in the County of Sussex which do in any Manner

appertain or Belong to me, or hereafter may appertain or Belong to me, (and which I am now or hereafter may be Intitled to Either in Possession Reversion or Remainder Together with all Houses, Edifices, Improvements, Gardens, Orchards and all and every Member or Appurtenances to the aforesaid Premises in any wise appertaining or Belonging in Case the said Mary Chambers and her said Husband are Dead) all Rent or Arrearages of Rent out of all or any of the Lands Tenements or Premises now Owing growing or Becoming Due unto me or which hereafter may Accrue grow or Become due to me (in Case of the Death of the said Mary Chambers and her Husband) and which at the time of my Death I may not have Received or in any Manner Disposed of.

Item I give Devise and Bequeath unto the said Michael Macnemara his Heirs and Assigns for ever all my Real and Personal Estate which I am in any Case Intitled to in the Kingdom of England or elsewhere Either in Possession Reversion or Remainder or in any Manner Intitled Unto in Equity. And Lastly I do hereby Ordain Constitute and Appoint Michael Macnemara aforesaid my whole and sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and Seal Written all with my own hand this Thirty First day of December in the Year of our Lord one Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty Three and also Signed my Name at Bellamon Potter Esq.

Geo: Luxford

Signed, Sealed, Published, pronounced and Declared by the said George Luxford to be his last Will and Testament in the Presence of us who have in his Presence and at his Request and in the Presence of each other Subscribed our Names as Witnesses hereto

Geo: Luxford

Seal

Thomas Richardson
Jas Hammond junr
George Gardon
Francis his mark × Chick

On the Back Side of the foregoing Will was the following Probate Viz.

This Will was Acknowledged by George Luxford to be his Will and last Testament and he Appeared to me to have the Judgment and Reason of his Judgment Perfect he Declared to me that he had formed and Retained it some Considerable time before into this Office which I have Subscribed this 21st day of July Seventeen Hundred and fifty four

John MacPherson Surr.

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On the Thirtieth day of October in the year of our Lord Christ one Thousand seven Hundred and Fifty five Came Before Daniel Dulany Esq. Commissary general & Judge for Probate of Wills and Granting Administrations in the Province of Maryland Aforesaid Nathan Hammond Junr. and Francis Chew two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will who severally made Oath upon the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that they Saw the Testator George Luxford Sign Seal Publish Pronounce and Declare the Aforegoing to be his Last Will and Testament that at the Time of his so Doing he was to the Best of their Apprehension of a Sound and Disposing mind and Memory and that they Did severally Subscribe their Names as Witnesses to the said Will in the Presence of Each Other and in the Presence of the said Testator and at his Request and that they saw Thomas Richardson and George Gaston the other Subscribing Witnesses sign their Names as Witnesses to the said Will in the Presence of the said Testator and at his Request and on the same Thirtieth Day of October in the year one Thousand seven Hundred and Fifty five Came the Reverend Master John Macpherson Minister of Saint Anne Parish in Ann Arundell County in the Province of Maryland Aforesaid and made Oath upon the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that he this Deponant was called upon by the Aforesaid Testator George Luxford at the Time of his last Sickness and two Days Before his Death to Subscribe as a Witness to the Aforegoing his the said George Luxfords Will which this Deponant accordingly Did subscribe to, That he heard the said George Luxford Publish Pronounce and Declare the same to be his last Will and Testament that at the Time of his so Doing he the said George Luxford was to the Best of this Deponants Apprehension of a Sound and Disposing Mind and Memory and that he this Deponant did Subscribe his Name as a Witness to the said Will in the Presence of the said Testator and at his Request and he heard the said George Luxford the Testator Declare that he had Signed his Name to the said Will and Duly Executed the same some Considerable Time Before

Taken by Daniel Dulany Com.y Gen.l the Day and Year Aforesaid

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A further Probate on the other side

Province of Maryland Prerogatives Office Ss

On the 10: Day of November in the year of our Lord Christ one Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty Five Came Before the Honourable Benjamin Tasker Esq: Commissary General and Judge for Probate of Wills and Granting Administration in the Province of Maryland aforesaid Thomas Richardson one of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will who made Oath upon the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that he saw the Testator George Lingford Sign Seal Publish Pronounce and Declare the aforegoing to be his last Will and Testament and That at the Time of his Signing he was to the Best of his Deponents Apprehension of a Sound and Disposing Mind and Memory and that he did Subscribe his name as a Witness to the said Will in the Presence of the said Testator and at his Request and that he saw Nathan Hammond Jr. George Gawlonge Francis Lick three Other Subscribing Witnesses to the said Will sign their Names as Witnesses to the said Will in the Presence of the said Testator and at his Request

Sworn Before Benj: Tasker
Com: of Genl

18 Sept

In the Name of God Amen I Daniel Bryan of George Town in Kent County in Maryland am In Sound and perfect Membrey Blessed be God for it Dae make and publish this to be my last Will and Testament in manner following that is to say first I Comit my Soule to Allmighty God and my Bodye to be Desently Buried and no Morning to be Given Except a Hatt band and Gloves to the Monestr and Diffser that fifteen pounds Should be layed out for Course Linin and the same Given to the poor peopel of this parish at the Descretion of my Exeturs I Give to my loveing wife Ann Bryane all my lands and all my worley Goods and Chattels after my lawfull Debts are paid Doureing her Nathrel Life provided She makes no waste nor Destruction of any part thereof then I Give after her Death to my beloved friend Thomas Bourk this Dowling house and lott where I now live with the Brue house and lott and my 2 Brueing Coppers with all things beloaning to the Brueroy that is here now or my be here then after that I order all my land that I have now or may have att my Death with all thing then beling to my Estate to be Sould and if no Blood realation of my one or of my wifes Should Come to hair the Estate that may be then left then my beloved friend Samuel Church to have all Dureing his Nathrel life and if he Should Dies with out haires lawfuley begoton of his Body then I order the Same to be Given in to the poor of this Parish at the Rev.d Samuel Churches Descretion I all so Order and appoint him the said Samuel Church to be my hole and Sole Exeture of this my last will and testment and I order that all my Goods that is now in

525 the hands of Elesebth Bowells should be and reamane with her Dureing her Natheral life provided she keeps all things in Good order and after her Death all things in her hands that was made oure to me to be aploid as the rest of my Estate: I Publish and Declare the above Writing to be my last Will and Testament in the Presents of us. Witness my hand and Seale Signed and Delearred by me April ye 30th 1752.

Signed Sealed published and declared in the presence of us

Daniell Boryane (Seal)

G W Forester

Mary Forster

Kent County ss: On the Back of the aforegoing Will was wrote the following Probate Viz:

On the Eleventh day of November Anno Dom 1754. George William Forrester and Mary Forrester his Wife Subscribing Witnesses to the within Written Will of Daniel Bryan Deced being duely Sworn on the holy Evangils deposed & Declared that they Saw the Same Daniel the Testator Sign and Seal the Same Will and heard him publish and Declare the Same to be his last Will & Testament that at the time of his he was to the best of their Apprehension of Sound and disposeing mind & Memory and that they the Deponents Subscribed their Respective Names as Witnesses to the Same Will in the presence of the Same Testator and at his request.

Sworn before

Ja Calder Dp.y Coly

Kt Coly

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In the Name of God Amen I Eleanor Dorrumple of Calvert County in the Province of Maryland Sinstres being Sick and weak in body but of perfect Sound mind and Memory thanks be to Almighty God therefore, & Calling to mind the uncertainty of this present Life do make & ordain this my Last Will and Testament in Manner and form following. hopeing for Salvation through faith in my Saviour Jesus Christ, & by body to be buried in the Earth at the Direction of my Executor hereafter Named, and as to what Worldly goods or Estate it has pleas'd Almighty God to bless me with (after all my lawfull Debts are paid) I give and bequeath in Manner and form following Viz.

Imps. I give and bequeath to my Loveing Grand Daughter Eleanor Ell one Negro Woman Named Page, and one other named Cate, & one Negro Girl Named Patt and their Increase for Ever. two Cows & Calves one Leather Trunk, one feather bead & furniture to her & her heirs for Ever.

Itm. I give and bequeath to my Loveing Grand Daughter Mary Ell one Negro Girl Named Jane her and her Increase for Ever also one horse Call'd Dobbin to her and her heirs for Ever.

Itm I give & bequeath to my Loveing Grand Daughter Ann Ell one Negro Girl Named Sue and her Increase, to her and heirs for Ever.

Itm All the rest of my Estate not already bequeath'd, my Will and Desire is after my Son Benjamin Ells Decease Should be Equally Divided between my two Grand Children Rebeckah & Benjamin Ell Jun.s and their heirs for Ever.

Lastly I Appoint and ordain my Loveing Son Benjamin Ell whole and Sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament Revokeing and Disallowing all other Will or Wills heretofore by me made. In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand & Seal this 30th day of August 1755.

Signed Sealed Delivered and Acknowledged in Presence of }

Eleanor Dorrumple (Seal)

Jacob Bourne

Eliz.a mark Breedon

Tho.s her Ireland

526 Calv.t County Sep.t 15.th 1755. Came Jacob Bourne Eliz.th Breedon and Thomas Ireland Subscribing Witnes to the foregoing Will and being Sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God Depose and Say that they Saw the Testator Eleanor Dorrumple Sign the foregoing Will and heard he Publish and Declare the Same to be her Last Will & Testament that at the time of her so doing She was to the best of their Apprehention of Sound Disposeing mind and Memory.

Sworn Before Clem.t Smith, Dep.ty
Com.ry Calv.t County.

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Maryland

I Sarah Somervell of Calv.t County and Province afs.d being Sick and week of body but in perfect Memory and Remembrance do make this my last Will and Testament in Manner and form follows. first I Bequeath my Sole to God that gave it me in Sure and Certain hope of Eternal Life through the Merits of Jesus Christ and my Body to be Desently buryed by my Executors hereafter Named.

Imprs.: I give and Bequeath to my Son Jn.o Somervel one Negro boy Named Race to him and his heirs forever.

Item. I give and bequeath to my Son James & Alex.r Somervel and to my Grand Daughter Sarah Bourn all and every Indiviedall part of my Estate except one Negro Girle to my S.d Grand Daughter Sarah Bourne Named Young Flora Daughter of old Flora and farmer except what before I have given to my Son John to be Equally Devided amongst them but in Case my S.d Grand Daughter Sarah Bourn Shoud Dye before She Arrives to the Age of Sixteen years my will is that her part of my Estate given her goe to my S.d two Sons James and Alex.r Somervell them and their heirs forever. and Lastly I Constitute and apoint my afs.d two Sons James & Alexand.r Somervell Whole & Sole Executors of this my last Will and Testament in Testamony whereof I have hereunto Set my hand & Seale this 8.th Day of March 1755.

Sign.d Seal.d and Acknowledg.d
In Presence of
Elliner Dorrumpl
Mary her M mark Greves
Clagett

Sarah Somervell (Seal)

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was wrote the following Words Viz.d

Calv.t County Sep.t 9.th 15.th 1755. Came Eleanor Dorrumple Mary Greves & Charles Clagett Subscribing Witness to the foregoing Will & being Duly and Sollomnly Sworn on the holy Evengelist of Almighty God Depose and Say that they saw the Testator Sarah Somervell Sign the foregoing Will and heard her Publish and Declear the Same to be her last Will and Testament that at the time her so doing She was to the best of their Apprehention of Sound Disposing mind and Memory.

Sworn Before Clem.t Smith Dep.ty Com.ry
Calv.t County

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527 In the Name of God Amen I Mary Parker of Calvert County in the Provence of Maryland Widow being Sick and weak but of Perfect mind and Memory thanks be to Almighty God. Do make this my Last Will and Testament. First I Commend my Soul into the hands of Almighty God as a faithfull Creator which I humbly Beseech his Majesty to Except &c

And as touching my Worldly Estate I order and Dispose of as follows Viz:

First I Apoint my Trusty friend John Goe to be my whole and Sole Executrix of my Estate and to pay all my Debts and the Remainder of my Estate Raical and Partinal I Give and Bequeath to the said John Goe and his heirs for Ever.

Secondly my Will is that the Said John Goe be as a Gardeen to my two Grand Children Mary Orme and Nathaniel Buchmaster till Such time as they Come to Age to Choose for them Selves and I do hereby Revoke all other Wills by me heretofore made in Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal this fourth Day of October in the Year of our Lord God one thousand Seven hundred and fifty one.

Signed Sealed Published and Declared by the Said Mary Parker to be her Last Will and Testament in the Presents of us

Mary her M mark Parker (Seal)

Rousby Miller

William his J mark Allin

Elizabeth her L mark Foster

Be it Remembered that this 21. day of March 5755. at the Request of John Goe the foregoing was Read to the Testator who Acknowledged that She Signed the Same on the day of the Date there of and Desired us the Subscribers to Attest as Evidences that this Writeing is only is her Last Will and Testament as Witness our hands the Date above

Ellis Slater

James Clark

Eliz.a her X mark Clark

Calv.t County April q.d 4.th 5755. Came Ellis Slater James Clark and Eliz.th Clark Subscribing witness to the foregoing Will and being duly & Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evengelis of Almighty God Depose and Say that at the Request of John Goe the foregoing Will was Read to the Testator Mary Parker who Acknowledg that She Signed the Same on the Day and Date there of & Desired them to Attest as Evidences that this is her Last Will and Testament & at the time of her so doing she was to the Best of their Apprehention of Sound Disposing mind and Memory & that they Signed their Respective Names as Evidences to the Said Will in the Presence of the Testator & at her Request

Sworn Before Clem.t Smith Dep.ty Com.ry Calv.t County

Calv.t County Sep.t q.d 15.th 5755. Came Rousby Miller a Subscribing Witness to the foregoing Will & being Duly & Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evengelis of Almighty God Depose and Say that he Say the Testator Mary Parker Sign the foregoing Will & heard her Publish and Declare the Same to be her Last Will & Testament that at the time of her so doing she was to the Best of his Apprehention of Sound Disposing mind and Memory & that he Signed his Name as an Evidence to the sd Will in the Presence of the Testator & at her Request & that the Said Will.m Hellen and Eliz.th Foster Sign the aforegoing Will in the Presence of the Testator and at her Request

Eliz.th Foster is ded & Hellen Cant be Come at

Sworn Before Clem.t Smith Dep.ty Com.ry Calv.t County

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In the Name of God Amen I Martha Stallings of Calvert County Widow, being weak of Body, but of Sound and perfect mind and Memory, Do make ordain and appoint this my last Will and Testament, first I Resigne my Soul and Spirit unto Almighty God that that gave it, and my body to have a Decent Burial

and for what worldly Goods it hath pleased God to Bless me with, after all my just Debts are Satisfied I give and Bequeath in Manner and forme following Viz.

I give and bequeath unto my Son Isaac Stallings all my Estate where ever it is or may be found Excepte one Colt to my Son John Stallings. I do hearby ordain and apoint my Son Isaac Stallings as Executor of this my Last Will and Testament in Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal this 5 Day of May 1755

Signed Sealed and Delivered in the Presence of us.
James Dolsey
Joseph Hardesty
Mary her X mark Stallings

Martha her + mark Stallings (Seal)

Calv. County Aug. 9. 1755. Came James Dolsey Joseph Hardisty & Mary Stallings Subscribing witness to the above Will & being Sworn on the Holy Evangelis of Almighty God Depose & Say that Saw the Testator Martha Stallings Sign the above Will and heard her Publish & Declear the Same to be her Last will and Testament that at the time of her so doing she was to the Best of their Apprehention of Sound Desposing mind and memory.

Sworn Before Clem. Smith Dep. Comy. Calv. County

In the Name of God, Amen, I William Tracey Senr. of Frederick County in the Province of Maryland Planter, being Sick of Body, but of Sound and perfect Mind and Memory, Blessed be God, do make and ordain this my present Last Will and Testament in manner and form following; First and principally, I commend my Soul into the Hands of Almighty God, hoping through the Merits, Death, and Passion of my Saviour Jesus Christ, to have full and free Pardon and Forgiveness of all my Sins, and to Inherit everlasting Life, and my body I commit to the Earth, to be decently buried at the discretion of my Executrix hereafter named, And as touching the disposition of all Such Temporal Estate as it hath pleased Almighty God to bestow upon me, I give and dispose thereof, as followeth.

First, I will, That my Debts and Funeral Charges shall be paid and Discharged.

Item, I give and devise unto my Beloved Wife Lorando all my Estate reall and Personall that I am now siesed or Possessed of Whatsoever I say to her and her heirs and Assigns for ever And I hereby constitute and Appoint my Beloved Wife Lorando to be the Sole Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament, And I do hereby revoke, disanul, and make void all former Wills and Testaments by me heretofore made, In Witness whereof, I the Said William Tracey Senr. to this my Last Will and Testament do sett my hand and Seal this Ninth Day of September Anno Domini one thousand Seven hundred and fifty five.

Signed Sealed and Delivered by the Testator as his Last Will and Testament in the Presence of us

Willm his X mark Tracey (Seal)

529 Andrew Heugh
Thō. Clagett
Henry his H mark Chambers

31st October 1755. Andrew Heugh and Thomas Clagett two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being duly & solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God depose and say that they saw the Testator William Tracey Sign the foregoing Will and heard him Publish and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehention of sound and Disposing mind and Memory and that they Subscribed their Respective Names as Witnesses to the Said Will in the Presence of the Said Testator and at his Request and they likewise Swear that Henry Chambers Subscribed his Name as a Witness to the aſd. Will in the Presence of the Sd. Testator and at his Request —

N.B. Notice given to the Heir at Law Jas. Tracey to be present at the proving this Will who neglected so to do

Sworn Before Reverdy Ghiselin D. Com. Prov. Co.ty

Talbot County ſs. James Woolcott of the County aſd. being duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God Deposeth and Saith and Susannah Woolcott his Wife one of the People called Quakers doth Solemnly and Sincearly declare and affirm that they heard Mary Sherwood Late of the County aſd. Widow Deceased say on Friday night last past that She gave unto her Daughter Frances Sherwood a Negro Man Named Pompey One Feather Bed and Furniture thereto belonging her Chest and Cloaths and her Side Saddle, and that it was her Desire that her Said Daughter Frances Should have the above Mentioned Articles, and that they heard the Said Mary Sherwood Say that it was her Will and Desire that her Daughter Mary Bromwell Should have her the Said Mary Sherwood's part of her Deceased Son Edward Man Sherwood's Estate; and the above Susannah Wilcott Saith that the Said Mary Sherwood departed this Life about two or three of the Clock this Morning and that She desired the Said Susannah Wilcott some short time before She died to Remember what She had told her, Sworn and affirmed before me this Sixteenth Day of November about half an hour after four of the Clock in the afternoon Anno Domini 1755.

Danl. Maynadier Depty Comy Hcy

In the Name of God Amen I Margret Hambleton of Talbot County and Province of Maryland Widow Being now of Sound and perfect mind and Memory do make and Ordaine this my Last Will and Testament hereby revokeing and disallowing all other and former Will and Wills whatsoever heretofore made or Ordained by me I Commend my Soul to the Hands of the Almighty God who Gave it me and my Body to the Earth to be buried at the Descretion of my Executor hereafter Named and as Touching Such worldly Estate that hath pleased Almighty God to give me I hereby Dispose of the Same in the following Manner. Item. I hereby give devise and Bequeath unto my Loving and Dutifull Son Philemon Hamilton all my Estate Both Real and Personal of what nature and kind soever or howsoever Both in Law and Equity together with all Rights Previledges and Appurtenances to the Same belonging or in any way being or Appertaining with the reversion and Reversions remainder and remainders Rents and Services of all and Singular the premisses and every part thereof to him the Said Philemon Hambleton his Heirs and Assigns for Ever, I hereby nominate and Appoint my Loving and Dutifull Son Philemon Hambleton above Mentioned to be whole and Sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set Hand and fixed my Seal this Nineteenth day January in the year of our Lord God one thousand Seven Hundred and fifty four.

Signed Sealed and Delivered and Pronounced to be her Last Will and Testament in the Presents of us the Subscribers

William Skinner
Lydia Rolle
Solomon Rolle

her Margret M mark Hambleton (Seal)

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Talbot County ss. Lydia Rolle and Teddeman Rolle two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God Depose and say that they saw the Testatrix Margaret Hambleton Sign the foregoing Will and heard her Publish and declare the Same to be her Last Will and Testament, that at the time of her so doing She was to the best of their Apprehention of Sound and Disposeing mind and Memory and that they Subscribed their Respective Names as Witnesses to the Said Will in the Presence of the Said Testatrix and at her Request and that they saw William Skinner the other Subscribing Witness Subscribe his Name as a Witness to the Said Will in the Presence of the Said Testatrix and at her Request. Sworn before me this 21st Day of October 1755.

Dan. Maynadier Depty Comry T. Coty.

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In the Name of God Amen I Benjamin Pavey of the Parish of Saint Pauls in Queen Anns County in the Province of Maryland being sick and weak of Body but Perfect and Sound in mind and Memory thanks to Almighty God. Therefore do make and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament in Manner and form following that is to Say. I give and bequeath my Soul into the hands of God my Creator hopeing for Salvation in and Through the Merits of my Merciful Redeemer Jesus Christ and my body unto Christian Buryall.

Item. I give and bequeath half my Personal Estate (after my Just Debts are paid) unto my Beloved Wife Mary Pavey to her and her heirs forever.

Item. I give and bequeath the Remaineing part of my Personall Estate unto my beloved friend Martha Cox the Daughter of Christopher Cox and Margaret Cox of Queen Anns County in the Province of Maryland to her and her heirs forever.

And I do Nominate and Appoint my beloved Wife Mary Pavey to be my whole and Sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament hereby Annulling and makeing Void all other Wills by me heretofore made in Witness whereof I hereunto Sett my hand and Seal this fourth Day of March anno: Domini one Thousand Seven Hundred and fifty three.

Signed Seald and Published
In the Presence of us

Christopr Cox
Alx Cox Junr.
Anne Cox

Benjamin Pavey (Seal)

Queen Anns County Sct.
The 27th Septr. 1755.
Christopher Cox James Cox Junior and Anne Cox the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God do Depose and Say that they Saw the Testator Benjamin Pavey Sign the Same Will and heard him Publish and declare it to be his Last Will and Testament, and that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehention of Sound and disposing mind and Memory.

Sworn before me.

W. Silghman Depty Comry of Queen Anns County.

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In the Name of God Amen the twenty Nine of November one Thousand Seven hundred forty Seven I Benjamin Ridgway of Queen Anns County in the Province of Maryland being very Sick and weak in body but of perfect Mind and Memory thanks be given unto God therefore Calling to mind the Mortality of my body and Knowing that it is appointed for all Men Once to Dye do make and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament that is to say Principally and first of all I give and recomend my Soul into the hands of God that gave it and for my Body I recomend it to the Earth to be Buried in a Christian like and Decent Manner at the discretion of my Executors Nothing

531 doubting but at the General Resurrection I shall Receive the same Again by the Mighty Power of God and as touching Such worldly Estate where with it hath Pleased God to Bless me in this Life I give and Devise and Dispose of the Same in the following Manner and forme

Imprimis. I give and bequeath unto Elizabeth Ridgway my well Beloved Wife One Pistoll five Pieces of Eight to secure my Improvement Continueing her Widowhood and then to my Son Daniel Ridgway to him and his heirs for want of Issue to be Equally Devided betwixt my Daughters Sarah Ridgway Elizabeth Ridgway Susannah Ridgway to them and their heirs and Assigns

Item I give to my Daughter Mary Jones one young Sow as for Personall Estate to be Equally Devided Between Elizabeth Ridgway my Beloved Wife Sarah Ridgway my Daughter Elizabeth Ridgway my Daughter Susannah Ridgway my Daughter. Daniel Ridgway my well Beloved Son whom I likewise Constitute make and Ordain my only and Sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament and I do hereby utterly Disallow Revoke and Disavul all and every other former Testaments Wills Legacies and Executors by me in any ways before this time Named Willed and Bequeathed Ratifying and Confirming this and no Other to be my Last Will and Testament in Witness whereof I have here unto Set my hand and Seal the day and year above Written

Signed Sealed Published and Pronounced and Declared by the said Benjamin Ridgway as his Last Will and Testament in the Presents of us

John Perry
Thomas Walker
George Benham

Benjamin his mark Ridgway (Seal)

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was wrote the following Probate Viz

Queen Anns County Sct.

The 4th Sept. 1756 } Thomas Walker and George Benham two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will being duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God do depose and Say, that they Saw the Testator Benjamin Ridgway Sign the Same Will and heard him Publish and Declare it to be his Last Will and Testament in the Presence and hearing of John Perry the other Subscribing witness thereto that at the time of his so doing he was to the best the apprehention of these Deponants of Sound and Disposing mind and Memory and that they and the said John Perry did Subscribe their respective Names as Witnesses to the said Will in the Presence of the said Testator and at his Request

Sworn Before me

W. Tilghman Dept. Comty of Queen Ann's County

Widow & Executor both died before this Will was proved

Elec.

I Isaac Ashley of Kent County in the Province of Maryland planter being in health of body and Calling to mind the uncertainty of this Transitary Life and that I my Self Shortly give up my Acompt to the great Judge of Heaven when it shall please him to Call me & being Desiroos to Settle things in Order there unto do make Constitute & Appoint to be my Last Will & Manner & form as Followeth Revoking all Wills by me formerly made either by words or Writing I do Declare this to be my last First and Principally I give my Spirit to Almighty God that gave it & my body to the Earth & Buried at the Discretion Executrix what worldly Estate the Lord in Mercy hath Lent me I give & Dispose of same as followeth my Just Debts being first paid as possible after my Decease

Item I give and Bequeath to my two Sons Benjamin & Isaac Ashley one Hundred Acres of Land which now I live upon Lying and being in Kent County it being part of a Tract of Land called Ashley Lott to be Equally Devided between them two and the Heirs of there bodys Lawfully Begotten for Ever. Item I give and Bequeath to my two Sons and two Daughters that is Benjamin & Isaac

532 Thereby I Mary Ashley my whole Estate to be Equally to be Devided a mong them four & being Desiroas that they may stay upon the Plantation with their Mother in Law till they are able to Shift for them Selves & to take their Shares & Lett the Crop Wheat thats groing not be praise but to pay all the Debts that I Owe. 4.ly I give and Bequeath to Rachel Ashly Alias Canady one feather Bed & Furniture & Cow & Calf.
5.ly I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Rebekah Body One Year old Hogg.
6.ly I give and Bequeath to my Daughter Rachel Money One Ewe. 7.ly I give and Bequeath to my Daughter Elizabeth Bowyer One Ewe. 8.ly I give and Bequeath to my Daughter Sarah Gooding Year Old Hogg.
9.ly I give and Bequeath to my Daughter Ann Money one two year old Heifer. 10.ly I Leave my Loveing Wife Mare Called plasure & her increase. Lastly I Leave my Loveing Wife Margrett Ashley full and Sole Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament as Witness my hand and Seal this 7th Day of March in ye Year of Our Lord Christ 1755.

Isaac his ✗ mark Ashley (Seal)

Signd Seald & Delivered in the Presents of
Thos: Catlin
William Ashley
Sophia her ✓ mark Ashley

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was wrote the following Probate Viz.
Kent County ss.

On the 12th day of February Anno Dom 1755. Thomas Catlin William Ashley and Sophia Ashley Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will of Isaac Ashley hereunto Annexed being duely sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God Severally deposed and Declared that they Saw the Same Isaac Ashley the Testator Sign and Seal the Same Will as his Last Will and Testament and heard him Publish and declare the Same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehention of Sound & disposeing mind and Memory and that they Subscribed their respective Names as Witnesses to the Same Will in the Presence of the Said Testator & at his request. This don in the presence of Benjamin Ashley heir at Law of the Testator who made no Objection thereto.

Sworn before Ja Calder Deptg Comdy
J. Hoy

C. Jews

In the Name of God Amen, I Rosannah Harris of Queen Ann's County in the Province of Maryland Widdow, being Sick and weak in Body, but of Sound and perfect mind and Memory thanks be to God for the Same, do make this my Last Will and Testament in Manner and form following Viz.
Imprimis. I Give and Bequeath unto my Sister Winnefred Smith one Cow and Calf, two Sheep, three hoggs of eight Shillings value each, and one Gound of Cotten and Yarne.
Item. I Give and Bequeath unto Thomas Hollinsworth One Grey House Colt, now going in two years old.
Item. I Give and Bequeath all the rest and Remainding part of my Estate to be Equally Devided Between William Deford, and Sarah Deford the Children of Thomas Deford, after my Just Debts are paid.
Lastly I constitute and Appoint Thomas Deford to be my whole and Sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all former Will or Wills by me made and holding this and none other to be my Last Will and Testament, In Witness where of I have hereunto Set my hand and affixed my Seal this twentieth Day of September Anno Domini one thousand Seven hundred and fifty five.

Signed Sealed published and Declared to be the Last Will and Testament of Rosannah Harris in presence of us

Rosannah her ✓ mark Harris (Seal)

533 John his mark Wiley
Joseph his mark Harris
John Davis

Queen Ann's County Sct.
The 16th Octr. 1755

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was wrote the following Probate Vizt.
John Wiley Joseph Harris and John Davis the Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will being duly and Solemnly Sworn Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God do depose and Say, That they Saw the Testatrix Rosannah Harris Sign the Same Will and heard her publish and declare it to be her Last Will and Testament, and that at the Time of her so doing She was to the best of their Apprehention of Sound and disposing mind and memory.

Sworn before me W. Silghman Depty. Comisry of Queen Ann's County.

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Maryland ss.

In the Name of God Amen June the Second Day and in the year of our Lord one thousand Seven Hundred fifty and five I Thomas Mounsieur Planter of Queen Ann's County and Province above Named being Sick and weak in Body but of Perfect Mind and Sound Memory Blessed be the Almighty God for the Same and Calling to mind the Mortality of my Body well knowing that it is Appointed for all Men once to die do make Ordain Constitute and Appoint this to be my Last Will and Testament in Manner and form following and first and principally to bequeath my Soul to Almighty God who gave it firmly believing he'll accept and receive it into the Arms of his Mercy tho' the above Merits of our blessed Redeemer my Body I do give to the Earth from whence it Came to be Buried in a decent and Christian Manner at the discretion of my Executors hereafter Named and as touching what worldly Goods it hath pleased the Almighty to endow me with my honest and Just Debts being first truly paid and discharged I do give devise and bequeath in Manner and form following. Imprimes. I do give to my Dear and well beloved Wife Elizabeth Mounsieur one third part of my Personal Estate. Item. I do give and bequeath to my Sons Timothy Mounsieur and to Thomas Mounsieur a Tract of Land called Hachells Delight being the Tract I now dwell upon consisting of one Hundred fifty Acres to be Divided equalley between my Said Sons which is Seventy five Acres to each Son and I will that my Son Thomas Shall have his Seventy five Acres on that part where the Beginning Tree is and that neither of them shall exchange Sell or Alenate their parts of the Said Land to any Person or Persons whatsoever except to each other and that either partie that does the Same shall lose all the right Title property and Claim of the Said Land and it shall descend Immediately to the other. Item. I do give and bequeath to my Son William Mounsieur Seventy five Acres of Land being part of a Tract of Land Called Smiths Out Range and to the Heirs Lawfully begotten of his Body for ever. Item. I do Likewise give to my Son William Mounsieur the Sum of Six pounds Sterling Money to be paid out of my Personal Estate and to be Immediately Apply'd to discharge the quit rents of his Said Land So Soon as the Said Money can be raised by the Sale of Creatures. Item. do give and bequeath to my Son William Mounsieur and to Isabel Mounsieur the Daughter of Cousin William Mounsieur Deceased a Tract of Land Consisting of two Hundred Acres called Alberts Delight to be Divided equally Between my Said Son and Cousin according as my Said Son William Shall Judge most fitt and to their Heirs Lawfully begotten. — Item I do give to my Daughter Mary Mounsieur one Feather Bed, two Cows and Calves two Sows and Piggs two Ewes and Lambs and one four year old Mare.

Item. the remaining part of my personal Estate I will shall be equally devided amongst my four Children (Viz) Timothy Thomas William and Mary Mounsieur. Lastly I do make Ordain constitute and appoint my Dear and well beloved Wife Elizabeth Mounsieur and my Son Timothy Mounsieur

534 Executors of this my Will and Testament to see this my Will performed according to the true litteral meaning and purport of the Same and I do hereby utterly renounce revoke disclaim all other Wills or Wills by me made or done or Suffered to be done by any Person or Persons whatsoever and I do hereby ratifie and Confirm this to be my Last Will and Testament and in full and Sure Confirmation of the Same I have hereunto Set to my hand and Seal the the Day and Year above Written

Thos. Mounseer (seal)

Sign'd Seal'd publish'd pronounc'd Acknowledg'd and declar'd to be by the Said Thomas Mounsieur his Last Will and Testament in presence of us the Subscribers - - - -

Benjamin his B hand Newnam

Judith her J mark Browning

John Holt

On the Back of the foregoing Will was the following Probate Viz.

Queen Ann's County Sc.

The 9th Octr 1755 - - - - } Benjamin Newnam Judith Browning and John Holt the Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will being duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God do depose and Say that they Saw the Testator Thomas Mounseer Sign the Same Will and heard him publish and declare it to be his Last Will and Testament that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best their Apprehension of Sound and disposing mind and memory, and that they did Subscribe their Respective marks and Name as Witnesses to the Said Will in the Presence of the said Testator and at his Request Which Oath was taken by the said Witnesses in the Presence of Timothy Monsieur Heir at Law to the Testator which same Timothy did not object to the Probat of the said Will.

Sworn before me.

W. Tilghman Depy. Comty of Queen Ann's County.

8 sides.

In the Name of God Amen. I Margarett Heene of Prince Georges County Widow this 13 day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand Seven Hundred and fifty five, do make and Declare this my Last Will and Testament, revoking all other and former Wills, in Manner and form following. First I commit my Soul into the hands of Almighty God, and my body to be buried at the discretion of my Executor hereafter named and for my Estate I Give and dispose thereof in Manner and form following Viz.

I Give and bequeath unto my Daughter Margarett Hilleary one Negroe boy about Sixteen years old called little Ning son of old Ning. a Silver Tea pot a feather Bed and furniture with red China Curtains two Cows & Calves and four Ewes. Item. I give and bequeath unto Thomas Hilleary Son of my Daughter Margarett a Negroe boy named Blackwall, Item. I give unto my Grandaughter Barbara Magruder a Negroe boy Named Will. Item I give unto my Grandson Francis King a Negroe boy named Moses. Item. I give unto my son Francis King a Silver Tankard. Item. I give to my Daughter Cave Williams Nine large Silver Spoons, one Silver Salt & Shovel and Six Silver Tea Spoons one pair of Silver Tongs and one Silver Strainer. Item. I give and bequeath all the rest of my Goods and Chattels. and other my Estate whatsoever after my Debts Funeral Expences, and Legacies first paid & discharged unto my three Children Francis King, Margarett Hilleary and Cave Williams to be equally divided between them. I am credibly informed that my Daughter Margarett Hilleary's husband is dead, but if he should be alive my intent is That her husband shall not have any Power to dispose of what I have herein given to her or any part thereof but it shall be to her seperate use and Maintenance and be disposed of by her las Will and Testament or by any other ways as she shall think proper, And lastly I do Nominate and appoint my Son Francis King to be my Sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament In Witness

535 whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal the day and year above Written

Signed Sealed and Declared
in the presence of us.

Marg^t Keene (Seal)

The word September in the
begining of the third line was
interlined before Sealing & Declaring

Jane Magruder
Ric Smith

On the Back of the aforegoing Will are wrote the following
Probate Viz^t.
Novr 26th 1755. then Jayne Magruder & Doc^r Richd Smith the two
Subscribing Evidences to the foregoing Will being Duly and Solemnly sworn
on the Holy Evangilists of Almighty God Declares & says they saw Mr Margret
Keene sign the foregoing Will & heard her publish & Declare the same to be
her last Will and Testament & at the time of her so doing She was of Sound and disposing memory to the best of
their Apprehension and in her presence and at her Request they Subscribed the same as Evidences Sworn before

Nel Dorr D^y Com^y
of St Mary's County.

5 fees

In the Name of God Amen I Elisabeth Buxton widow or Relict of Benjamin Buxton
Deceased Late of Somerset in the province of Maryland being very Sick and weake of Body but of
Sound & perfect mind & Memory thanks be to God for the same but calling Remembring the mortality
of my Body that all flesh must yeald unto Death when it shall please God to Call upon me have
thought fitt and Convenient to make & ordain in writting this my Last Will and Testament in manner
& form as followeth first & principally I give and Commit and bequeath my Immortal Sole into the hands
of Almighty god my blessed Savior & Redeemer trusting to receive full pardon and Remission of all my
Sins by his precious Death and Merits & my Body to the Earth to be buried in Such Decent Christian
like Manner as to my Executours here after Named shall think Meet & Convenient & for such worldly
estate as the Lord hath in Mercy Lent me. I give and bequeath as followeth my Just Debts being first
paid. Item. I give & bequeath to my Dutyfull Son John Buxton one feather Bead & furniture
with one pare of Sheets one pare of Blankitts my eldest Daughter having her first choice of all my
Beads to him his heires & Assigns forever: Item. I give & bequeath to my aforesd Son John Buxton
his heires and Assigns forever one Case of pistols & holsters & one Long Gun with a Carved Stock at
the Breich and one Set of Silver Buttons & one Negro boy Named Robin & my hand Will Moreas
Item. I give & bequeath to my eldest Dafter Ann Buxton her heires and Assigns forever my
Best Bead & furniture Belonging theire unto & one bay Mare known by the name of Blanch & all
her increase. Item. I give and bequeath to my Next eldest Dafter Agnis Buxton her heires & Assigns
forever one feather Bead & furniture & one Cow and Calf & one young Bone horse about three years
Old Branded with the figure of three. Item. I give & Bequeath to my third Dafter Comfort Buxton
her heires & Assigns forever one feather Bead & furniture & one old Bay Mare known by the Name
of Star with al her increase & one Cow & Calf. Item. I give & bequeath to my fourth Dafter Sarah
Buxton her heires & Assigns forever. one feather Bead & furniture & one Negro Boy known and
called by the Name of Dannie and one Cow & Calf & one white horse known and called by the Name of
Cremme Item. I give and Bequeath to my fifth & youngest Dafter Esther Buxton her heires & Assigns
forever. one feather & furniture & one Negro boy known & called by the Name of James & one Cow &
Calf & one five years Old Bay Mare & yearling Running by her Side & known by the Name of Bonny &
all the Remaineing part of my estate in what Sort or kind soever I give equally to be Devided Between my
five Dafters aforesd & their heires accepting four Breeding Cows to my aforesd Son John Buxton his heires
or Assigns also my Will and desire is that my Son John Buxton be Sole Executor & Rem[illegible]

536 Age of twenty one yeares my Will is that my youre Daughters Agnis Burton Comfort Burton Sarah Burton Ester Burton shall be paid theire aforesd portions by my Executor or Executors at the age of Sixteen or the day of Marriage & further my Will and Desire is that my Will be proved within Convenient time after Decease by my Daughter Ann Burton whome I make Constitute and Ordaine Executrix of this my last Will & Testament my Will & desire is that my Brother in Law Woolsey Burton be as Guardian over my sd Children as in Witness of the truth above written I have hereunto Set my hand and fixed Seale in the presence of the evidences this first day of April Anno Domi 5728

Signed Sealed & Delivered in the presence of us

Charles Rackliff

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John ⊥ Gilbland
marke

Elizabeth Burton (Seal)

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was wrote the following Probate Viz.
This day to wit, the 7th day of November Anno Domi 5755 personally came before the Subscriber Maj. John Evans and Capt. Edward Franklin and made Oath on the Holy Evengalis of Almighty God that they and each of them have been well acquainted with the hand writing of Charles Rackliff the Subscribing Witness to the within Will now Deceased and that the within Will they verily believe to be the Hand Writing of the said Charles and that his Name thereto Subscribed as a Witness they also verily believe to be the hand Writing of the said Charles Rackliff

Sworn before

Benton Harris Depty.
Comy of worcester Coty

8 Sides

In the Name of God Amen the Eleventh Day of August in the year of our Lord one one thousand Seven Hundred and fifty five. I Moses Driskell Senr. of worcester County in Maryland Saddler being Sick and weak in Body but of Perfect mind and Memory thanks be given to God therefore Calling into mind the Mortallity of my Body and knowing it is appointed for all Men once to die do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament (that is to Say Principally) and first of all I give and Recommend my Soul into the hands of Almighty God that gave it and my body I Recomend to the Earth to be Buried in Decent Christain Burial at the Discression of my Surviving friends nothing Doubting but at the General Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God and as Touching Such worldly Estate wherewith it has pleased God to bless me in this Life I give Demise and Dispose of in the following manner and form Imprimis I give and bequeath to my Daughter Rachel Tordine five Shillings Current money of the province aforesd and She to have no other part or parcel of my Estate. Item. I give to my Son William Driskell five Shillings Current Money and he to have no other part or parcell of my Estate. Item. I give to my Daughter Mary Rusk five Shillings Current Money as aforesd and She to have no other part or parcell of my Estate. Item I give to my Daughter Comfort Hill five Shillings Current Money as aforesd & She to have no other part of my Estate. Item. I give to my Grand Daughter Sarah Brice five Shillings Current Money as aforesd and She to have no other part of my Estate. Item. I give and bequeath to my Son Moses Driskell my Dwelling Plantation and two hundd and twenty five Acres of Land at the North west End of my Tract of Land Called King Sale with all the houses and Appertanances thereto belonging after the Death or Marriage of his Mother to him and his heirs for Ever. Item. I also give and Bequeath to my Son Moses Driskell one feather bed, bed Stead and furniture which is already Delivered to him and his heirs for Ever and he to have no other part or parcell of my Estate. Item I give and Bequeath to my Son Elijat Driskell one Hundd and twenty five Acres of Land lying at the South East End

537 of the aforesd Tract of Land being the Remaining part of the Same with all preveledges Benifits & Appertenances after the Death or Marriage of his Mother to him and his heirs for Ever. Item I give to my Son Elgat Deishell one feather bed bed stead and furniture which is already Delivered and he to have no other part of my Estate Lastly I leave to my well beloved Wife Katherine Driskell my Land aforesd with Plantation houses and all benifits thereto belonging During her Natural Life or Widowhood and also all my Moveable Estate that is not Disposed of Requireing that She pay all my Just Debts and have the Sole Management of all my affairs Lastly I Constitute and ordain this to be my Last Will and Testament Revoking and Disannuling all other Wills by me formerly made Ratifying and Confirming this to be my Last Will and Testament in Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal the day and year above Mentioned

Sealed and Acknowledged in Presence of

James his X mark Cathell Senr.
Jonathan Cathell
James Cathell Junr

Moses Driskell (Seal)

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was wrote the following Rolate Viz.t

Novemb.r ye 6th 1755. Came James Cathell, Jonathan Cathell and James Cathell Junr the Subscribing Witness to the foregoing Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangelis of Almighty God that they saw the Testator Moses Driskell Sign, Seal and heard him Publish Pronounce and Declare the Same Same to be his Last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of a Sound Disposing mind and Memory and that they Subscribed their Names as Witness to the said Will in the Presence of the Testator and at his Request

Sworn before

Benton Harris Deptg Comdg of worcester Coty

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In the Name of God Amen. I Katharine Wildman of worcester County and Province of Maryland, Widow, being Very weak and Sick, but of Sound and Disposing mind and Memory, do make this my Last Will and Testament as follows, that is to Say, First and Principally, I recommend my Soul into the hands of Almighty God, hoping and trusting in the Meritorious Sufferings of Jesus Christ for a joyfull Resurrection at the Last day. And as to my Temporal Affairs I Will as follows

Secondly. I desire all my Just Debts may be paid as Soon as possible after my Decease. Thirdly I give and and bequeath unto Benjamin and Thomas Purnell, Sons of Walter Purnell, one of my best Feather Beds and Furniture to each, and also to Duncan and Catharine Murray, Son and Daughter of Nephew Duncan Murray one feather Bed & furniture to each, and to William Murray, Son of Daniel Murray one feather Bed and furniture, and to James Murray one feather Bed and furniture, and to Daniel Murray Son of Daniel, one feather Bed and furniture, and unto David and Mary Murray Son and Daughter of Duncan, one feather Bed and furniture to each, to the said Persons their heirs and Assigns for ever

Fourthly. I give, devise, and bequeath unto Duncan Murray, Son of my Nephew Duncan Murray all my Land lying on Nassongo Creek with the Appurtenances, and Mill thereto belonging, and to the issue of his Body lawfully begotten, and on failure of Such issue then to his Sister Catharine Murray and the issue of her body Lawfully to be begotten, And on failure of Such issue, to her Father Duncan Murray, his heirs and Assigns for ever. Fifthly I give unto William and James Murray Sons of Daniel, and Daniel Reech the Sums of Ten Pounds to each, to them and their heirs for ever.

538 Sixthly. I give unto Archibald Murray, (Son of Daniel) who is now at Sea Ten Pounds and should any Misfortune or Death prevent his return then I give the said ten pounds to William and James Murray Sons of Daniel, and to Daniel Keech to them and their heirs for ever —
Seventhly. I give unto my Sister in Law Elizabeth Murray and to her Son Isaac Murray the Sum of five pounds Currency each to buy them Mourning. Eighthly My Will and Desire is that all my Houses and Lotts in the Town of Snow Hill may be Leased out for as much as Can be got and the Money arising from Such Leases be equally and Annually divided between Benjamin and Thomas Purnel Sons of Walter, and Duncan and Catharine Murray Son and Daughter of Duncan Murray and their heirs and Assigns for ever. Ninthly. I give and bequeath unto the aforesd Benjamin and Thomas Purnel Sons of Walter and Catharine and Duncan Murray Son and Daughter of Duncan Murray all the rest and Residue of my Estate of whatsoever kind or Nature remaining after the Payment of my Just Debts and the Several Legacies herein before Mentioned and Bequeathed. Lastly. I do hereby Constitute and appoint my very Good Friends Alexander Buncle and Walter Purnel my Exors of this my last Will hereby revoking, Annulling, and making Void all former Wills by me made, and Declareing this and this alone to be my Last Will and Testament, In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this Nineteenth day of August in the year of our Lord Seventeen hundred fifty & five

Signed Sealed published and declared by the Testatrix to be her Last Will and Testament before us who in her presence and by her Request Subscribe the Same as Witnesses —

her
Catharine ⊥ Wilsman (Seal)
mark

The word "Murray" between the 5 & 6 Line of the 3d paragraph first interlined before the Signing and Sealing and at her particular Request. the following Request was inserted also before the Sealing & Delivery that is to say. I Give unto the Reverend John Ross, and the Reverend Matthias Harris one Mourning Ring to each, and also a Scarf —

Mary Harris
Matthias Harris
Sem Purnell

At the foot of the foregoing Will was wrote the following Relate Viz.t September 5th 5755. Came Mary Harris Matthias Harris and Samuel Purnell the Subscribing Witness to the foregoing Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangelis of Almighty God that they saw the Testator Catharine Wilsman Sign, Seal and heard her Publish Pronounce and declare the same to be her Last Will and Testament and that at the time of her so doing She was to the best of their Apprehension of a Sound Disposing mind and Memory and that they Subscribed their Names as Witness to the said Will in the Presence of the Testator and at her Request.

Sworn before Benton Harris Depty
Comty of Worcester County

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Worcester ss I John Richardson of Worcester County and Province of Maryland being Sick and weak but of a sound disposing mind and Memory do make this my Last Will and Testament in Manner and form following Viz.t
Imprimis. I leave to my Loving Wife during her Natural Life if she Continue a Widow the use of all my Estate both real and Personal and the Personal Estate to be by her disposed of among all my Children as she shall think proper. but in Case my said Wife should Intermarry then and Such Case I give my Estate in Manner and form following Viz.t —
Imprimis. I Give to my Loving Wife Mary Richardson one Negro Woman named Rachel & one

589 Negro Man Named Abner and the third part of all my Personal Estate Negroes Excepted to her, her heirs and Assigns forever. I also Leave to my Loving Wife during her Natural Life the third part of all my Lands and Tenements. Item. I Give and Bequeath to my son William Richardson one tract of Land and Marsh called Lamb Hammock Containing thirty three Acres also one other tract of Land called Dumfries Containing two hundred Acres to him his heirs and Assigns forever. My Will also is that my said Son William Richardson have free previledge and Right to keep and maintain Eight Cows or the like number of any any kind of Beasts he shall see proper in any part of my Marsh Pasturage that I now have a Right to from the first day of October to the Last day of April in every Year dureing his Natural Life. Item. I also Give to my Son William Richardson one Negro Boy called Peter to him his heirs and Assigns forever. Item. I Give and Bequeath to my Son John Richardson one tract of Land and a Marsh called Willtshire Containing five hundred Acres also one peice or peiell of Marsh Called Concluding Containing Twenty three Acres Lying Between the aforesd tract called Willtshire and Boquetenorton Bay at the South East of Willtshire with all and Singular the Improvements and Appurtinances thereunto belonging to him the said John his heirs and Assigns forever. Item. I also give to my said Son John one Negro Boy called Sattie to him his heirs and Assigns forever. Item. I Give to my Son Samuel Richardson one Negro Boy called Ben to him his heirs and Assigns forever. Item. I Give to my Son Robert Martin Richardson one Negro Boy called Shadrick to him his heirs and Assigns forever. Item. I Give to my Daughters Polley Richardson and Comfort Richardson one Negro Girl called Violeta and her Increase to be equally divided Between them their heirs and Assigns forever. Item. I Give all the remainder of my Estate not before given away after all my debts are paid to be Equally Divided among my four Children Polley, Samuel, Comfort and Robert Martin Richardson their heirs and Assigns forever. Lastly. I do hereby Constitute and Appoint my Loving Wife Mary Richardson whole and Sole Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament revoking all former Wills by me made as Witness my hand and Seal this 27th day of April Anno Domi 1765.

Signed Sealed Published and Pronounced by the Testator to be his Last Will and Testament in the Presence of

Samuel Wise
Thomas Martin
Henry Ayres
Lem Purnell

John Richardson (Seal)

At the foot of the foregoing Will was wrote the following Probate Viz.

Sept. 26th 1755. Came Thomas Martin Henry Ayres and Lemuell Purnell three of the Subscribing Witness to the foregoing Will and made Oath on the Holy Evengalis of Almighty God that they saw John Richardson the Testator Sign Seal and heard him Publish Pronounce and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehention of a Sound Disposing mind and Memory and that they Subscribed their names as Witness to the said Will in the Presence of the Testator and at his Request.

Sworn before Benton Harris Depty Comdy of worc. County

Sept. 30th 1755. Widows Election made and will Stand to the Will

before Benton Harris Depty Comdy worc. County

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540 In the Name of God Amen the thirtieth day of September Seventeen hundred Fifty and five. I Jackson Griffith of Kent County in the Province of Maryland being Sick and weak, but of good Sound Disposing memory thanks be to Almighty God, and Calling to mind the Uncertain Estate of this Transitory Life, and that all flesh must Yield unto Death when it shall please God to call, do make and Declare this to be my Last Will and Testament in Manner and form following Imp.: I Give and Bequeath to my two Daughters Martha and Asenath Griffith my two Plantations on or Near Tarlo Creek Called Easter Neck, and my Daughter Martha Griffith to have her first Choice and that, that she the aforesaid Martha refuseth, I Give to my aforesaid Daughter Asenath Griffith to them and their heirs forever. Lastly. I do by these Presents Constitute and appoint my Daughter Martha Griffith Sole Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament Hereby Revoking all other Wills at any time by me made In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal the day and year first above Written.

The words and Seal being enterlind in the fifteenth Line before Seald and pronounced Signed Seald and Pronounced by the Testator to be his Last Will and Testament which here wrote on one Sheet of Paper in the presence of us —

John his ✠ mark Woodward
Mary her ⋿ mark Meeks
Alex.r Gloum —

Jackson ✠ Griffith (Seal)

On the Back of the foregoing Will was wrote the following Probate Viz. —

Kent County ss. On the first day of November 1755 John Woodward Mary Meeks & Alexander Gloum the Subscribing Witnesses to the within written Will of Jackson Griffith the Testator within Named being duely Sworn on the Holy Evangels deposed declared that they saw the Said Testator Jackson Griffith Sign and Seal the same Will & heard him Publish and declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament, That at the time of his so doing he was to the best their Knowledge & Apprehension of Sound and disposing mind and Memory And that they the sd. deponants Subscribed their respective names as Witnesses to the Said Will in the Presence of and at the Request of the Testator Sworn before

Joseph Nicholson
Comd. Kent Cty

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In the Name of God Amen. I James Piner of Kent County being Sick and weak of Body but of Sound and disposing Mind and Memory make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament in manner following. Item. I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Rebecca Pinney Ten Pounds Current Money of Maryland. Item. I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Martha Cammell (Wife of John Cammell) Ten pounds Current Money. Item. I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Sarah Garnett (Wife of Joseph Garnett) Ten Pounds Current Money. Item. I give and Bequeath unto my Son William Piner Three Acres of Land on the North Side of the Road leading from Chapells Mill to Jannings Run, to be laid out Adjoyning to the Road never to Sell Rent or Lease it, but to enjoy it himself if live on it otherwise not during his Life and no longer also one Negroe Man called Dougherty or Fifty Pounds Current Money which

541 over my Executor hereafter mentioned please. Item. It is my desire after my Just Debts are paid the Remainder of my Personal Estate of what kind or sort soever may be equally divided between my Son Barlus Piner and my Daughter Hannah Piner. Lastly. I make ordain Constitute and appoint my loving Son James Piner Junior my whole and Sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all other Will or Wills by me heretofore made. In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my Hand and Seal this thirteenth Day of October Annoq. Domi. 1755.

James Piner (Seal)

Signed Sealed Published & declared to be the last Will & Testament of James Piner in Presence of us who Sign as Witnesses thereto in his presence and at his request

Thomas Dellihunty
Nicholas his ⋔ mark Crotch
James his + mark Errole
Thomas Piner

In the Back of the foregoing Will was wrote the following Probate Viz.

Kent Cty ss. On the 5th day of November 1755. Thomas Piner & Thomas Dullahuntee two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within written Will of James Piner the Testator within named being Sworn on the holy Evangels deposed and declared that they saw the Sd Testator James Piner Sign and Seal the same Will and heard him Publish and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament, that at the same time he was of Sound & disposing mind & memory to the best of their Knowledge & Apprehension, that they the said Deponants togethe with Nicholas Crouch & James Earle the other two Subscribing Witnesses within named Subscribed their respective names as Witnesses to the same Will in the presence and at the request of the said Testator

Sworn before

Joseph Nicholson
D. Commy K. Cty

4½ Sides

Maryland ss. In the Name of God Amen. I Jacob Clements of Charles County being Sick and weak of Body, but of Perfect mind and memory, calling to mind the uncertainty of Human Life hereon Earth, do make this my last Will and Testament. First and Principally I commit my Soul into the Hands of my Blessed maker, Trusting in his mercies and in the Meritts of my Dear Redeemer, the Lord Jesus Christ, for Pardon and Remission of all my Sins, and Eternal Happiness, my Body I Commit to the Earth, to be Decently Buried in Such Place and Manner as my Executrix and Executor hereafter named shall think meet and Convenient as to my Temporal Estate after all my Debts are paid, I Bequeath and Dispose of in the following Manner. Imprimis. I give and Bequeath to my Loving Wife Clare Clements the Plantation I now Dwell on also all that Tract of Land called Hachle Berey Garden During her Natural Life. Item. I give and Bequeath to my Son Edward Clements and his heirs for Ever the Plantation I now Dwell on, also all that tract of Land call'd Hachle berey Garden after my Wifes Decease. Item I give and Bequeath to my Sons Jacob Clements and Walter Clements and their Heirs for ever, all that Parcell of Land lying on Chickamuxon, which I bought of John Speake being part of a Tract called the Reserve, as by a Deed of Purchase bearing Date the twentieth day of April Anno Domini One Thousand Seven Hundred & thirty will appear, to be Equally Divided between them. Item. I give and bequeath to my Sons John Clements and Charles Clements and their Assigns during their natural lives one Hundred Acres of Land, being part Cornwallis Neck whereon I now have a Quarter. Item. I give and Bequeath to my Loving Wife one third part of my Personal Estate. Item. I give and bequeath to my Daughter Jane Clements a Negroe Wench Called Beck and also her Daughter Called Pegg with their Increase

54 Item I give and Bequeath to my Son Edward Clements a Negro Lad Called Michael. Item I give and Bequeath to my Son Jacob Clements a Negroe Lad Called Race. Item I give and Bequeath to my Son Walter Clements a Negroe Boy Called Harry. Item I give and Bequeath to my Son Francis Clements a Negroe Called Turner and a Negroe Boy Called Tom. Item. I give and Bequeath to my Son John Clements a Negroe Boy Called Joe. Item. I give and Bequeath to my Son Charles Clements a Negroe Boy Called Andrew. Item I give and Bequeath to my Daughter Martha Clements a Negroe Woman Called Sarah and also her Daughter Called Hannah with their Encrease, Provided my said Daughter Martha Clements shall never lay any Claim to the Negroe Boy Called Joe, and left to my Son John Clements, but in Case the said Martha or any other Person by her Act shall lay any Claim to the said Negroe Boy, then she or they so Claiming and Recovering the said Negroe Boy shall return to the said John Clements the full Value of the said Negroe; out of that part Devised her the said Martha by this Will. Item. I give and Bequeath to my Daughter Clare Sanders a Womans Saddle and Bridle that shall be the Value of Four Pounds. Item I give and Bequeath to my Grand Daughter Ann Wheeler a Negroe Girl Called Rose with her Increase. Item I give and Bequeath to the Heirs of my Daughter Elizabeth Wheeler (now Deceased) one Shilling Sterling each. Item. All the Remaining Part of my Personal Estate whatever not heretofore Disposed of I give and Bequeath to be Equally divided between my Sons Edward Clements, Jacob Clements, Walter Clements, Francis Clements, John Clements, and Charles Clements, and my Daughters Jean Clements and Martha Clements. Lastly I Constitute; Ordain and Appoint my Loving Wife Clare Clements & my Son Edward Clements to be my Executrix and Executor of this my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my Hand and affix'd my Seal this Seventeenth Day of September Anno Dominis one Thousand Seven Hundred and fifty five.

Sign'd Seal'd and Declared to be the Last Will and Testament of the Testator in Presence of—

Joseph (his mark) Gardner
John Garner
Thos. McPherson

Jacob (his mark) Clements (Seal)

At the foot of the foregoing Will was wrote the following Probate Viz.

Charles County ss 21st: Novemb: 1755. Joseph Gardner John Garner and Thomas Macpherson the three Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being duely and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels do depose and Say that they Saw the Testator Jacob Clements Sign and Seal the foregoing Will and heard him publish and Declare the Same to be his Last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing was to the best of their Apprehension of Sound and disposing Mind and Memory and that they Severally Subscribed as Witnesses in the presence of the Testator and at his Request which Probate was taken in the presence of Edward Clements Exr at Law to the Deceased who did not Object to the Same.

Sworn Before Dan Jenifer Dlc
of Cha County

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543 In the Name of God Amen, This twenty Eighth day of April One Thousand Seven hundred & fifty five I Daniel Vaughan Planter of Durham parish & Charles County being very Sick & weak in Body but of Perfect mind and Memory thanks be given to Almighty God & Calling to mind the Mortallity of my body & knowing that it is appointed for all men Once to die do make & ordain this my Last Will and Testament that that is to say Principally & first of all I recommend my Soul into the hands of God who gave it nothing Doubting but at the General Resurrection at the last day I shall receive the same again by the mighty Power of God and as for my Body I commit it to the earth to be buried in a Christian like and decent manner at the Direction of my Executor & as for what worldly Estate it hath pleased almighty God to bless me with in this life I do Give Bequeath Devise & Dispose of in the following manner & form

Imprimis. I give and Bequeath to my well beloved Son James Vaughan one third part of my Estate after Appraisment unless my Wife prove at present with Child which if she be & it live to years of Maturity I do but give & bequeath to my Son James one fourth part thereof

Item. I give & Bequeath to my well beloved Son Robert Vaughan One third part of my Estate after Appraisment unless my Wife prove at present with Child which if she be and it live to years of Maturity I do but give & bequeath to my Son Robert one fourth part thereof & I likewise leave my two Sons to be at Age at Nineteen Years of Age. Item. I give & Bequeath to Christian my Dearly beloved Wife if she at present be with Child one half of my Estate to be by her kept till the Child be at age & then half of her part to be paid to it but if it should dies or she should not at present be with Child it is my Request and Desire that my Estate should be Equally divided and if my Son's do either of them die before they come to Age it is my Desire the Estate should be Equally Divided among my Wife & what Children are alive & Lastly I do Constitute make Ordain & appoint Christian my Dearly beloved Wife only & Sole Executrix of this my Last Will & Testament utterly Disallowing Revoking & Disannulling all & every other former Wills or Testaments Requests Legacies or Executors by me made Given or Bequeathed Ratifying & Confirming this & no other to be my Last Will and Testament in Testimony whereof I have hereunto Sett my hand & affixed my Seal the day & Year above Written

Sign'd, Seal'd, Published, Pronounced, & Declared by the Said Daniel Vaughan to be his Last Will and Testament in Presence of us the Subscribers

Daniel his mark Vaughan

Peter his mark Vaughan

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was wrote the following Probate Viz.t

Charles County ss: the 30 day of August 1755. Came Peter Vaughan the Subscribing Witness to the within Will who being duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God does depose and Say that he Saw the Testator Daniel Vaughan Sign and Seal the within Will and heard him Publish and Declare the Same to be his Last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing was to the best of his Apprehensions of Sound and disposing mind and Memory And that he Signed his Name as a Witness to the Said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request and at the Same time Came Samuel Beaton who being Sworn as aforesaid Deposeth and Saith that he was present at the Executing the within Will and to the best of his Apprehensions the Testator was of Sound and disposing Mind and Memory (which Probate was taken the Heir at Law being a Minor and not present) Before Dan Jenifer Jr Co of Ch. County

Ch. Deas

544 In the Name of God Amen. I Hugh Herrick being Sick and weak of Body but of perfect mind and Memory praised be God for it, do make this my Last Will and Testament First I give my Soul unto my Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ and my body to the Earth to be buried at the Discretion of my Executor. Imprimis. I give and bequeath to my well beloved Daughter Katherin Chattam one Cow and Calf and one Bed and furniture belonging to it Namely this whereon I now lie. Item. I give and bequeath unto my well beloved Son Joseph Herrick one heifer Yearling to be Delivered to him when he comes to age Item. I give and bequeath unto my well beloved Son James Herrick one heifer yearling to be Delivered unto him when he comes to age. Item. I give and bequeath unto my well beloved Son John Herrick one Shilling Sterling. Item. I give and bequeath unto my well beloved Daughter Martha Lamaster one Black Mare and her Increas. Item. I give and bequeath unto my well beloved Son Walter Herrick one half of my Estate that is Left when my Debts and Legacies are all paid, and my Will is that my two youngest Sons may remain untill they arive at the age of Eighteen years as followeth my Son Joseph with his brother Hugh and my Son James with his Sister Kathein and Lastly I make Constitute and Ordain my Son Hugh Herrick my Executor of this my Last Will and Testament and do utterly revoke and disanul all other Wills by me made In Witness whereof I Sell my hand and affix my Seal in the presence of

Hugh his ✗ mark Herrick (Seal)

Matt.w Breeding
James his ✗ mark Gray

On the Back of the foregoing Will was wrote the following Probate Viz.

Maryland fs. 28th day of Aug.t 1755. Matthew Breeding and James Gray the two Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels do Depose and say that they saw the Testator Hugh Herrick Sign and Seal the foregoing Will and heard him Publish and Declare the Same to be his Last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing was to the best of their Apprehensions of Sound and Disposing mind and Memory.

Dan Jenifer Com.
of Cha County

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In the Name of God Amen. I Thomas Speake of Zachaia of Charles County in the Province of Maryland being weak in Body but of Perfect Sense & Memory thanks be to Almighty God for it Do make & Ordain this my Last Will and Testament in Manner and form following First my Soul into the Hands of God who gave it and my Body to the Dust from whence it was taken to be buried at the Discretion of my Executrix herein after Named also I give and bequeath to my Loving Wife Jane Speake my Dwelling Plantation whereon I now live during her Natural Life together with all that Tract or Parcel of Land called Speakes Enlargement during her Natural Life also all my Personal Estate as Negroes Chattels Cattle Houshold furniture & Plantation utensils of all Sorts whatsoever except one Dun Mare. Also I give & bequeath to my Son Edward Speake five English Shillings

545 Also I give and bequeath to my two Sons Thomas Bowling Speake & John Speake, one hundred and twenty Acres of Land to them & their Heirs & Assigns for ever the said Land to begin at the Second Course or line of a Tract of Land called Mistake and to run with the Courses of the said Land as they are laid out for me in the said Tract of Land called Mistake & at the End of the course next to Jordan Swamp take in part of a Tract of Land called Speake's Enlargement with one line & from the last end of that line to run with one Straight line to their beginning & then to divide it equally between them the Cross way & not the length way unless they should so agree & my Son Thomas Bowling Speake to have the first Choice provided that they nor either of them or any person or person for by or through their Means may not destrub or molest my aforesaid Wife Jane Speake from Occupying and abiding on that part of the said Land on which part of my Dwelling Plantation now is — Also I give and bequeath to my Son Thomas Bowling Speake one Dun Mare. Also I give & bequeath to my two Sons Charles Beckworth Speake & Nicholas Speake all the Remaining part of that Tract of Land called Speake's Enlargement & my Remaining part of that Tract called Mistake containing both together Ninety Acres to them & their Heirs & Assigns for ever after the decease of my Wife Jane Speake, to be Equally divided between them by a Line drawn from Jordan Swamp to the opposite line & my Son Charles Beckworth Speake to have first Choice. Also I give to my Daughter Elizabeth Anne Mary Smith the Wife of Peter Smith that Tenement whereon they now live for the Space of five Years & no longer provided they keep but one Labouring Hand (as we commonly call it) thereon at one time besides their two own Selves. Also I give & bequeath all my Personal Estate aforementioned after the Decease of my Wife Jane Speake to be Equally divided among my two Sons Charles Beckworth Speake & Nicholas Speake & my three Daughters Elizabeth Anne Mary Smith the Wife of Peter Smith, Anne Speake & Eleanor Speake. I do also Ordain Constitute & Appoint my said loving Wife Jane Speake to be the Sole Executrix of this my Last Will & Testament in Witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand & affixed my Seal this Second day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand Seven hundred & fifty five.

Thomas ✝ Speake's (Seal)
mark

Signd Seald Published & Declared by the said Thomas Speake to be his last Will & Testament in the Presence of us —

Edward ✝ Miles's
mark

John Baggat

James Smith

On the back of the foregoing Will was wrote the following Probate Viz^t —

Maryland ss: 13th Septemb: 1755. Edward Miles John Baggat and James Smith the three Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will who being duely and solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God does depose and say that they Saw Thomas Speak the Testator Sign and Seal the within Will and heard him publish & Decl the Same to be his last Will and Testament and at the time of his so doing was to the best of their Apprehensions of Sound and disposing mind and Memory and that they Severally Subscribed as Witnesses to the said Will in the Presence of the Testator and at his Request which Probate was taken in the Presence of Edward Speake Heir at Law who did not Object to the Same

Sworn before — Dan Jenifer Dep. Cl. Cur.

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In the Name of God Amen. I Bowling Speake of Charles County in the Province of Maryland being in Perfect health and Memory thanks be to God, Do make and Ordaine this my Last Will and Testament in Manner and form following Viz.

Imprimis. I Give and bequeath to my Son Thomas Speake his heirs and Assigns for Ever 525 Acres of Land being part of a Tract of Land Called Mistake beginning at the first bound tree and Running thence to Jerden branch and up the said branch to a Small Neck of his Dwelling place and thence to the beginning to make out 525 Acres.

Item. I give and bequeath to my Son William Speake two Hundred and two Acres with his Dwelling place being part of a Tract of Land Called Mistake to him and his Heirs for Ever. Item I Give and bequeath to my well beloved Wife my Dwelling Plantation and the use of all my Personal Estate Dureing her Naturall life and after her Decease I give and bequeath to my Granson Edward Speake the Son of Thomas Speake my Dwelling Plantation and also a Small Tract of Land Called the Meadow also his first Choice of the Negroes and the first Choice of my beds and furniture. Item. I give and bequeath to my Gran Daughter Anne Headon the Second Choice of my beds and furniture my great Chest one Dish and three plates one Iron pott and the Cattle and Sheep that are in her marke to her without Interruption. Item. I give and bequeath to my Daughter Mary Baggall the one ½ of my Cattle and Sheep one feather bedd and furniture and one Chest. Item. I give and bequeath to my Son William one Negro. Lastly I do hereby Nominate Constitute and Appoint my well beloved Wife Mary Speake and my aforesd. Granson Edward Speake the Son of Thos. Speake full and Sole Execr. of this my last Will and Testament in Witness whereof I have hereunto Sett my hand and Affixed my Seal this this twelth day of October In the year of our Lord. 1750

Signed Seald Published and Delivered in the Presence of us

Marmaduke Semmes
Will. M'pherson Jur.
Wm Coomes

Bowling Speake (Seal)

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was wrote the following Probate Viz.

Maryland ss: 13: September 1755. Marmaduke Semmes William Macpherson Junior and William Coomes the three Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being duely and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels deposeth and Sayth that they saw the Testator Bowling Speake Sign and Seal the within Will and heard him Publish and Declare the Same to be his Last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing was to the best of their Apprehension of Sound and disposing mind and Memory and that they Severally Subscribed as Witnesses to the said Will in the Presence of the Testator and at his Request which Probat was taken in the Presence of Edward Speake Heir at Law who did not Object to the Same

Dan Jenifer Dc
of Chas. County

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547 In the Name of God Amen October 4th 5th 1755. I Able Simmons of St: Marys County in the Province of Maryland being in Perfect Sence and Memory thanks be to God for the Same do make this my Last Will and Testament in Manner and form following Viz: first I Leave my Sole to Almighty God that gave it me and as for my Body when it shall please God to take me out of this Life to be Decently Buried at the Discretion of my Exr: hereafter to be Mentioned and Disanuling and Recoheing all Wills by me before made. Item: I Will and bequeath to John Horne Milburn Son of Rebecha Cloker all my Carpenters Tools and my Small Gun. Item. I Will and bequeath my Dweling plantation with all its Appurtenances thereunto belonging and all the rest of my Persinal Estate To my well beloved Wife Mary During her Natural Life and lastly I Constitute and Appoint my Well beloved Wife Mary my whole and Sol Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament as Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Affixed my Seal the day and year first above writen

Signed Sealed Published and Delivered in presents of

Will: Morgan
Ann Morgan

his
Able ⅄ Simmons (Seal)
mark

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was wrote the following Probate Viz:

Saint Marys County ss: November the 24th 1755. Then William Morgan and Ann Morgan the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being duely and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evenge of Almighty God Depose and Say that they Saw the Testator Able Simmons Sign the foregoing Will and heard him Publish and Declare the Same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehention of Sound and Disposing mind and Memory, and that they Subscribed their Respective Names as Witnesses to the Said Will in the presence of the Said Testator and at his Request

Sworn to before me

Thos: Hisquith Depty Comiss
of St: Marys County

The day and year above Said the Deceasts Widow made her Election and Stands to the Will Certified by me

Thos: Hisquith Depty Comiss
of St: Marys County

3½ Fees

St: Marys County ss:
Novmbr the 11: 1760 } Then came Francis Johnson and Thomas Caton. being present with Ann Phillips on Thursday last being the Sixth of this Instant November then lying very Sick and likely to die, and being desired by the Said Ann Phillips to bear Witness of her Last Will and Testament which was in words as follows Viz:

I desire that William Lawson may take my Son John Phillips and take care of him untill he comes of Age; and Likewise desired the Said William Lawson to pay all her Debts, and to keep what was over paying them, She gave to him for the Support of her Son And She desired that her grand Child John Barnes should be bound to Wm Lawson the day and year aforesaid the Said Francis Johnson and Thomas Caton made Oath on the Holy Evengelist of Almighty God. that they heard the above Sd Ann Phillips Declare the foregoing as her Last Will and Testament, and that at the time of her so doing she was to

the best of their Apprehention of Sound and Disposing mind and Memory

2 sides

Sworn to before me

Thos. Sedgwith Depty Comisy
of St. Marys County

In the Name of God Amen the Six: Day of April in the year of our Lord God 1755. I Thomas Byrn being Sick and weak in Body but of perfect Mind and Memorie thanks be given unto God therefore Calling unto mind ye Mortallity of my body and knowing that it is Appointed for all Men once to die. I do make and Ordaine this my Last Will and Testament: and touching Such worldly Estate wharewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this Life I give and Devise and Dispose of the Same in the Manner and form following:- that is to Say after my Just Deptes is paid Item. I Leave Ellinor Byrn my Wiffe, One Negro Man Called by the Name of Morah: and one Negro Woman Called by the Name of Cloe: Excepting the Children that the Said Negro Woman shall bring in Eaight years Ensuing from the Date above the which Children I Leave to my Daughter Elizabeth Byrn. Item. I Leave to my Daughter Elizabeth Byrn one Negro boy Called by the Name of Jack to be Delivered to her at the Age of Sixteen years. Item I leave to my Son James Kent Byrn thirtie five poundes Starling Money. for to bie him two Negro boys Such as the Money will purchase. or Land if Opportunitie Serves, the which Negros or Land to be bought by the Care of my Wife Ellinor Byrn his Mother whom I Leave Executer of my whole Estate: but if no Opportunitie Should Serve for to bie Negros or Land, the Money. thirtie five poundes Sterling to be paid to him my Son James Kent Byrn when he Comes to the Age of twenty one years. I Likewise Leave to my Son James Kent Byrn all my Land that I am now possessed with to him and his Heires or Assigns for Ever. And this I acknowleg to be my las Will & Testament the day and year above written and in Testimonie I have hereunto Sett my hand and Seale.

Sign: in the presence of us.

Thos: Byrn (Seal)

John Games
Francis Kirshaw
Jas: Kirshaw

On the back of the foregoing Will was wrote the following Probate Vizt

Calvt: County Nov: 6th 19: 1755. Came John Games Francis Kirshaw and James Kirshaw Subscribing Witness to the within Will being duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangelis of Almighty God depose and Say that they Saw the Testator Thos: Byrn Sign the within Will and heard him publish and Declare the Same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehention of Sound disposing mind and Memory and that they Signed their Respective Names as Witnesses to the Said Will in the Presence of the Testator and at his Request

Sworn before

Clem: Smith Depty Comty
Calvt County

5 Pr Seal

In the Name of God Amen I Willm Holland of Calvt: County being in good health of Body and of Sound and perfect mind and Memory Praise be therefore given to Almighty God, do make and Ordain this my Present last Will and Testament, in Manner and form following. that is to Say First and Principally I Commend my Soul unto the Hands of Almighty God, hoping through the

549 Merits, Death, and Passion of my Saviour Jesus Christ; to have full and free Pardon and forgiveness for all my Sins, and to Inherit everlasting Life; and my Body I Commit to the Earth, to be Decently Buryed at Discretion of my Executors hereafter named and as touching the Disposition of all Such Temporal Estate as it hath pleased Almighty God to bestow upon me, I give and Dispose thereof as followeth —

First, I will that my Debts and funeral Charges shall be paid and Discharged. Item. I give and Bequeath to my Loving Daughters Wilhelmina Holland and Mary Holland, all that part or parcel of Land Called by the Name of Abbingtons Manner, Containing about Six Hundred and Ten Acres more or Less, and also the 3 and a half part of that Tract of Land in Baltimore County Called Miners Adventure the whole Tract Containing two Hundred Acres, to Have and to Hold the above parcels of Land so as Aforesaid Bequeathed to my two Aforesaid Daughters, and their Heirs forever Reserving my Dear and Loving Wife Ann Hollands life on the Said Land and after her Decease to be Equally Devided between my two aforesaid Daughters, that part where the Dwelling House stands to my Daughter Wilhelmina Holland and the Easternmost part to my Daughter Mary Holland. Item. I give and Bequeath to my two Eldest Daughters Margaret Cole, and Sarah Young which are Married and Provided for, to each of them a Crown Sterling which is all I Conveniently can give them as they have had a Sufficiant part already —

Item, my farther Will is that what Crop of Tob. shall be either Standing, growing, or in Houses, at the time of my Decease, shall be when in a fill Condition, pack, press'd, and shipt off upon the hazard and risque of my Estate, and my Execut.rs Hereafter Named to be accountable to my Said Estate for the same, and in Case my Debts should be too Large that my Personable Estate should be thought not Sufficient to Discharge it, My Desire is that some of the Easternmost part of my Manner Land where my Son had his Quarter be put to Sale so much of it as my Execut.rs shall judge convenient for to Discharge all my Debts. Item, I give and bequeath unto my two Loving Daughters Wilhelmina Holland, and Mary Holland, all my Plate, Residue, & Remaining part of my Said Estate, Reserving to my Loving Wife Ann Holland her third part of the same, and the Remainder to be equally Devided Between my two Daughters aforesaid and Lastly, I appoint my loving Wife Ann Holland, and my Loving Friend Doc.t John Hammilton Execut.rs of this my Said Testament In Testamony whereof I have hereunto Sett my Hand and Seal this 31.st Day of March Anno Dom. 1749.

Signed, Sealed, published, and Declared, within two Sides of this Sheet to be my Last Will & Testament in the presence of us

Wilm.m Holland (Seal)

Iza: Chew
Christopher Sprakes
Joseph Wells

On the back of the aforegoing Will was wrote the following Probate Viz.t

Calv.t County Novemb.r y.e 18.th 1755. Came Francis Chew a Subscribing Witness to the foregoing Will being duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God deposes and Say that he saw the Testator William Holland Sign the foregoing Will and heard him Publish & Declear the Same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of his Apprehention of Sound Disposing mind and Memory and that he Signed his Respective Name as an Evidence to the Said Will in the Presence of the Testator and at his Request; and he further Saveth that he saw Christopher Sprakes and Joseph Wells Sign the foregoing Will in the Presence of the Testator & at his Request.

Christopher Sprakes and Joseph Wells were both Dead from time before the Testator

Sworn Before. Clem.t Smith Dep.ty Cler.k Calv.t County

550 Came the Widdow of the Dec.d and Declared that she would Stand to the Will this 18 day of Nov.br 1755.

Before Clem.t Smith Dep.ty Com.ry Calv.t County

7½ Sides

In the Name of God Amen I James Clayton of the Province of Maryland in the County of Calvert being in Perfect health and of Sound mind Memory and Understanding, but Considering the uncertainty of this transitory Life do make Publish and declare this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following. First I Will that all my Just Debts and funerall Charges be paid by my Executor hereafter Named. Also I give and bequeath unto Benjamin Bond Son of Ann Bond and his heirs for ever all my Estate both Real and Personal and that the Same shall be Sold and the Money Arrising be put to Interest untill he shall Arrive to the Age of Eighteen years. Also I will and Ordain that the Executor of this my last Will and Testament for and towards that performance of my Said Testament Shall with all Convenient Speed after my decease bargain and Sell all my Lands &c. and for the doing executing and finishing whereof I do by these presence give and grant to my Said Executor full power and Authority to grant bargain and Sell all my Lands to any person or persons, and their heirs for ever. And I hereby Nominate and appoint Berj Mackall Junior Executor of this my Last Will and Testament. In Witness whereof I have hereunto Sett my hand and Seal this 16th day of May 1755.

James Clayton (Seal)

Signed, Sealed, published and Declared in the Presence of us

George Ross
Barbara Mackall
Mary her mark Crane

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was wrote the following Probate Viz.t

Calv.t County Nov.br 19th 1755. Came George Ross Barbara Mackall and Mary Crane Subscribing Witness to the within Will being duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God depose and Say that they Saw the Testator James Clayton Sign the within Will and heard him Publish and Declare the Same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the Time of his so doing he was to the Best of their Apprehention of Sound disposing mind and Memory and that they Signed their respective Names as Evedences to the Said Will in the Presence of the Testator and at his Request.

Sworn before Clem.t Smith Dep.ty Com.ry Calv.t County

4 Sides

In the Name of God Amen, I John Cox of Cecil County in the Province of Maryland being Sick and weak of Body, but of perfect and Sound Mind and Memory thanks be given to God for the Same and calling to mind the Mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to dye, Do make and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament Principally and first of all I give and recommend my Soul into the hand of Almighty God that gave it nothing doubting at the general Resurrection but to receive the Same again by the mighty power of God and my Body to the Earth to be buried in a Christian and decent fine

651. Manner at the Discretion of my Executors after Named and as touching such worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this Life I give devise and dispose of the same in the following Manner and form, Imprimis I will that all my Lawfull Debts and funeral Charges be paid out of my Estate. Item. I give and bequeath unto my Son John All that Tract of Land called Jamaica and that Tract of Land called Berbadoes and that Tract of Land called Octodon now being Tended by me in the Nature of one Plantation and my Dwelling Plantation being three Tracts of Land Namely Mathiason's Point, Corneliouson, and Matson's Range or by whatsoever name or Names the same be called it being Expressly my desire to give unto my Said Son John all my Lands in Cecil County on Sasafras River To hold to him his Heirs and Assigns for ever. my will is that my Said Son John have his Estate and enjoy it at Eighteen Years of Age. But in Case my Said Son John Shall happen to dye leaving no Lawfull Issue Then I give and bequeath the aforesaid Tracts of Land unto my two Youngest Daughters Rosamond and Sophia equally to be divided between them and to their Heirs and Assigns for ever. But if either of them Shoule happen to dye and leaving no lawfull Issue then I bequeath her part to my Daughter Rebecca to her her Heirs and Assigns forever She droping her share of Canadia to my Daughter Hester. Item I give and bequeath unto my two Eldest Daughters Hester and Rebecca all my Lands in Kent County that is unsold called Canadia to be Equally divided between them To hold to them their Heirs and Assigns forever. But in Case they or either of them Should happen to dye and leaving no Lawfull Issue Then I give and bequeath the part or Share of her or them that dyes to my two youngest Daughters aforesaid Rosamond and Sophia and to the Survivor of them their Heirs and Assigns for ever. Item I give and bequeath unto my said two Youngest Daughters Rosamond and Sophia Fifty pounds a piece Current money of the Province aforesaid To be paid to them when they Arrives at the Age's of Sixteen Years each or Day of Marriage which Shall first happen Item. I do hereby constitute and appoint my Exe:rs hereinafter Nam'd to convey and make over all the Lands that I sold out of my Land called Canadia afores: to Such persons to whom I sold it and do hereby confirm such Conveyance or Conveyances. Lastly I do hereby Ordain Constitute and appoint my Loving Wife Susannah My good Friend Henry Ward of Cecil County aforesaid Gentleman and my Said Son John Executors of this my Last Will and Testament: Hereby revoking all former Wills and Powers by me at any time heretofore made Ratifying and Confirming this and no other to be my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have to this my last Will and Testament Set my hand and Seal this third day of September in the year of our Lord One Thousand Seven hundred and Fifty five.

John Cox (Seal)

Signed Sealed published and declared to be the last Will and Testament of the Testator in the presence of us who have Subscribed our names as Witnesses at his request and in the presence of each other.

Ja: Down
William his W mark Cole
Hezekiah Cooper

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was wrote as followeth Viz:t

Cecil County ss: I hereby relinquish all my right title and Interest in the Executorship of the within Will Witness my hand and Seal this 18th day of Octob:r 1755.

Test.
Jno Ward

Henry Ward (Seal)

Cecil County ss: October y: 13th 1755. Hezekiah Cooper and William Cole two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will being duely and Solemnly Sworn on the holy Evangels of Almighty God depose and Say. that they Saw the Testator John Cox Sign and Seal the within Will, and heard him publish and declare the Same to be his Last Will & Testament

552 That at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of Sound and disposing Mind and Memory and that they Subscribed their respective Names as Witnesses to the Said Will in the presence of the Said Testator and at his Request — and they further depose that they Saw James Down the other Subscribing Witness (whose Deposition was not taken by means of his being at this time a Servant lately imported into this Province under Sentence of Transportation) Sign the Same Will in the presence and at the Request of the Testator

M: Earle Dy. Comy
Cecil County

9 Sides

In the Name of God Amen the third day of September in the year of our Lord God one thousand Seven hundred and fifty five I John Augustine Lawson of Cecil County in the Province of Maryland being Sick and weak in body but of perfect mind and Memory thanks be Given to Almighty God for the Same, and Calling to mind the uncertainty of Humane Life and knowing that it is appointed by God for all men once to Die, do make this my last Will and Testament, that is to Say Principally and first of all recommend my Soul into the Hands of God that gave it, and for my Body I Commit it to the Earth from whence it was taken to be buried in a Christian manner at the Discretion of my Executors hereafter Nominated and as touching Such worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased Almighty God to bless me in this Life with, I do order give Demise and Dispose of in the manner following

Imprimis. I will that a Due Appraisment be made of all my Personal Estate and all the Just Debts that I owe to any Man be fully Satisfied and paid — Item I Give bequeath and Demise to my Brother Peter Lawson his Heirs and Assigns the Residue or Remainder of all my Estate both Real and Personall — I Likewise do by this my last Will and Testament Constitute appoint make and Ordain my Said Brother Peter Lawson and my loving Wife Mary Lawson to be whole and Sole Joynt Executors of this my last Will and Testament, hereby Revoking and Disanulling all former Wills and bequeats by me heretofore made and allowing Ratifying and Confirming this only to be my last Will and Testament; In Testimony whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal the day and Date first above Written

Signed Sealed Published and Declared in Presence of
Wm Savin
~~[illegible]~~
Isaac Hamm
Alexand: Rice

Jno Aug: Lawson (Seal)

Cecil County Sc: I hereby Certifie that I will not abide by the above Will, that I choose to Stand by my thirds agreeable to an act of Assembly of the Province of Maryland in Such Case made and provided — Witness my hand and Seal this 18th day of Oct: 1755

Test.
Jno Ward

her
Mary ~~[illegible]~~ Lawson (Seal)
mark

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was wrote the following Probate Viz: Cecil County Sc: October 18th 1755. William Savin and Alexander Rice two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will being duely and Solemnly on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God, depose and Say that they Saw the Testator John Augustine Lawson Sign and Seal the within Will, and heard him publish and Declare the Same to be his last Will and Testament that at the time of his

553 So doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of Sound and disposing mind and Memory that they saw Isaac Hamm Decd the other Subscribing Witness sign his name as Witness thereto and that they Subscribed their respective Names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his request —

Mt Earle Dy Comy
Cecil County

5 Pieces

In the Name of God Amen I John Penington of Cecil County (Son of John) being Sick of Body but of perfect & Sound Memory thanks be to God and knowing the Certainty of Death do make and ordain this present Writing my last Will and Testament, First and principally I recommend my Soul to Almighty God and my Body to be buried in a decent Manner at the Discretion of my Executor hereafter Mentioned, and as touching such Worldly Goods as it hath pleased God to bless me with I give and dispose of in the following Manner, after my Just Debts are paid — Imprimis, I give and bequeath unto my loving Daughter Susannah one Gold Ring and a large Silver Spoon. Item I give and bequeath unto my loving Daught Sarah one Gold Ring. Item I give and bequeath unto my loving Daughter Rebecca one Gold Ring. Item. I give and bequeath unto my loving Daughter Alice one Gold Ring. Item I give and bequeath unto my Loving Children, John Ward Penington, Susannah, Sarah, Rebecca, Alice, & Cassia all my Personal Estate to be equally divided & payd them severally as they arrive at age my Just Debts being first paid Item my will intent & desire is that my Son John Ward have my Negro Girl Named Bridget at the Appraisment to be accounted for as part of his share of my Estate. Item my Will intent & desire is that my Daughter Susannah have my Negro Girl Named Nan, at the Appraisment to be Accounted for as part of her share of my Estate; and that my Daughter Sarah have my Negro Woman Named Dinah, at the Appraisment to be Accounted for as part of her share of my Estate. Item. my intent Will & Desire is that my Executor hereafter Mentioned have the care and Education of me Dear Children, and that my Son be kept to School untill he is fourteen Year Old and then Bound out to Some good Trade untill he arrives to the Age of Twenty Years. and Lastly I do Nominate Constitute and Appoint my Dear and Loving Brother Samuel Penington my whole and Sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament, desiring him to Sell and dispose of all such part of my Estate; as Vendue, as may be thought Necessary for the Support of my Children and Discharge of my Just Debts, and Such other part as Beds and Pewter, that remains, desire that they may be kept and payd my Children at the Appraisment In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this Second Day of September Anno Domini Seventeen Hundred fifty and five.

Signed, Sealed, Published
and Declared in Presence of }
Henry Ward Pearce
John Beedle Junr
William Beedle

John Penington (Seal)

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was wrote the following Probate Viz

Cecil County ss. Novr 25th 1755. John Beedle Junr and William Beedle two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the above Will being duely and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God depose and Say that they Saw the Testator John Penington Sign the above Will and heard him publish and declare the Same to be his last Will and Testament that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of Sound and disposing mind and Memory and that they and Henry Ward Pearce the other Subscribing Witness Sign their respective Names as Witnesses to the within Will in the presence of the said Testator & at his request

Mt Earle Dy Comy
Cecil County

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554 In the Name of God Amen. I John McDermott of Frederick Town in Cecil County and Province of Maryland being Sick and weak of body but of Sound and disposing mind and memory do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament hereby ratifying and confirming it as Such, and revoking every former Will or Wills heretofore by me made.

First. It is my Will and I hereby give to my Wife Sarah McDermott the Sole use, profitt benifit and advantage of my whole Estate both real and personal, Save my wearing Apparel, for two Years to commence from my Death, at the expiration of which Term, She keeping good the principal and the Tenements on my two Lotts in Said Town hereafter mentioned in Sufficient Repair, barring losses by fire Death or other unavoidable accident, my Will and desire is, that my Said two Lotts and Houses in Frederick Town afd. with the Appurtenances know and distinguish'd in the plan thereof by the Numbers 33 & 34 shall be equally divided between my Wife Sarah and my two Nephews Peter and Thomas McDermott Sons of my Brother Timothy McDermott deceased, that is to Say one third of them to my Said Wife for and during the Term of her natural Life, and after her Decease to my two Nephews Dominick and Charles McDermott Sons of my Said Brother Timothy to them and their Heirs and Assigns forever, and the other two thirds to my aforesaid two Nephews Peter and Thomas McDermott Severally to them their Heirs and Assigns forever. Secondly. I order and direct that Six pounds Current Money of Maryland shall be paid by my Executrix hereafter mentioned to Mary Grace Daughter of Richard Grace who formerly lived on Lowes Island in Cecil County afd. if she can be found, having near that value of her Fathers property in my hands, which his Death hindered my ever accounting with him for. Thirdly. I order and direct that if any either or all of my three Brothers, now Supposed to be in Ireland, should come into this Province before the Aforementioned two years are expired, or before my personal Estate shall be divided as hereafter directed, that then and in Such Case my Executrix shall pay to any either or all of them who shall so come Sixty Pounds Current Money of the Province of Pensylvania each out of my Personal Estate. Fourthly I give to my Nephew Thomas McDermott my Silver Shoe and knee Buckles, and to my Said Nephew Peter McDermott and to Philip McDermott of George Town I give all my wearing Apparel to be Equally divided between them afoon as conveniently may be after my Death. Fifthly after the expiration of the aforementioned two years my Will and Desire is that my said Wife Sarah McDermott shall have one full third of my Personal Estate first deducting my Just Debts and funeral Charges, and after that and all the aforesaid Legacys are paid, if by Said Brothers coming as aforesaid they are all paid if not after payment of the rest only, my Will and desire is that the residue of my personal Estate shall be equally divided as near as may be in quantity and quality between my said three Nephews Peter Charles and Thomas McDermott Sons of my Said Brother Timothy. Sixthly. I order and direct that all Accounts I have standings in my Books against my Nephew Dominick McDermott be eras'd out and that he be thereby forever discharged from the payment thereof or any part thereof and that the said accounts be not esteem'd or reckoned any part of my personal Estate. Seventhly and Lastly. I hereby appoint ordain and Constitute my loving Wife Sarah McDermott my whole and Sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament under the direction of my two friends Michael Earle and Isaac Freeman, who I hereby also appoint my Trustees to See this my Will executed and perform'd and also to determine all and every difference and dispute whatsoever that may arise between my Said Wife and my Relations aforesaid either touching the division of my real or personal Estate or any other matter or thing relative to this my last Will and Testament, and shall also direct what part of my Said personal Estate my Said Wife shall dispose of and turn into money either for the more easy division of my Said Estate, or to enlarge her profit and adv

for the said two Years she is to keep the same in Possession. In Witness that this and no other is my Testament and last Will I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this nineteenth Day of July in the Year of our Lord Seventeen hundred and fifty five

Sign'd Seald published and declared by the Testator to be his last Will and Testament in our presence who sign our names as Witnesses thereto in his presence and at his Request

Jno. McDermott (Seal)

All the foot of the aforegoing Will was wrote the following Probat Viz.t

Thomas Wroth
Nichl. Money
John Sewell

Cecil County ss. Aug.t 28.th 1755. Thomas Wroth, John Sewell and Nicholas Money the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being duely and Solemnly sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God, depose and say that they saw the Testator John McDermott Sign and seal the foregoing Will, and heard him Publish and declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehention of Sound and disposing mind and memory, and that they Subscribed their respective Names as Witnesses to the said Will in the Presence of the said Testator and at his Request

Mt Earle Dy Comy
Cecil County

9½ Sides

In the Name of God Amen I John Tree of Cecil County in the Province of Maryland Planter being of Body but of Sound and disposing mind and memory Do hereby make this my last Will and Testament in Manner and form following Viz.t

Imprimis. I Bequeath my Soul to God and my Body to be decently Interr'd at the discretion of my Executors hereafter named. Item. after my Just Debts paid and Funeral Expences discharged my Will is that my Beloved Wife Jane Tree shall enjoy the Residue of my Estate Real and Personal during her Natural Life hoping she will make no unecessary waste of my said Estate. Item. After the Decease of my said Beloved Wife Jane Tree I give and Bequeath all my Said Estate Real and Personal unto my Beloved Friends Edward Veazey Son of John Veazey Senior and Robert Walmsley to be equally divided between them to them their Heirs and Assigns forever and I do hereby Constitute and appoint my Said Wife Jane and my said Friends Edward Veazey and Robert Walmsley Executors of this my last Will and Testament Revoking all former Wills by me heretofore made Confirming this to be last Will and Testament. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this twenty Second day of February in the year of our Lord Christ Seventeen hundred fifty 8

Sign'd Sealed published and declared by the Testator as his last Will and Testament in the presence of us the Subscribers

John Tree (Seal)

All the foot of the aforegoing Will was wrote the following Probat Viz.t

Barth.o Etherington
Ephraim Price
Richard his mark Wallace

Cecil County ss. July 26.th 1755. Bartholomew Etherington, Ephraim Price and Richard Wallace the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being duely and Solemnly sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God depose and Say that they Saw the Testator John

556 Tree Sign and seal the foregoing Will and heard him publish and declare the Same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of Sound and disposing mind and memory and that they Subscribed their respective Names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his request —

Mc Earle D^y Com^ry
Cecil County

3 Sides

I David Mc Clellan Student being Sick and weak in body but of perfect mind and memory, do by these presents make and ordain my last Will and Testament in the manner and form following

1 Imprimis. the Plantation in means with David Clark, I allow, to be Sold and the money to be Divided Equally among the four Children of my Aunt Margret Hamilton Deceased —

2 Item. I bequeath the Plantation at Marsh Creek to my Cousin David Mc Clellan. —

3 Item. My Negro wench Phebe to go free after the Expiration of three Years, which time I allow her to Stay wth Mrs Mc Kennan — 4. Item her Child to be given to David Clark. —

5 Item. Ann Clark to have the care and oversight of all the goods and chattles untill Ellin Hamilton comes to Age and then to decend to her. —

6 Lastly. I Constitute Mr William Mc Kennan and David Clark to be the Execut^rs of y^s my last Will and Testament.

Sign'd Seal'd & Deliver'd in presence of us. —

Willm Mc Kennan
James Mackey
Ma^t Wilson

Dav^d his mark Mc Clellan (seal)

Cecil County ss. I hereby relinquish all my right title and Interest to the Exor ship of the within Will Witness my hand this 26. of Nov. 1755. —

Wm Mc Kennan

Cecil County ss. November 26th 1755. William Mc Kennan James Mackey and Mathew Wilson the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will being duely and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God depose and Say that they Saw the Testator David Mc Clellan Sign the within Will and heard him publish and declare the Same to be his last Will and Testament that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of sound and disposing mind and memory and that they Subscribed their respective Names as Witnesses to the within Will in the presence of the Testator and at his request

Mc Earle D^y Com^ry
Cecil County

3½ Sides

Maryland ss. I George Smith of St Lukes parish in Queen Anns County in the Province aforesaid, being at the time of the Execution hereof of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding. Do make this my last Will and Testament as followeth to Wit —

Imprimis. I Give and Bequeath unto my Wife Rebecca Smith. this bed I lie on, with Sheets blankets Rugg bedstead and cord. I give unto my Wife Rebecca Smith. all my Right of the Plantation I live on, it being Manner Land. Item I give and bequeath unto my Son George Smith Twenty Shillings Current Money of Maryland. Item I give and bequeath unto my Son Charles Smith my bay horse called Porrings Saddle and bridle —

557 Item. I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Rebecca Price one Tea Kettle now in her possession one tewhandle pewter purranger. Item. I give and bequeath unto my Daughter inlaw Catharain Chaires. one Cow calf called Cherries Calf. Item. I give and bequeath unto my Son Charles Smith, all my Personal Estate goods and Chattles I shall have at the time of my Death. after my Just Debts. Legacies and Wifes thirds are paid, and I do hereby Constitute my Wife Rebecca Smith. and my Son Charles Smith. Executors of this my last Will and Testament. and lastly I do hereby revoke and declare Void all former and other Will or Wills by me at any time heretofore made. In Witness whereof I have hereunto Sett my hand and Seal this twenty first day of September Anno Dom. 1755.

George Smith (Seal)

Signed Sealed and published in the presence of us.

John Price.
James [Layne his mark
Matthew Dockery

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was wrote the following
Probat Vizt.
Queen Ann's County Sct.
The 13th Novr. 1755. } John Price James Lane and Matthew Dockery the Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will being duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God do depose and say, That they saw the Testator George Smith sign the same Will and heard him publish and declare it to be his last Will and Testament. That at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of Sound and disposing mind and memory, and that they did Subscribe their respective Names and Mark as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his request.

Sworn Before

Wm Tilghman Depty. Comty of Queen Anns County.

4 Pies

In the Name of God Amen I John Cheshire of Queen Ann's County in the Province of Maryland Planter being Sick and weak of body, but of Sound mind and memoey thanks be to Allmighty for the same. Do make and Ordain this my last Will and Testament in Manner and form following (Viz.) first and principally I give my Soul unto Allmighty God, hopeing through the Merits of my blessed Saviour Jesus Christ for a Joyfull Resurrection and as for what Worldly Estate it hath been pleased the Allmighty God to Lend me I give in Manner following.

Item, I give unto my Daughter Mary Smith one black horse Called Jack in full of her part of my Estate. Item I give unto my Daughter Rachell Cheshire three pounds Current Money and no more. Item, I give unto my Daughter Rebecca Cheshire three pounds Current Money and no more. Item, I give unto my Son Thomas Bailey Cheshire three pounds Current Money and no more. Item. After my Just Debts are paid, and my Wifes thirds, and the Above Legacys and Funeral Charges, I give all the Rest of my Estate to be Equally Divided amongst my four Children (Viz.) John Cheshire, Sarah Cheshire, William Cheshire, and Elizabeth Cheshire, According to Appraisment. Item. I Desire my beloved and trusty friends Thomas and Mary Dockery may have the Care of my Daughter Elisabeth and what belongs to her untill she arrives to the age of sixteen years. Item I leave my Son William Cheshire to be free and Clear to act for himself

539 In the Name of God Amen I Mary Jameson Wido of Charles County doth make this my Last Will and Testament and is as follows.

Imprimis I give and bequeath to my Son Thomas Jameson, Senr the Sum of three thousand five hundred pounds of Tobacco to be paid to him by my Son Joseph Jameson and my Son Benj Jameson as it shall be hereafter mentioned. Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Mary Queen, one negro Boy named Charles and the large Iron Kettle and my large Silver Challis and the Red State of Church Stuff and my bed and furniture belonging to it and half my Cattel and the third part of my Sheep and one Silver Spoon. Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Elizth Jameson, One negro Woman named Cate and my Case of Drawers and the Book called the Holy Lord and one Silver Spoon and the pewter Challis. Item I give and bequeath to my daughter Martha Matthews the great Iron pot one Silver Spoon, one pewter Bason. Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Ann Spalding the use or profit of a negro man named Pompey during her life and after I give the said negro to my Grandson Henry Spalding and likewise give her the use or profit of a negro Girl named Hanne during her life and after my Gran Daughter Mary Spalding her and her Increase, But my desire is that the said negroes shall be in the Care of Marshall Queen during the life of my said Daughter Ann Spalding and I give my Daughter Ann Spalding the third part of my Sheep, and the fourth part of my Cattel and the fifth part of my Hogs and one dish Six plates and one bed and one Silver Spoon Item I give and bequeath to my Son Joseph Jameson, the use of my negro man, named Ben that is of my Son Benj Jameson, like a negro man of mine named James, better if not then the use of the said negro James to my son Joseph during his his life but paying the sum of two thousand five hundred pounds of Tobacco to my Son Thomas Jameson in two years after my Death and after his Death the said Negro I give to my Granddaughter Mary Jameson and I give him the use of the third part of my Sheep and the fourth part of my Cattel and one bed with covering and after the said Joseph Jameson Death the said Challis to be Equally divided among his Children Except Mary Jameson. I give and bequeath to my Son Benj Jameson, one negro Girl named Bep but my desire is that my Son Benj Jameson shall pay to my Son Thomas Jameson the Sum of One thousand pounds of Tobacco the year after my Death. And likewise give my Son Benj Jameson my Clock and my Desk and the half of my Hogs, one Bed and my little Silver Challis Item my desire is that Molatter Charles shall live with which of my Children he shall Choose to live with Item the Remainder part of my Estate both Real and personal after my just Debts be paid I give and bequeath to my Daughter Mary Queen to her and her heirs forever, and lastly I appoint Marshall Queen and Benj Jameson Executors and Executrix of this my last Will and Testament Revoking and Disannulling all other Wills by me made and confirming this to be my last Will and Testament hereof I have hereunto set my hand and fixed my Seal this 28th Day of May 1755.

Signed Sealed Delivered in the presence of us. Mary Jameson (Seal)

555 and to Receive his part of my Estate when he arrives at the Age of Eighteen years.
and Lastly I appoint my beloved Wife Sarah Cheshire and my Son John Cheshire my Executors
of this my Last Will in Witness whereof I have hereunto Sett my hand and Affixed my Seal
this fifth day of November Anno Domini 1755

Signed and Delivered as his Last
Will and Testament in presence of us

Anne Cox
Martha Cox
Thos. Wilkinson

John Cheshire (Seal)

On the Back of the foregoing Will was wrote the following Probat Viz.

Queen Ann's County Sc.
The 20th Nov.r 1755. } Anne Cox Martha Cox Thomas Wilkinson
the subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will being duely and Solemnly sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God depose and Say that they saw the Testator Sign the Same Will and heard him publish and declare it to be his Last Will and Testament and that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of Sound and disposing mind and Memory

Sworn before me.

W.m Tilghman Dep.t Contry
of Queen Ann's County

4 Folios

Aug.t 9.th 9.th 1755. In the Name of God Amen, I Sarah Hayes of Queen Ann's County in the Province of Maryland. Do make this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following. Imprimas, I Give and Bequeath unto my friend John Tillotson all my Real and Personal Estate of what Nature soever I have a Right to or may have a Right by the last Will and Testament of my Deaseased Husband John Hayes the same to be peaceable and Quietly possessed by the said John Tillotson and his heirs and Assigns forever. I doe Nominate and Appoint my friend John Tillotson to be my sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament

Sign'd Seal'd and Deliver'd
Befor us

James Chetham
Edward Chetham
Robert his D. Green
mark

Sarah her Hais (Seal)
mark

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was wrote the following Probat Viz.

Queen Ann's County Sc.
The 26th Nov.r 1755. I James Chetham Edward Chetham and Robert Green the subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will being duly and Solemnly sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God do depose and say. That they saw the Testatrix Sarah Hais sign the same Will and heard her publish and declare it to be her last Will and Testament. That at the Time of her so doing she was to the best of their Apprehension of sound and disposing mind and Memory and that they did subscribe their respective Names and mark as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testatrix and at her Request.

Sworn before.

W.m Tilghman Dep.t Contry
of Queen Ann's County

2 Folios

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James Boarman } On the back of the aforegoing Will was wrote
Joshua Sanders } the following probate — Viz.
William Queen. } Charles County Sc. 22nd September 1755. Came
James Boarman, Joshua Sanders and William Queen, the three Subscri
bing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and Offered to Prove the Same in due form
of Law. But Thomas Jenings, Heir at Law to the Deceased, objecting to
its being proved, it is Referred to their Honours the Comrs General

Dan: Jenifer. Dep. Co. of
Charles County.

Charles County Sc. 30th 10ber 1755. James Boarman Joshua Sanders and
William Queens, the three Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being
duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels do depose and say that they
saw the Testatrix Mary James sign and seal the within Will and hear
her publish and Declare the same to be her Last Will and Testament and
that at the time of her so doing was to the best of their apprehension of
sound & Disposing mind & memory.

Sworn before Dan Jenifer Dep. Co. of Chas County.

In the Name of God Amen I Peacock Bigger of Charles Towne in
Cecil County and province of Maryland being at this time (Thro Grace) and weak
of Body yet of sound and Disposing mind and memory, for which Blessing I
render to God my most unfeigned Thanks do make and ordain this my last Will
and Testament in manner and form following That is to say Imprimis I
desire and order that all my Just debts and funeral Expences be first fully
paid and satisfyed. Item I give and bequeath unto my dear friend Mr Redmond
Congingham of Philadelphia Merchant Fifty pounds current money as a
small but Grateful acknowledgment for the many Kindnesses received at his
hands. Item I give and bequeath unto the Reverend Mr Samuel Finley Five
pounds current money for a Sermon to be preached by him at my Funeral
Item I give and bequeath unto my Friend Mr Jacob Shoemaker of Philadelphia
Twenty five pounds current money for the like acknowledgment as that to
Mr Congingham. Item I give devise and bequeath unto my dear Wife
Margaret Bigger her heirs and assigns for Ever all the Rest and Residue
of my Estate both Real and personal which shall remain after Payment
of the aforesaid Expences, Debts and Legacies And Lastly I do hereby Constitute
and appoint my said Dear Wife Margaret Bigger sole and Sole Executrix of this my Testament and Last Will hereby Revoking all former
Wills by me at any time heretofore made and Ratifying and Confirming
this and this Only as my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof
I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seal this twenty Eighth
day of November in the year of our Lord Christ Seventeen hundred and
Fifty five

Peacock Bigger (Seal)

Signed Sealed published and Declared by the Testator as and for his Testament and last Will in the presence and hearing of us who are present and severally subscribe the same as Witnesses thereto at his Request. The word (Twenty) being first interlined in the presence of Wm Jacob Shoemaker

Benja. Bradford, Ed. Andrews.

Matt. Wordley.

deposes and say that they saw the Testator Peacock Bigger sign the within Will and heard him publish and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of sound and Disposing mind and memory and that they subscribed their respective names as witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his Request. and further that they saw Edward Andrews the other subscribing Witness subscribe his name as a witness to the said Will in the Testator's presence and at his Request.

Wm Earle D. Clerk, Cecil County

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At the foot of the aforegoing Will was wrote the following Probate Ordr.

Cecil County Sc. December 19. 1755

Benjamin Bradford and Matthias Wordley, two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will being duly and solemnly sworn on the Holy Evangels of almighty God deposes and say that they saw the Testator Peacock Bigger sign the within will and heard him publish and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of sound and Disposing mind and memory and that they subscribed their respective names as witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his Request. and further that they saw Edward Andrews the other subscribing Witness subscribe his name as a witness to the said Will in the Testator's presence and at his Request

Wm Earle D. Clerk, Cecil County

In the Name of God Amen the month day of September in the year of Our Lord 1755. I William Armstrong Lower Sd the County of Cecil being very sick and weak in Body but of perfect mind and memory do appoint and ordain this my last Will and Testament in the manner as follows. in the first place I commit my Soul to God that Gave it and my Body to the Earth to be buried in a Christian manner at the discretion of my Executors Imprimis. It is my Last Will and I do order that in the first place, all my Just debts and funeral Charges be paid and satisfied. Item I give and Bequeath to my Son Robert the plantation with all the Conveniences thereof and to Come into full possession at Christmas Item I give and give my moveable Estate to my Sons George and my Daughter Sarah and my Daughter Francesses and my Daughter Rachel to be Equally Devided between them I appoint and Ordain William Brown and James Smith to be my sole and Sole Executors of this my Last Will and Testament Ratifying and Confirming this and no other to be my last Will and Testament In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal the day and year above written

James Cunningham
James Dickson his mark
Mary Butcher

William Armstrong (Seal)

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was wrote the following Probate Ordr. Cecil County Sc. December 3d 1755. James Cunningham James Dickson and Mary Butcher the subscribing Witnesses

to the above will beeing duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God. deposes (and Says that They Saw the Testator William Armstrong. Signe the above Will (and heard him publish And Declare the same to be his Last Will (and Testament that at the time of his So doing he was to the best of their apprehension of Sound (and) Disposing mind (and memory. And that they Subscribed their respective names as Witnesses to the Said Will in the presence of the Said Testator (and at his request - Sworn Before

W Earle. D. C. Cour.y
Cecil County

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